WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 150

THURSDAY, 16 AUGUST 2007

1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 11.00am pursuant to order.

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

2. Papers

The following Papers were laid on the Table by -

Deputy President

Reports -

Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

Proposals -

3. Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations - Eighth Report - Budget Estimates 2006-2007

Hon Giz Watson presented the Eighth Report of the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations in relation to the Budget Estimates 2006-2007. (Tabled paper 3013).

Hon Giz Watson moved, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be printed.

Question - put and passed.

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 -

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- (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

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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.

Interruption of Debate [SO 195].

5. Consideration of Committee Reports

Pursuant to Standing Orders for the consideration of Committee Reports.

In Committee

(Hon George Cash in the Chair)

Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission - Report No. 12 - Annual Report 2005-2006 - Committee Report

The Order of the day having been read, on the motion of Hon Ray Halligan, That the report be noted.

Debate resumed.

Question - put and passed.

Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation - Report No. 19 - Oaths, Affidavits and Statutory Declarations (Act Amendment) Regulations 2006 - Committee Report

The Order of the day having been called, Hon Ray Halligan moved, That the report be noted.

Question - put and passed.

Standing Committee on Public Administration - Report No. 2 - Compliance of the Department of Health with Recommendations of the Auditor General's 2001 Report on Life Matters - Management of Deliberate Self-Harm in Young People - Committee Report

The Order of the day having been called, Hon Barry House moved, That the report be noted.

Debate ensued.

Interruption of Debate [SO 61A].

The Deputy President resumed the Chair.

The Deputy Chairman of Committees reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the -

- (1) Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission Twelfth Report Annual Report 2005-2006 Committee Report and had noted same.
- (2) Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission Nineteenth Report Oaths, Affidavits and Statutory Declarations (Act Amendment) Regulations 2006 Committee Report and had noted same.
- (3) Standing Committee on Public Administration Report No. 2 Compliance of the Department of Health with Recommendations of the Auditor General's 2001 Report on Life Matters Management of Deliberate Self-Harm in Young People Committee Report, made progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Report adopted.

6. Order of Business

Ordered - That Orders of the Day Nos 417, Supreme Court Amendment Rules 2007 - Disallowance, 418, Tobacco Products Control Amendment Regulations 2007 - Disallowance, 455, Liquor Licensing Amendment Regulations 2007 - Disallowance, 456, Road Traffic (Charges and Fees) Amendment Regulations (No. 3) 2007 - Disallowance and 457, Motor Vehicle Drivers Instructors Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2007 - Disallowance, be taken after Order of the Day No. 300, Sunset Hospital Site Bill 2006. (Leader of the House).

7. Finance Brokers Control (General) Amendment Regulations (No. 3) 2007 - Disallowance - Discharge from Notice Paper

Hon Ray Halligan moved, without notice -

That Order of the Day No. 450, *Finance Brokers Control (General) Amendment Regulations (No. 3)* 2007 - Disallowance, be discharged from the Notice Paper.

Question - put and passed.

8. Acts Amendment (Consent to Medical Treatment) Bill 2006

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

9. **Ouestions Without Notice**

Questions without notice were taken.

The Minister for Child Protection representing the Attorney General tabled an email in relation to a fundraising dinner for the Federal seat of Canning, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Norman Moore. (Tabled paper 3014).

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

Debate resumed on the second reading of this Bill (cf item 8 above).

Hon Norman Moore sought leave of the House to continue his remarks at the next sitting. Leave granted.

On the motion of Hon Ken Baston the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

11. Road Traffic Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2007

The Deputy President reported the receipt of Message No. 233 from the Legislative Assembly forwarding the Bill for concurrence.

The Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Question - put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

The Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate stands adjourned and the Bill referred to Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review.

12. Special Adjournment

The Leader of the House moved, without notice -

That the House at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, 28 August 2007.

Question - put and passed.

13. Adjournment

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

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

The House adjourned at 5.03pm until Tuesday, 28 August 2007 at 3.30pm.

Members present during the day's proceedings

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

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HON GEORGE CASH

Clerk of the Legislative Council

Deputy President of the Legislative Council