

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 78

FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTY-NINTH PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 7 MAY 2014

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 12.00 noon pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

Prayers were read.

2. Petitions

Swan River Trust – Mr C.J. Tallentire presented a petition from 38 persons requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls upon the Barnett Government to recognise the Swan River as a Western Australian icon and to reinstate the Swan River Trust as catchment manager (P. 124).

Takari Primary School – Mr C.D. Hatton presented a petition from 884 persons requesting that the Legislative Assembly requests the Government to install flashing electronic speed signs in the streets adjacent to Takari Primary School (P. 125).

Cockburn Council – Mr F.M. Logan presented a petition from 149 persons requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the State Government to leave the City of Cockburn's current boundaries in place (P. 126).

3. Papers

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

By the Speaker –

Auditor General, Office of the – Audit Results Report: Annual 2013 Assurance Audits, Report 6 (1582).

Auditor General, Office of the – The Implementation and Initial Outcomes of the Suicide Prevention Strategy, Report 7 (1583).

4. Notices of Motion

5. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Police acknowledging the contribution of former Deputy Police Commissioner Chris Dawson.

The Minister for Housing on the trial of information sharing between the Department of Housing and WA Police.

The Minister for Racing and Gaming on the alcohol ban in the Tjuntjuntjara Community.

6. 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 –

- (1) That the House calls on the Member for Vasse to immediately make a personal explanation to the House and in particular explain the following:
 - (a) Was he driving whilst intoxicated on the 22nd/23rd February?
 - (b) Will he repay the cost of the damage to Government and private property?
 - (c) Why has he refused to cooperate with Police?
 - (d) Why did he not resign from Cabinet prior to being exposed by a witness?
 - (e) What advice about the events of the 22nd/23rd February did he provide to Government staffers, members and Ministers in the two week period prior to his resignation from Cabinet?
- (2) That the Public Accounts Committee inquire into the circumstances of the night in question and who in Government knew about the events.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

Ayes (19)

Ms L.L. Baker	Mr F.M. Logan	Ms R. Saffioti
Dr A.D. Buti	Mr M. McGowan	Mr C.J. Tallentire
Mr R.H. Cook	Ms S.F. McGurk	Mr P.B. Watson
Ms J.M. Freeman	Mr P. Papalia	Mr B.S. Wyatt
Mr R.F. Johnson	Mr J.R. Quigley	Mr D.A. Templeman (<i>Teller</i>)
Mr W.J. Johnston	Ms M.M. Quirk	
Mr D.J. Kelly	Mrs M.H. Roberts	

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Mr P. Abetz	Ms W.M. Duncan	Mr W.R. Marmion
Mr F.A. Alban	Mr J.M. Francis	Mr P.T. Miles
Mr C.J. Barnett	Mrs G.J. Godfrey	Ms A.R. Mitchell
Mr I.C. Blayney	Mr B.J. Grylls	Mr N.W. Morton
Mr I.M. Britza	Dr K.D. Hames	Mr D.C. Nalder
Mr T.R. Buswell	Mrs L.M. Harvey	Mr J. Norberger
Mr G.M. Castrilli	Mr C.D. Hatton	Mr D.T. Redman
Mr V.A. Catania	Mr A.P. Jacob	Mr A.J. Simpson
Mr M.J. Cowper	Dr G.G. Jacobs	Mr M.H. Taylor
Ms M.J. Davies	Mr S.K. L'Estrange	Mr T.K. Waldron
Mr J.H.D. Day	Mr R.S. Love	Mr A. Krsticevic (<i>Teller</i>)

Question thus negatived.

7. Criminal Investigation Amendment Bill 2014

The Minister for Police, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Criminal Investigation Act 2006*.” 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.

The Minister for Police moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Minister for Police speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

8. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 1969, 1978, 2018, 2026, 2048, 2058, 2062, 2125, 2150 and 2153 were answered.

Paper tabled by the Minister for Emergency Services –

Question on Notice No. 1978 – The Establishment of a Volunteer Fire Service in Forrestfield (1584).

9. Matter of Public Interest – Cost of Electricity and Stamp Duty Exemptions

The Speaker informed the Assembly that he was in receipt of a notice from Mr M. McGowan that he intended to move a motion on a matter of public interest.

At least five members having risen in support,

Mr M. McGowan moved,

That the House calls on the Barnett Government to adhere to the promises made in relation to the cost of electricity and maintain existing exemptions from stamp duty for first-home buyers.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

Ayes (17)

Ms L.L. Baker
Dr A.D. Buti
Mr R.H. Cook
Ms J.M. Freeman
Mr W.J. Johnston
Mr D.J. Kelly

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Mr A. Krsticevic (*Teller*)

Question thus negatived.

10. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day for the second reading of the Criminal Investigation Amendment Bill 2014 be resumed.

11. Criminal Investigation Amendment Bill 2014

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate upon the second reading of the bill was read.

Debate resumed.

Mr D.A. Templeman moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

12. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Bills Notice of Motion No. 2 be postponed to a later stage of the sitting.

13. Travel Agents Amendment and Expiry Bill 2014

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Commerce, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act –

- to amend the *Travel Agents Act 1985* to deregulate the travel industry; and
- to make consequential amendments to the *Fair Trading Act 2010* and the *State Administrative Tribunal Act 2004*,

and for related purposes.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Commerce presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Commerce moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Mr D.A. Templeman moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

14. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Bills Notice of Motion No. 2 be next considered.

15. Swan and Canning Rivers Management Amendment Bill 2014

The Minister for Environment, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Swan and Canning Rivers Management Act 2006*, to make consequential amendments to other Acts, and for related purposes.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

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

The Minister for Environment moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Minister for Environment speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

16. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Private Members’ Business Notices of Motion Nos 25 and 26 be next considered.

17. Section 18C of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975

Ms M.M. Quirk, pursuant to notice, moved,

That this House expresses its deep regret that the Barnett Government:

- (a) unlike the Governments of New South Wales and Victoria, failed to defend the interests of the residents of this the most multicultural state in the country by lodging a submission opposing the proposal by the Commonwealth to repeal section 18C of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975*; and
- (b) failed to publicly acknowledge that the proposed changes threaten the social cohesion and well-being of Western Australia's culturally and religiously diverse communities.

Debate ensued.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Mr F.A. Alban speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

18. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day for the second reading of the Swan and Canning Rivers Management Amendment Bill 2014 be resumed.

19. Swan and Canning Rivers Management Amendment Bill 2014

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate upon the second reading of the bill was read.

Debate resumed.

Mrs M.H. Roberts moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

20. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 7.05 p.m. until Thursday, 8 May 2014 at 9.00 a.m.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Ms E. Evangel, Ms J. Farrer, Mr J.E. McGrath and Mr M.P. Murray.

PETER J. McHUGH
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. MICHAEL SUTHERLAND
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly