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#### **HOUSE NUMBERS VITAL IN AN EMERGENCY**

Member for Ipswich, Rachel Nolan is urging residents not to put their lives at risk by having hard to see house numbers.

Ms Nolan said people should ask themselves if their house number difficult to see from the road.

“If you needed an ambulance or fire crew, especially at night, could the crews easily spot your house number from a passing vehicle?”

“Garden plants may have become overgrown and obscured the numbers, or worse still they could have fallen off,” Ms Nolan said.

“All these problems could cost you or a loved one valuable minutes in an emergency.”

Ms Nolan said the Queensland Ambulance Service advises that when you phone triple zero you should give as much information as you can to the operator.

“If you live near a shop, traffic lights or even an Australia Post box, let the operator know,” she said.

“If you live on a battleaxe block, let them know, as that will make finding you a lot easier.

“And if you can, have someone waiting out the front to wave the ambulance down.

Ms Nolan also said more remote properties also need clear identification visible from the road.

“Anything that will help paramedics and firefighters find your house quicker could save your life,” she said.

“Seconds count in an emergency and people can help paramedics or firefighters get there quicker by making sure they are easy to find.”