

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 15

WEDNESDAY, 26 JUNE 2013

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 — Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission

The President made the following Statement —

I have a letter I would like to convey to you. It is addressed to me from the Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission and states —

Dear Mr President

On 25 June 2013 the Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission was informed that Acting Commissioner Mark Herron has resigned from his position at the Corruption and Crime Commission.

The Committee believed it was important to inform the Legislative Council of this fact.

The Committee has since learnt that Mr Herron has been appointed a Judge of the District Court.

Yours sincerely

Hon Nick Goiran MLC

Chairman

3. Petition

Hon Jim Chown presented a petition from 4,676 petitioners requesting the Legislative Council to recommend to the Government that effective incentives be provided to attract suitable doctors so that full maternity services are again available at Katanning District Hospital. (Tabled Paper 377).

4. Papers

The following Papers were laid on the Table by —

President

Auditor General's Papers —

Administration of the Patient Assisted Travel Scheme (Report No. 9) (June 2013)..... 375

Supply and Sale of Western Australia's Native Forest Products (Report No. 10)
(June 2013)..... 376

5. Coastal Communities — Climate Change

Hon Sally Talbot: To move on the next day of sitting —

That this Council condemns the Barnett Government for its failure to address climate change and sea level rise impact on our coastal communities.

6. Environmental Offsets Register

Hon Sally Talbot: To move on the next day of sitting —

That this Council condemns the Barnett Government for its failure to implement an environmental offsets register that takes effect from the Government's endorsement of its offsets policy released in September 2011.

7. Order of Business

Ordered — That Order of the Day No. 1, *Shire of Kellerberrin Dogs Local Law (2012) — Disallowance*, be taken after Order of the Day No. 5, *Queen Elizabeth II Medical Centre Amendment Bill 2013*. (Leader of the House).

8. Address-In-Reply

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the amendment of Hon Ken Travers as follows —

To insert after “deliver to Parliament” —

but regrets to inform His Excellency that the Barnett Government has already broken a number of promises made during the March State Election campaign.

to the motion of Hon Liz Behjat as follows —

To His Excellency, Malcolm McCusker, Companion of the Order of Australia, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Queen's Counsel, Governor in and over the State of Western Australia and its dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia.

May it please your Excellency —

We, the Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the speech you have been pleased to deliver to Parliament.

Debate resumed.

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

9. Supply Bill 2013

The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill, in Committee of the Whole House, having been read.

The President left the Chair.

In Committee

(Hon Liz Behjat in the Chair)

Clause 1.

Debate resumed.

10. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport tabled documents in relation to a media statement by the Minister for Transport regarding new fees and charges, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Ken Travers. (Tabled Paper 378).

The Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy by leave incorporated into Hansard information in relation to voluntary redundancies within Western Power, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson.

The Leader of the House representing the Premier by leave incorporated into Hansard information in relation to the Browse Liquefied Natural Gas Precinct, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Robin Chapple.

11. Supply Bill 2013

Resumption of consideration of this Bill in Committee of the Whole House (*see item 9 above*).

The President left the Chair.

In Committee

(Hon Alanna Clohesy in the Chair)

Clause 1.

Debate resumed.

The Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer moved, That the Chair report progress and seek to sit again.

Question — put and passed.

The Deputy President resumed the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the Bill, made progress, and seeks to sit again.

Ordered — That the Committee of the Whole House sit again.

12. Duties Legislation Amendment Bill 2013

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

Debate resumed.

Want of Quorum

There not being a quorum present, the Deputy President gave instructions for the ringing of the Bells.

A quorum being formed, the debate continued.

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

13. Order of Business

Ordered — That Bills for Introduction No. 2, *Criminal Code Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2013*, be taken forthwith. (Leader of the House).

14. Criminal Code Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2013

The Attorney General, pursuant to notice, moved —

That a Bill for “An Act to amend *The Criminal Code.*” 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 379).

Debate stands adjourned.

15. Members' Statements

Statements were taken.

16. Adjournment

The Council adjourned at 9.55pm until Thursday, 27 June 2013 at 10.00am.

Members present during the day's proceedings

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Ken Baston and Hon Lynn MacLaren.

MALCOLM PEACOCK
Clerk of the Legislative Council

HON BARRY HOUSE
President of the Legislative Council