WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 133

WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY 2015

1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 1.00pm pursuant to Temporary Orders.

The Deputy President, Hon Adele Farina, took the Chair and read prayers.

2. Message from Her Excellency the Governor — Assent to Bill

The Deputy President reported the receipt of a Message from Her Excellency the Governor assenting to the following Bill —

15 May 2015 — Message No. 24

Act No.

Valuation of Land Amendment Bill 2015

14 of 2015

3. Paper

The following Paper was laid on the Table by —

Minister for Mental Health

Leases —

4. City of Fremantle Plastic Bag Reduction Local Law 2015 — Disallowance

Hon Peter Katsambanis: To move on the next day of sitting —

That the *City of Fremantle Plastic Bag Reduction Local Law 2015* published in the *Gazette* on 24 March 2015 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 21 April 2015 under the *Local Government Act 1995*, be and is hereby disallowed. (Tabled Paper 2750).

5. Crop Risk Mitigation Product

Motion No. 1 having been called, Hon Darren West continued his introductory remarks in moving the motion as follows —

That this Council calls on the Barnett Government to support the introduction of a Crop Risk Mitigation Product into Western Australia.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and passed.

6. Homeswest — Maintenance

Motion No. 2 having been called, Hon Samantha Rowe, pursuant to notice, moved —

That the Council calls on the Government to conduct an independent and transparent enquiry into the Department of Housing with reference to the response time for maintenance and repairs of Homeswest tenants.

Interruption pursuant to order.

7. Consideration of Committee Reports

Pursuant to order for the consideration of Committee Reports.

In Committee

(Hon Adele Farina in the Chair)

Joint Standing Committee on Audit — Report No. 3 — Review of the Auditor General Act 2006 — Appointment of a Reviewer

Debate resumed on the motion of Hon Peter Katsambanis, That the Report be noted.

Question — put and passed.

Joint Select Committee on Aboriginal Constitutional Recognition — Report No. 1 — Towards a True and Lasting Reconciliation: Report into the Appropriate Wording to Recognise Aboriginal People in the Constitution of Western Australia

Debate resumed on the motion of the Attorney General, That the Report be noted.

Question — put and passed.

Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs — Report No. 40 — Petition No. 23 — Increase Number of Mental Health beds in New Perth Children's Hospital

Debate resumed on the motion of Hon Stephen Dawson, That the Report be noted.

Question — put and passed.

Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations — Report No. 53 — 2015/16 Budget Estimates Hearings — Sitting Schedule

Hon Nick Goiran moved, That the Report be noted.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and passed.

The Acting President resumed the Chair.

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

- (1) Joint Standing Committee on Audit Report No. 3 Review of the Auditor General Act 2006 Appointment of a Reviewer and had noted same.
- (2) Joint Select Committee on Aboriginal Constitutional Recognition Report No. 1 Towards a True and Lasting Reconciliation: Report into the Appropriate Wording to Recognise Aboriginal People in the Constitution of Western Australia and had noted same.
- (3) Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs Report No. 40 *Petition No. 23 Increase Number of Mental Health beds in New Perth Children's Hospital* and had noted same.
- (4) Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations Report No. 53 2015/16 Budget Estimates Hearings Sitting Schedule and had noted same.

Report adopted.

8. Order of Business

Ordered — That Orders of the Day Nos 1, Shire of Trayning Public Places and Local Government Property Local Law 2014 — Disallowance, and 2, City of Gosnells Cat Local Law 2014 — Disallowance, be taken after Order of the Day No. 7, Criminal Code Amendment (Prevention of Lawful Activity) Bill 2015. (Leader of the House).

9. Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure — Consolidated Fund Estimates 2015–2016

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer as follows —

That pursuant to Standing Order 69(1) the Legislative Council take note of Tabled Paper 2877A–E (2015–2016 Budget Statements), laid upon the Table of the House on Thursday, 14 May 2015.

Debate resumed.

10. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

The Leader of the House representing the Minister for Training and Workforce Development, in accordance with Standing Order No. 108(2), advised that an answer to questions on notice Nos 2976, 2977 and 2980 asked by Hon Adele Farina will be provided on 21 May 2015.

The Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment tabled documents in relation to prescribed fires in Kings Park and Bold Park, in response to question on notice No. 2992 asked by Hon Lynn MacLaren. (Tabled Paper 2912).

The Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts tabled documents in relation to the details of funding provided to projects in the Mid-West region from various programs in 2013–2014, in response to question on notice No. 2988 asked by Hon Darren West. (Tabled Paper 2913).

The Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Water, in accordance with Standing Order No. 108(2), advised that an answer to question on notice No. 2989 asked by Hon Darren West will be provided on 18 June 2015.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport tabled documents in relation to the number of parking infringements issued at various train stations for each month in 2015 to date, in response to question on notice No. 2964 asked by Hon Ken Travers. (Tabled Paper 2914).

11. Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure — Consolidated Fund Estimates 2015–2016

Debate resumed on the motion of the Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer (see item 9 above).

On the motion of the Leader of the House the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

12. Loan Bill 2015

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

Interruption pursuant to order.

13. Adjournment

The Council adjourned at 6.21pm until Thursday, 21 May 2015 at 10.00am.

Members present during the day's proceedings

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Alanna Clohesy, Hon Barry House, Hon Lynn MacLaren (*leave of absence*), Hon Rick Mazza, Hon Michael Mischin and Hon Ken Travers (*leave of absence*).

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