

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 42

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 2001

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### 1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 4.00pm pursuant to order.

The President, Hon John Cowdell, took the Chair and read prayers.

### 2. Papers

The following Papers were laid on the Table by -

#### **President**

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#### **Leader of the House**

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#### **Minister for Housing and Works**

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#### **Minister for Racing and Gaming**

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**3. Standing Committee on Legislation - Seventh Report - Electronic Transactions Bill 2001**

Hon Jon Ford presented the Seventh Report of the Standing Committee on Legislation in relation to the *Electronic Transactions Bill 2001*. (Table paper 865).

Hon Jon Ford moved, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be printed.

Question - put and passed.

**4. Standing Committee on Legislation - Child Welfare Amendment Bill 2001 - Extension of Reporting Time**

Hon Jon Ford presented a Report of the Standing Committee on Legislation in relation to the *Child Welfare Amendment Bill 2001* seeking an extension of time from December 6 2001 to March 21 2002. (Table paper 866).

Hon Jon Ford moved, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be printed.

Question - put and passed.

**5. Standing Committee on Legislation - Statutes (Repeals and Minor Amendments) Bill 2001 - Extension of Reporting Time**

Hon Jon Ford presented a Report of the Standing Committee on Legislation in relation to the *Statutes (Repeals and Minor Amendments) Bill 2001* seeking an extension of time from November 15 2001 to March 14 2002. (Table paper 867).

Hon Jon Ford moved, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be adopted and agreed to.

Question - put and passed.

**6. Extension of Sitting Hours**

The Leader of the House: To move on the next day of sitting -

That from Tuesday, November 13 2001 until Thursday, December 6 2001 the House continue to sit until 11.00pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and 6.00pm on Thursdays and that the House commence its sittings on Wednesdays at 3.00pm and Thursdays at 10.00am.

**7. Impact of the GST on the State's Finances and Economy**

Motion No. 5 having been called.

Leave granted to Hon Ed Dermer to continue his remarks at the next sitting.

Debate resumed on the motion of Hon Ken Travers as follows -

That the House notes the impact of the GST on the State's finances and economy.

**8. Questions Without Notice**

Questions without notice were asked by Hon Norman Moore, Hon Peter Foss, Hon Barry House, Hon George Cash, Hon Jim Scott, Hon Frank Hough, Hon Murray Criddle, Hon Giz Watson, Hon Barbara Scott, Hon Robin Chapple, Hon Paddy Embry, Hon Simon O'Brien, Hon Christine Sharp, Hon Adele Farina and Hon Bill Stretch.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health tabled documents in relation to the Community Survey of Bellevue Fire Health Effects in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Jim Scott. (Tabled paper 868).

The Minister for Housing and Works tabled documents in relation to Western Power Policies involving Western Power's underground power procedures in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Adele Farina. (Tabled paper 869A-B).

### **9. Impact of the GST on the State's Finances and Economy**

Debate resumed on the motion of Hon Ken Travers (cf item 7 above).

*Interruption of Debate* [SO 195].

### **10. Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes - Extractive Industries Local Law - Disallowance, Town of Kwinana - Extractive Industries Local Law - Disallowance, Shire of Derby/West Kimberley - Extractive Industries Local Law - Disallowance and Shire of Wyndham-East Kimberley - Consolidated Local Government Laws - Disallowance - Discharge from Notice Paper**

Hon Ray Halligan, moved without notice -

That Order of the Day No. 109, *Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes - Extractive Industries Local Law - Disallowance*, Order of the Day No. 110, *Town of Kwinana - Extractive Industries Local Law - Disallowance*, Order of the Day No. 112, *Shire of Derby/West Kimberley - Extractive Industries Local Law - Disallowance* and Order of the Day No. 113, *Shire of Wyndham-East Kimberley - Consolidated Local Government Laws - Disallowance*, be discharged from the Notice Paper.

Question - put and passed.

### **11. Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure - Consolidated Fund Estimates 2001-2002**

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Racing and Gaming, That the Consolidated Fund Estimates 2001-2002 be noted.

Debate resumed.

On the motion of Hon Bruce Donaldson the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

### **12. Planning Appeals Amendment Bill 2001**

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

Debate resumed.

On the motion of the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

### **13. Order of Business**

Ordered - That Orders of the Day Nos 45, 46 and 47 be taken forthwith. (Leader of the House).

### **14. Cognate Debate - Road Traffic Amendment Bill 2001, Road Traffic Amendment (Vehicle Licensing) Bill 2001 and Road Traffic Amendment (Vehicle Licensing) (Taxing) Bill 2001**

The Leader of the House sought leave of the House to debate Order of the Day No. 45, *Road Traffic Amendment Bill 2001*, Order of the Day No. 46, *Road Traffic Amendment (Vehicle Licensing) Bill 2001* and Order of the Day No. 47, *Road Traffic Amendment (Vehicle Licensing) (Taxing) Bill 2001* cognately [SO 228].

Leave granted.

**15. Road Traffic Amendment Bill 2001, Road Traffic Amendment (Vehicle Licensing) Bill 2001 and Road Traffic Amendment (Vehicle Licensing) (Taxing) Bill 2001**

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the second reading of these Bills.

Debate resumed.

*Interruption of Debate* [SO 61(b)].

**16. Adjournment**

The Leader of the House moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

The House adjourned at 10.33pm until Thursday, November 8 2001 at 11.00am.

**Members present during the day's proceedings**

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Sue Ellery.

**L B MARQUET**  
Clerk of the Legislative Council

**HON JOHN COWDELL**  
President of the Legislative Council