

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 69

FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTY-EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2010

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 12.00 noon pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

Prayers were read.

2. Petitions

Commercial Growing of Genetically Modified Canola – Petitions requesting that the Legislative Assembly reverse the decision to allow commercial growing of genetically modified canola in Western Australia were presented by –

Ms A.J.G. MacTiernan from 20 persons (P. 214); and

Mr C.J. Tallentire from 119 persons (P. 215).

Urban Development South of the Moore River – Petitions requesting that the Legislative Assembly support the recommendation that the land adjoining the proposed Wilbinga Conservation Park be protected from future development were presented by –

Mr C.J. Tallentire from 136 persons (P. 216);

Mr J.C. Kobelke from 146 persons (P. 217); and

Mr G.A. Woodhams from 117 persons (P. 218).

3. Papers

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

By the Clerk –

Verve Energy – Letter of Agreement to Verve Energy for the Proposed Pre-Payment by Verve Energy for Delivery of Coal by the Griffin Coal Mining Company Pty Ltd (1870).

Land Administration Act 1997 – Proposal No. 1/2010 under sections 42(4), 44(1) or 45(4) of the Act in relation to the Proposed Pipeline Easement over Class “A” Reserve 2851 Dawesville (City of Mandurah), dated 24 February 2010 (1871).

Community Development and Justice Standing Committee – Minutes, 26 November 2008 to 10 December 2009 (1872).

Education and Health Standing Committee – Minutes, 26 November 2008 to 18 November 2009 (1873).

Midland Redevelopment Act 1999 – Ministerial Approval to enter into contract in excess of \$1 million, in accordance with section 20(3) of the Act, with Georgiou Group contract number DC100.52 under the AS400 contract terms with special conditions, dated 23 February 2010 (1874).

4. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Health on the launch of the Silver Chain Nursing Association’s new Home Hospital service, which will provide high-quality health care in a patient’s own home.

The Minister for Culture and the Arts on the death of Indigenous artist Meeyakba Shane Pickett.

The Minister for Tourism on the Report on Allegations of a Conflict of Interest Involving a Tourism Western Australia Employee and the One Movement for Music Festival.

Paper

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

By the Minister for Tourism –

Tourism Western Australia – Report on Allegations of a Conflict of Interest Involving a Tourism Western Australia Employee and the One Movement for Music Festival (1875).

The Minister for Commerce on the Final Report of the Red Tape Reduction Group.

Paper

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

By the Minister for Commerce –

Red Tape Reduction Group – Reducing the Burden: Final Report of the Red Tape Reduction Group (1876).

5. Temporary Order – Standing Order 74

The Leader of the House, pursuant to notice, moved,

That for the remainder of the session, Standing Order 74 will not apply to any notice of disallowance motion given in accordance with section 42 of the *Interpretation Act 1984* or any other Act.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

6. Road Traffic Amendment Bill 2010

The Minister for Police, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Road Traffic Act 1974*.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Minister for Police presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading of the bill be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting of the Assembly.

7. Pay-roll Tax Assessment Amendment Bill 2010

The Treasurer, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 2002* and the *Pay-roll Tax Assessment Regulations 2003*.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Treasurer presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading of the bill be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting of the Assembly.

8. Hairdressers Registration (Amendment and Expiry) Bill 2010

The Minister for Commerce, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Hairdressers Registration Act 1946* and for related purposes.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Minister for Commerce presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading of the bill be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting of the Assembly.

9. 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.

Mr E.S. Ripper moved, To add the following words –

“ and that the House condemns the Liberal-National Government for its failure to properly manage the State’s finances driving the State budget into deficit and threatening family budgets, jobs and services

”.

Debate ensued.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Mr M. McGowan speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

10. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 2241 to 2352 were asked.

11. Additional Information

The Minister for Police provided additional information relating to Question without Notice No. 15 from Mr E.S. Ripper regarding reported crime statistics.

