

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 180

FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2008

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 12 noon pursuant to adjournment.

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair.

Prayers were read.

2. Death of Sir Charles Court - a former Premier of Western Australia

The Premier, without notice, moved,

That the House records its sincere regret of the death of Sir Charles Court and tenders its deep sympathy to his family.

The motion was supported by Mr T.R. Buswell, Mr B.J. Grylls, Mr E.S. Ripper, Dr K.D. Hames, Mr R.C. Kucera, Mr C.J. Barnett, Ms A.J.G. MacTiernan, Mr P.D. Omodei, Mrs C.A Martin, Ms S.E Walker and Mr M.W. Trenorden.

Question put and passed unanimously with members and officers of the Assembly standing in their places as a mark of respect.

3. Papers

The following papers were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House -

Child Death Review Committee Western Australia – Annual Report 2006-2007 (3641).

Midland Redevelopment Act 1999 – Ministerial approval under Section 20(2)(a) for the acquisition of Lot 44 (271) Great Eastern Highway from Goodo Pty Ltd under the terms and conditions of the offer and acceptance, dated December 2007 for the price of \$1,600,000 (excluding GST) (3642).

Education and Health Standing Committee – Government Response to the Education and Health Standing Committee's Report No. 10: Examination of Indigenous Employment by the State (3643).

4. Brief Ministerial Statements

The following Brief Ministerial Statements were made by -

The Minister for Corrective Services on the 10th anniversary of the first work camp for low-risk minimum-security prisoners to open in Western Australia.

Paper

The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House -

By the Minister for Corrective Services -

Work Camps in Western Australia – 10th Anniversary of Work Camps in Western Australia, Commemorative Book (3644).

The Minister for Planning and Infrastructure on the retesting of lead and nickel levels in rainwater tanks at Esperance.

Paper

The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House -

By the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure -

Esperance Lead and Nickel Levels – Retesting of Rainwater Tanks at Esperance, February 2008, Dr Jane Heyworth, School of Population Health, University of Western Australia (3645).

The Minister for the Environment on the review of the Environmental Impact Assessment process by the Environmental Protection Authority.

The Minister for Water Resources on the report on the Small Country Town Sewerage Program.

Paper

The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House -

By the Minister for Water Resources -

Small Country Towns Sewerage Program – Review of the Small Country Towns Sewerage Program by Water Corporation (3646).

The Minister for Police and Emergency Services, on behalf of the Attorney General on the Government Response to the recommendations of the Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission Report No. 31, 'Inquiry into Legislative Amendments to the *Corruption and Crime Commission Act 2003* – The Role of the Corruption and Crime Commission in Investigating Serious and Organised Crime in Western Australia'.

Paper

The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House -

By the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on behalf of the Attorney General -

Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission – Government Response: Letter dated 13 February 2008, from the Attorney General to the Chair of the JSCCC regarding the Inquiry into Legislative Amendments to the *Corruption and Crime Commission Act 2003* - The Role of the Corruption and Crime Commission in Investigating Serious and Organised Crime in Western Australia (3647).

5. Acts Amendment (Assaults on Police Officers) Bill 2008

Mr R.F. Johnson, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend *The Criminal Code* and the *Sentencing Act 1995*.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Mr R.F. Johnson presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

Mr R.F. Johnson moved, That the second reading of the bill be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting of the House.

Question put and passed.

6. Notice of Motion after the Time Prescribed

Mr M.J. Cowper was granted leave to give a late notice of motion.

7. Premier’s Statement

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate upon the question, That the Premier’s Statement be noted, was read.

Debate resumed.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Mr T.R. Buswell speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

8. Questions

Questions without notice were taken.

Questions on notice Nos 3108 to 3117 were asked.

Questions on notice Nos 2884 and 2956 were answered.

9. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day No. 1 be resumed.

10. Premier's Statement

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate upon the question, That the Premier's Statement be noted, was read.

Debate resumed.

The Leader of the House moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

11. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly, at 7.01 p.m. until Thursday, 28 February 2008 at 9.00 a.m.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings - All the members except Dr E. Constable.

PETER J. McHUGH

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. FRED RIEBELING

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly