



**THIRTY-NINTH PARLIAMENT**

**REPORT 34**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND  
PRIVILEGES**

**SPECIAL REPORT:  
TEMPORARY ORDERS 2015 — EXTENSION**

Presented by Hon Barry House MLC (Chair)

June 2015

## STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND PRIVILEGES

**Date first appointed: 24 May 2001**

### **Terms of Reference:**

The following is an extract from Schedule 1 of the Legislative Council Standing Orders:

#### **“1. Procedure and Privileges Committee**

- 1.1 *A Procedure and Privileges Committee* is established.
- 1.2 The Committee consists of 5 Members, including the President and the Chair of Committees, and any Members co-opted by the Committee whether generally or in relation to a particular matter. The President is the Chair, and the Chair of Committees is the Deputy Chair, of the Committee.
- 1.3 With any necessary modifications, SO 163 applies to a co-opted Member.
- 1.4 The Committee is to keep under review the law and custom of Parliament, the rules of procedure of the Council and its Committees, and recommend to the Council such alterations in that law, custom, or rules that, in its opinion, will assist or improve the proper and orderly transaction of the business of the Council or its Committees.”

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## REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND PRIVILEGES

### IN RELATION TO THE TEMPORARY ORDERS 2015 — EXTENSION

#### 1 REFERENCE

- 1.1 On Wednesday, 26 November 2014 the Legislative Council resolved to adopt Temporary Orders for 2015 that were to apply up to and including 3 July 2015. The Temporary Orders were adopted pursuant to the recommendation of the *Procedure and Privileges Committee* (“the PPC”) contained in Report No. 33.<sup>1</sup>

#### 2 TEMPORARY ORDERS — 2015

- 2.1 The PPC agreed that the temporary nature of the new arrangements would provide a suitable method to review and evaluate the success or otherwise of the Temporary Orders. The PPC is of the view that the 9 sitting weeks during which the Temporary Orders have operated has not been a sufficient period to evaluate the success or otherwise of the Temporary Orders.
- 2.2 The PPC therefore considers that the Temporary Orders should be extended to the end of the calendar year so as to provide an adequate period to assess their operation and effectiveness.
- 2.3 A review of the Temporary Orders will be conducted by the PPC prior to the end of the calendar year. The results of this review will be considered by the PPC when making any further recommendations to the House regarding the Temporary Orders.

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<sup>1</sup> Legislative Council Standing Committee on Procedure and Privileges, Western Australia, *Report No. 33 — Temporary Orders — 2015* (2014).

**3 RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 Accordingly, the PPC recommends that the Council agree to the extension of the operation of the Temporary Orders to 31 December 2015.

**Recommendation 1:**

**That the operation of the 2015 Temporary Orders of the Legislative Council be extended to apply until (and including) 31 December 2015.**



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**Hon. Barry House MLC**  
**Chair**  
**17 June 2015**