12. Personal Explanation

The Minister for Tourism made a personal explanation on a typographical error in a paper tabled earlier (see paragraph 4).

Paper

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

By the Minister for Tourism –

Tourism Western Australia – Key Dates and Events/Actions relating to allegations of a conflict of interest involving a Tourism Western Australia employee and the One Movement for Music Festival (1877).

13. Variation to the Order of Business

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

14. Premier's Statement

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the amendment moved by Mr E.S. Ripper to the question, That the Premier's Statement be noted, was read (see paragraph 9).

Debate resumed.

Suspension of Standing Orders

Mr M. McGowan, without notice, moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as is necessary to enable the following motion to be moved forthwith –

That this House calls on the Premier to –

- a) explain the true position regarding fraud offence figures in Western Australia;
- b) explain why the fraud figures were not included in the recently released crime statistics; and
- c) explain who has Ministerial responsibility for this matter.

Debate ensued.

The Leader of the House moved, To insert after “forthwith” the words –

“ subject to the time limits for a Matter of Public Interest ”.

Amendment put and passed.

On the question, That the motion, as amended, be agreed to,

Question put.

The Speaker having counted the House, and an absolute majority being present and there being no dissentient voice, declared the motion, as amended, to be carried with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of members of the House.

Fraud Offence Figures in Western Australia

Mr M. McGowan, pursuant to the foregoing motion, moved,

That this House calls on the Premier to –

- a) explain the true position regarding fraud offence figures in Western Australia;
- b) explain why the fraud figures were not included in the recently released crime statistics; and
- c) explain who has Ministerial responsibility for this matter.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

Ayes (25)

Ms L.L. Baker	Mr M.P. Murray	Mr C.J. Tallentire
Mr R.H. Cook	Mr A.P. O’Gorman	Mr P. Tinley
Mr J.N. Hyde	Mr P. Papalia	Mr A.J. Waddell
Mr W.J. Johnston	Mr J.R. Quigley	Mr P.B. Watson
Mr J.C. Kobelke	Ms M.M. Quirk	Mr M.P. Whitely
Mr F.M. Logan	Mr E.S. Ripper	Mr B.S. Wyatt
Ms A.J.G. MacTiernan	Mrs M.H. Roberts	Mr D.A. Templeman (<i>Teller</i>)
Mr M. McGowan	Ms R. Saffioti	
Mrs C.A. Martin	Mr T.G. Stephens	

Noes (30)

Mr P. Abetz	Mr M.J. Cowper	Mr W.R. Marmion
Mr F.A. Alban	Mr J.H.D. Day	Mr P.T. Miles
Mr C.J. Barnett	Mr J.M. Francis	Ms A.R. Mitchell
Mr I.C. Blayney	Mr B.J. Grylls	Dr M.D. Nahan
Mr J.J.M. Bowler	Dr K.D. Hames	Mr C.C. Porter
Mr I.M. Britza	Mrs L.M. Harvey	Mr D.T. Redman
Mr T.R. Buswell	Mr A.P. Jacob	Mr A.J. Simpson
Ms A.S. Carles	Dr G.G. Jacobs	Mr M.W. Sutherland
Mr V.A. Catania	Mr R.F. Johnson	Mr T.K. Waldron
Dr E. Constable	Mr A. Krsticevic	Mr J.E. McGrath (<i>Teller</i>)

Question thus negatived.

On the question, That the amendment moved by Mr E.S. Ripper to the question, That the Premier's Statement be noted, be agreed to,

Debate resumed.

Amendment put.

The Assembly divided.

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Amendment thus negatived.

On the question, That the Premier's Statement be noted,

Debate resumed.

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

Question put and passed.

15. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 7.06 p.m. until Thursday, 25 February 2010 at 9.00 a.m.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Mr G.M. Castrilli.

PETER J. McHUGH

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. GRANT WOODHAMS

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly