

# **Minutes of Proceedings**

## **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

# WEDNESDAY, 30 AUGUST 2023 1.00pm

# 1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 1.00pm pursuant to order.

The President, Hon Alanna Clohesy, took the Chair.

Prayers and an Acknowledgement of Country were read.

# 2. Papers

The following Papers were laid on the Table by —

# **Leader of the House**

Reports —

Taxation Administration Act 2003 — Report to Parliament in accordance with section 134 of the Act — five-year period to 28 June 2023......2468

# **Minister for Emergency Services**

Addendums —

Main Roads WA — Annual Report (2021-22) ......2469

# 3. Mismanagement of the planning operation of Western Australia's public health system

Motion No. 12 having been called, Hon Tjorn Sibma, pursuant to notice, moved — That this House —

- (a) express its deep concern for the Cook Labor Government's continued mismanagement of the planning and operation of Western Australia's public health system;
- (b) laments the Government's failure to appropriately fund child development services;
- (c) condemns the Minister for Health's dangerous decision to ignore the Government's own business case into the new Women and Babies Hospital which recommends QEII Medical Centre as the preferred site; and
- (d) in respect of (c), urges the Government to reflect on the advice of health experts, clinicians and advocacy groups and immediately reverse the decision.

Debate ensued.

Motion — put.

The Council divided.

# Ayes (12)

Hon Martin Aldridge Hon Tjorn Sibma Hon Peter Collier Hon Dr Steve Thomas Hon Ben Dawkins Hon Neil Thomson Hon Donna Faragher Hon Wilson Tucker Hon Steve Martin Hon Dr Brian Walker Hon Sophia Moermond Hon Nick Goiran (Teller)

# Noes (19)

Hon Klara Andric Hon Shelley Payne Hon Stephen Pratt Hon Dan Caddy Hon Sandra Carr Hon Martin Pritchard Hon Stephen Dawson Hon Samantha Rowe Hon Kate Doust Hon Rosie Sahanna Hon Sue Ellery Hon Matthew Swinbourn Hon Lorna Harper Hon Dr Sally Talbot Hon Jackie Jarvis Hon Pierre Yang Hon Ayor Makur Chuot Hon Peter Foster (Teller)

Hon Kyle McGinn

Motion thus negatived.

#### 4. **Consideration of Committee Reports**

Pursuant to order for the consideration of Committee Reports.

### In Committee

(Hon Stephen Pratt in the Chair)

# Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations — Report 87 — Consideration of the 2022-23 Budget Estimates

Debate resumed on the motion of Hon Peter Collier, That the Report be noted. Debate interrupted and postponed pursuant to SO 110(2A).

The Acting President resumed the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the —

Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations — Report 87 — Consideration of the 2022-23 Budget Estimates, made progress, and postponed further consideration to the next sitting.

Report adopted.

#### **Order of Business** 5.

Ordered — That Orders of the Day Nos 1, Shire of Wyalkatchem Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2022 — Disallowance, 2, Shire of Wyalkatchem Cats Local Law 2022 — Disallowance, 3, Shire of Wyalkatchem Public Places and Local Government Property Local Law 2022 — Disallowance, and, 4, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2023 — Disallowance, be taken after Order of the Day No. 10, Liquor Control Amendment (Banned Drinkers Register) Bill 2023. (Leader of the House).

# 6. Abortion Legislation Reform Bill 2023

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the second reading of this Bill. Debate resumed.

## 7. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

Hon Ben Dawkins, by leave, tabled documents in relation to a question without notice he asked of the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Planning. (Tabled Paper 2470).

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Energy, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Dr Steve Thomas.

The Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Sophia Moermond.

The Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Dr Steve Thomas.

# 8. Abortion Legislation Reform Bill 2023

Debate resumed on the second reading of this Bill (see item 6 above). Interruption pursuant to order.

# 9. Corruption, Crime and Misconduct Amendment Bill 2023

The President reported the receipt of Message No. 119 from the Legislative Assembly forwarding the Bill for concurrence.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney General moved, That the Bill be read a first time.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney General moved, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney General tabled an Explanatory Memorandum relating to the Bill. (Tabled Paper 2471).

Debate stands adjourned.

# 10. Adjournment

There being no Members' Statements, the Council adjourned at 6.26pm until Thursday, 31 August 2023 at 10.00am.

# Members present during the day's proceedings

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Colin de Grussa.

**SAM HASTINGS** 

Clerk of the Legislative Council

**HON ALANNA CLOHESY MLC** 

President of the Legislative Council