

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 149

WEDNESDAY, 15 AUGUST 2007

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### 1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 4.00pm pursuant to order.

The Deputy President, Hon George Cash, took the Chair and read prayers.

### 2. Petition

Hon Helen Morton presented a petition from 136 residents of Western Australia, to preserve the dignity of people with a mental illness and consult with the public in relation to Residential Care. (Tabled paper 3004).

Hon Helen Morton presented a petition from 838 residents of Western Australia, requesting the Legislative Council to strongly oppose the closure of Royal Perth Hospital and to ensure the name of Royal Perth Hospital is maintained. (Tabled paper 3005).

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#### 4. Home Ownership Affordability

Motion No. 46 having been read, debate resumed on the amendment, as amended, of Hon Louise Pratt as follows -

- (1) By deleting “condemns the Government for the undue anxiety created for the many first home buyers through its inability in a timely manner to” and insert instead -  
“ calls on the Government to ”
- (2) To delete paragraph (3) and insert instead -  
“
- (3) Continue to meet its commitments to -
  - (a) increase social housing stock;
  - (b) encourage and enable home ownership;
  - (c) improve housing sustainability and energy efficiency;
  - (d) alleviate pressure on private sector rents through measures such as the lifting of letting fees;
  - (e) targeted loan schemes included shared equity housing loans;
  - (f) improve access to affordable quality housing for Aboriginal Western Australians; and
  - (g) introduce new measures in the State Budget to address housing affordability

”;

to the motion of Hon Ray Halligan as follows -

That this House condemns the Government for the undue anxiety created for the many first home buyers through its inability in a timely manner to -

- (1) Help reduce the cost pressures on residential land.
- (2) Help reduce the supply and cost pressures associated with skilled labour.
- (3) Meet its election commitments to -
  - (a) address housing affordability;
  - (b) increase social housing stock; and
  - (c) encourage and enable home ownership.

#### 5. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment tabled, and by leave incorporated into Hansard, documents in relation to the export of lead through the Port of Esperance, being: the Environmental Protection Authority’s report and recommendations for the proposed Magellan lead carbonate project, bulletin 996; the implementation statement and conditions issued pursuant to the provisions of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for the Magellan lead carbonate project, statement 000559; the approval issued pursuant to section 45C of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to vary the Magellan lead carbonate project, statement 000559, dated 29 December 2004; licence 5099 and conditions issued by the Department of Environment and Conservation to the Esperance Port Authority under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* dated 28 September 2006; and the prevention notice issued by DEC under section 73A of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* - DEC No 4 of 2007 - dated 15 March 2007, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Anthony Fels. (Tabled paper 3006).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure tabled, and by leave incorporated into Hansard, documents in relation to details of land releases at the Exmouth Marina and Boat Harbour, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Norman Moore. (Tabled paper 3007).

#### **6. Home Ownership Affordability**

Debate resumed on the amendment, as amended, of Hon Louise Pratt to the motion of Hon Ray Halligan (cf item 4 above).

*Interruption of Debate* [SO 195].

#### **7. Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission - Membership**

The following Message from the Legislative Assembly was reported -

Mr President

Message No. 234

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that the Hon J.H.D Day MLA , has been appointed to the Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr J.N. Hyde MLA.

Hon F. Riebeling MLA

Speaker

Legislative Assembly Chamber

Perth, 15 August 2007

#### **8. Election of Senators Amendment Bill 2007**

The Deputy President reported the receipt of Message No. 235 from the Legislative Assembly forwarding the Bill for concurrence.

The Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Electoral Affairs moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Question - put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

The Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Electoral Affairs moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate stands adjourned.

#### **9. Order of Business**

Ordered - That Order of the Day No. 417, *Supreme Court Amendment Rules 2007 - Disallowance*, No. 418, *Tobacco Products Control Amendment Regulations 2007 - Disallowance*, and Order of the Day No. 450, *Finance Brokers Control (General) Amendment Regulations (No. 3) 2007 - Disallowance*, be taken after Order of the Day No. 300, *Sunset Hospital Site Bill 2006*. (Minister for Local Government).

#### **10. Acts Amendment (Consent to Medical Treatment) Bill 2006**

The Order of the Day having been read, debate resumed on the second reading of this Bill.

Hon Barbara Scott, by leave, tabled an article titled *Enough: The Failure of the Living Will*, by Angela Fagerlin and Carl E. Schneider in the *Hastings Center Report* (March-April 2004). (Tabled paper 3008).

Hon Barbara Scott, by leave, tabled an article titled *A guide for health care professionals implementing a future health care plan* by Catholic Health Australia. (Tabled paper 3009).

Hon Barbara Scott, by leave, tabled an article titled *A guide for people considering their future health care* by Catholic Health Australia. (Tabled paper 3010).

Debate resumed.

*Interruption of Debate* [SO 61(b)].

**11. Adjournment**

The Minister for Local Government moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

The House adjourned at 10.17pm until Thursday, 16 August 2007 at 11.00am.

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

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Shelley Archer, Hon Bruce Donaldson, Hon Nick Griffiths, Hon Sheila Mills and Hon Ken Travers.

**MIA BETJEMAN**

Clerk of the Legislative Council

**HON GEORGE CASH**

Deputy President of the Legislative Council