

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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### MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 136

WEDNESDAY, 17 JUNE 2015

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#### 1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 2.00pm pursuant to order.

The President, Hon Barry House, took the Chair and read prayers.

#### 2. Statement by President — Auditor General Act 2006 — Review

The President made the following Statement —

The Joint Standing Committee on Audit has appointed Vista Advisory Pty Ltd to undertake a review of the operation and effectiveness of the *Auditor General Act 2006*. The Vista Advisory review will be a performance review of the Office of the Auditor General. A review of the Act will be conducted at a later stage and will be informed by the outcomes of the performance review.

As part of the performance review program, Vista Advisory staff will be attending Parliament House tomorrow and on Thursday, 13 August 2015 in room 1.29 from 10.00 am to 6.00 pm. Vista Advisory will be available to Members of both Houses on both days to allow them to provide individual input into the review process. As key stakeholders in the services provided by the Office of the Auditor General, I urge all Members to take advantage of this unique opportunity to become involved in the review process. Members' comments will inform the review and may result in the more effective operation of this important statutory office.

#### 3. Electricity Corporations Amendment Bill 2015

The following Message from the Legislative Assembly was reported —

Mr President

Message No. 108

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has agreed to the *Electricity Corporations Amendment Bill 2015* without amendment.

Hon. M.W. Sutherland

Speaker

Legislative Assembly Chamber

Perth, 17 June 2015

#### 4. Petitions

Hon Adele Farina presented a petition from five petitioners requesting the Legislative Council to oppose the South Coast Crustacean Management Fishery Management Plan 2015. (Tabled Paper 2991).

Hon Liz Behjat presented a petition from 174 petitioners requesting the Legislative Council to oppose the proposed four storey development of Chrystal Halliday Nursing Home in Karrinyup. (Tabled Paper 2992).

## 5. Paper

The following Paper was laid on the Table by —

### Minister for Agriculture and Food

*Reports —*

Official Visit — Japan and Hong Kong (24 April – 1 May 2015) ..... 2990

## 6. Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission — Report No. 19 — Parliamentary Inspector’s report on misconduct and related issues in the Corruption and Crime Commission

Hon Nick Goiran presented Report No. 19 of the Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission, *Parliamentary Inspector’s report on misconduct and related issues in the Corruption and Crime Commission*. (Tabled Paper 2993).

## 7. Homeswest — Maintenance

Motion No. 1 having been read, Hon Samantha Rowe continued her introductory remarks in moving the motion as follows —

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

Debate ensued.

*Interruption pursuant to order.*

## 8. Order of Business

Ordered — That Bills for Introduction No. 2, *Evidence Amendment Bill 2015*, be taken forthwith. (Leader of the House).

## 9. Evidence Amendment Bill 2015

The Attorney General, pursuant to notice, moved —

That a Bill for “An Act to amend the *Evidence Act 1906*.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

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

The Attorney General tabled an Explanatory Memorandum relating to the Bill. (Tabled Paper 2994).

Debate stands adjourned.

## 10. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

The Minister for Education tabled a list of schools and funding received under the Student-Centred Funding Model, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Sue Ellery. (Tabled Paper 2995).

The Minister for Education tabled documents in relation to school details for 2014 and 2015 for the South West Education region, in response to question on notice No. 2996 asked by Hon Adele Farina. (Tabled Paper 2996).

The Minister for Education tabled documents in relation to staffing allocation by head count and full-time equivalent for the School Curriculum and Standards Authority for the years 2011 to 2015 inclusive, in response to question on notice No. 3001 asked by Hon Adele Farina. (Tabled Paper 2997).

The Minister for Education tabled documents in relation to schools in the Southwest Education Region that received infrastructure improvements in each of the years 2012 to 2015 inclusive, in response to question on notice No. 3002 asked by Hon Adele Farina. (Tabled Paper 2998).

The Minister for Education tabled documents in relation to school psychologists and staff allocated to schools in the Southwest Education Region from 2011 to 2015 inclusive, in response to question on notice No. 3003 asked by Hon Adele Farina. (Tabled Paper 2999).

The Minister for Education tabled documents in relation to full-time, casual and part-time education assistants in the Southwest Education Region for each of the years 2013, 2014 and 2015, in response to question on notice No. 3005 asked by Hon Adele Farina. (Tabled Paper 3000).

The Minister for Education tabled documents in relation to voluntary school fees for each school in the South West education region for 2013, 2014 and 2015, in response to question on notice No. 3006 asked by Hon Adele Farina. (Tabled Paper 3001).

The Minister for Education tabled documents in relation to the percentage of students in public schools that have attained the NAPLAN national mean score or above in reading, writing and maths, in response to question on notice No. 3072 asked by Hon Adele Farina. (Tabled Paper 3002).

The Minister for Mental Health tabled documents in relation to the number of staff and average patient case load for community mental health clinics in Clarkson, Joondalup, Mirrabooka, Osborne Park, Subiaco and Inner City, in response to question on notice No. 3049 asked by Hon Stephen Dawson. (Tabled Paper 3003).

The Minister for Mental Health, in accordance with Standing Order No. 108(2), advised that an answer to question on notice No. 3048 asked by Hon Stephen Dawson will be provided on 11 August 2015.

The Attorney General representing the Minister for Police tabled documents in relation to police resourcing in Port and South Hedland from 1 July 2012 to 2015 to date, and details of home burglaries and motorbike thefts, in response to question on notice No. 3056 asked by Hon Stephen Dawson. (Tabled Paper 3004).

The Attorney General representing the Minister for Police tabled documents in relation to police vehicle callouts in Port and South Hedland in the past six months compared to the past three years, in response to question on notice No. 2993 asked by Hon Stephen Dawson. (Tabled Paper 3005).

The Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy tabled documents in relation to active power stations that allow manual transfers, in response to question on notice No. 3149 asked by Hon Robin Chapple. (Tabled Paper 3006).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport tabled documents in relation to the number of individuals fined multiple times on Transperth services, in response to question on notice No. 3028 asked by Hon Ken Travers. (Tabled Paper 3007).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health tabled documents in relation to South West emergency department attendances, admissions, ambulance attendances, triage attendances and median waiting times for each triage category in 2012–13 and 2013–14, in response to question on notice No. 3123 asked by Hon Adele Farina. (Tabled Paper 3008).

#### **11. Standing Committee on Procedure and Privileges — Report No. 34 — Special Report: Temporary Orders 2015 — Extension**

The President presented Report No. 34 of the Standing Committee on Procedure and Privileges, *Special Report: Temporary Orders 2015 — Extension*. (Tabled Paper 3009).

#### **12. Order of Business**

Ordered — That Orders of the Day Nos 1, *Shire of Trayning Public Places and Local Government Property Local Law 2014 — Disallowance*, 2, *City of Gosnells Cat Local Law 2014 — Disallowance*, and 3, *City Of Fremantle Plastic Bag Reduction Local Law 2015 — Disallowance*, be taken after Order of the Day No. 12, *Rail Safety National Law (WA) Bill 2014*. (Leader of the House).

**13. 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 Mental Health 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.

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

**14. 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.*

**15. Members' Statements**

Statements were taken.

**16. Adjournment**

The Council adjourned at 6.34pm until Thursday, 18 June 2015 at 10.00am.

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

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Lynn MacLaren (*leave of absence*).

**NIGEL PRATT**  
Clerk of the Legislative Council

**HON BARRY HOUSE**  
President of the Legislative Council