

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 181

WEDNESDAY, 6 APRIL 2016

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### 1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 1.00pm pursuant to Temporary Orders.

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

### 2. Message from Her Excellency the Governor — Assent to Bill

The President reported the receipt of a Message from Her Excellency the Governor assenting to the following Bill —

<b>5 April 2016 — Message No. 8</b>	<b>Act No.</b>
Bell Group Companies (Finalisation of Matters and Distribution of Proceeds) Amendment Bill 2016	6 of 2016

### 3. Statement by President — Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review — Resignation of Member

The President made the following Statement —

I have received the following letter —

Mr President

I wish to tender my resignation as a Member and Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review, effective from the date of this letter.

May I take this opportunity to thank the Members who have served with me on the committee for their collegial contributions.

My thanks in particular go to the parliamentary officers for their assistance and advice, they provide a valuable service to the committee process.

Yours sincerely

Hon Brian Ellis MLC

### 4. Statement by President — Standing Committee on Legislation — Resignation of Member

The President made the following Statement —

I have received the following letter —

Dear Mr President

As a consequence of my appointment as Minister for Planning and Disability Services, I hereby advise that I resign as a Member of the Standing Committee on Legislation

Yours sincerely

Hon Donna Faragher JP MLC

## 5. Petition

Hon Paul Brown presented a petition from 1,301 petitioners requesting the Legislative Council to recommend an inquiry into the rezoning of Southgate sand dunes. (Tabled Paper 3995).

## 6. Ministerial Statement — Regional Telecommunications Project And Mobile Black Spot Program

The Minister for Commerce made a Ministerial Statement with respect to the Regional Telecommunications Project and its alignment with the Federal Mobile Black Spot Program.

## 7. Paper

The following Paper was laid on the Table by —

### President

*Auditor General's Paper* —

Land Asset Sales Program (Report No. 4) (April 2016) ..... 3994

## 8. Standing Committee on Legislation — Appointment of Member

The Leader of the House moved, without notice —

That Hon Ken Baston be appointed as a Member to the Standing Committee on Legislation.

Question — put and passed.

## 9. Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review — Appointment of Member

The Leader of the House moved, without notice —

That Hon Phil Edman be appointed as a Member to the Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review.

Question — put and passed.

## 10. Children's Hospital — Planning and Analysis

Motion No. 1 having been called, debate resumed on the motion of Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson as follows —

That the Council calls on the Government to engage in thorough analysis and planning regarding the potential demands on the New Children's Hospital. Noting that with the significant population growth in Western Australia, it is incumbent on the Government to review current plans and estimates with a view to increasing bed capacity in the new hospital.

*Interruption pursuant to order.*

## 11. Consideration of Committee Reports

Pursuant to order for the consideration of Committee Reports.

### In Committee

(Hon Adele Farina in the Chair)

#### Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs — Report No. 42 — Implications for Western Australia of Hydraulic Fracturing for Unconventional Gas

Debate resumed on the motion of Hon Simon O'Brien, That the Report be noted.

Pursuant to Temporary Order No. 5, consideration of the report was postponed until a later stage of this day's sitting.

#### Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission — Report No. 27 — The Parliamentary Inspector's protocols with the Corruption and Crime Commission and the Public Sector Commissioner

Hon Nick Goiran moved, That the Report be noted.

Question — put and passed.

**Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs — Report No. 42 — Implications for Western Australia of Hydraulic Fracturing for Unconventional Gas**

Debate resumed on the motion of Hon Simon O'Brien, That the Report be noted.

Debate ensued.

*Interruption pursuant to order.*

The Acting President resumed the Chair.

The Chair of Committees reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the —

- (1) Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission — Report No. 27 — *The Parliamentary Inspector's protocols with the Corruption and Crime Commission and the Public Sector Commissioner* and had noted same.
- (2) Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs — Report No. 42 — *Implications for Western Australia of Hydraulic Fracturing for Unconventional Gas*, made progress, and seeks to sit again.

Report adopted.

**12. Motor Vehicle (Catastrophic Injuries) Bill 2016**

The following Message from the Legislative Assembly was reported —

Mr President

Message No. 147

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the *Motor Vehicle (Catastrophic Injuries) Bill 2016*

Mr I.M. Britz

Acting Speaker

Legislative Assembly Chamber

Perth, 6 April 2016

**13. Land Administration (South West Native Title Settlement) Bill 2015**

The Acting President reported the receipt of Message No. 145 from the Legislative Assembly forwarding the Bill for concurrence.

The Leader of the House representing the Premier moved, That the Bill be read a first time.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

**14. Questions Without Notice**

Questions without notice were taken.

The Minister for Planning representing the Minister for Health tabled documents in relation to exemptions sought by mental health workers, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Stephen Dawson. (Tabled Paper 3996).

The Minister for Planning representing the Minister for Health tabled documents in relation to the Rural Palliative Care Model in Western Australia used by the Western Australian Cancer and Palliative Care Network, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Adele Farina. (Tabled Paper 3997).

The Minister for Planning representing the Minister for Health, by leave incorporated into *Hansard*, information in relation to staffing at the Hedland Health Campus, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Stephen Dawson.

The Leader of the House representing the Premier, by leave incorporated into *Hansard*, information in relation to staffing in the Department of Premier and Cabinet, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Ken Travers.

The Minister for Planning, in accordance with Standing Order No. 108(2), advised that an answer to question on notice No. 3822 asked by Hon Martin Pritchard will be provided on 10 May 2016.

The Minister for Planning representing Minister for Child Protection, in accordance with Standing Order No. 108(2), advised that an answer to question on notice No. 3823 asked by Hon Robin Chapple will be provided on 10 May 2016.

**15. Land Administration (South West Native Title Settlement) Bill 2015**

The Leader of the House representing the Premier moved, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Leader of the House representing the Premier tabled an Explanatory Memorandum relating to the Bill. (Tabled Paper 3998).

Debate stands adjourned.

**16. Order of Business**

Ordered — That Order of the Day No. 1, *Mental Health Regulations 2015 – Disallowance*, be taken after Order of the Day No. 16, *Public Health (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2014*. (Leader of the House).

**17. Electoral Amendment Bill 2016**

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.*

**18. Members' Statements**

Statements were taken.

**19. Adjournment**

The Council adjourned at 6.29pm until Thursday, 7 April 2016 at 10.00am.

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

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Alanna Clohesy and Hon Nigel Hallett.

**NIGEL PRATT**  
Clerk of the Legislative Council

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