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WESTERN AUSTRALIA

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

of the

Joint Sitting of the Two Houses of Parliament

of the

State of Western Australia

**TO CHOOSE A PERSON TO HOLD THE PLACE IN THE SENATE OF THE
COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA RENDERED VACANT BY THE
RESIGNATION OF SENATOR JOE BULLOCK**

**HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 15 OF THE
COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA CONSTITUTION ACT,**

on

THURSDAY, 28 APRIL 2016

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FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTY-NINTH PARLIAMENT
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Extracts from the Minutes of Proceedings**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

THURSDAY, 28 APRIL 2016.

1. Message from Her Excellency the Governor - Senate Vacancy

The President read the following message -

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Council a copy of a despatch which she has received from the Honorable the President of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Australia, notifying that a vacancy has happened in the representation of the State of Western Australia in the said Senate.

2. Joint Sitting to fill Senate Vacancy

The Leader of the House moved, without notice -

That with reference to the message reported to the House by the President on Thursday, 28 April 2016 from Her Excellency the Governor, the Honourable Mr President be requested to confer with the Honourable Mr Speaker in order to fix a day and place whereon and whereat the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly, sitting and voting together, shall choose a person to hold the place of the Senator whose place has become vacant.

Question - put and passed.

3. Statement by President - Joint Sitting to fill Senate Vacancy

The President made the following statement –

I advise Members that I have conferred with the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly in relation to holding a Joint Sitting to fill the vacancy in the Senate created by the resignation of Senator Joe Bullock, and that a Joint Sitting will be held today, Thursday, 28 April 2016 at 11.00 a.m. in the Legislative Council Chamber.

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The Premier, pursuant to the message from her Excellency the Governor advising that a vacancy had occurred in the representation of Western Australia in the Senate, moved -

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Question put and passed.

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JOINT SITTING OF BOTH HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT

THURSDAY, 28 APRIL 2016

1. Opening of the Joint Sitting

Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly met in the Legislative Council Chamber at 11.00 a.m.

The President and the Speaker were announced by the Usher of the Black Rod.

2. Presiding Officer

Pursuant to the Joint Sitting Standing Orders for the Election of a Senator, the Honourable Barry House, President of the Legislative Council, took the Chair as President of the Joint Sitting.

3. Proposal of Candidate

The Premier, Hon. Colin Barnett, proposed that Patrick Lionel Dodson of Morrell Park, Broome, Western Australia, being a person who is eligible to be chosen pursuant to section 15 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, as amended, be chosen to hold the vacant place in the Senate of the Parliament of the Commonwealth created by the resignation of Senator Joe Bullock.

The Premier advised he has received Mr Dodson's assurance that, if chosen, he was willing to act.

The motion was seconded by Hon. Mark McGowan.

Debate ensued.

There being no further nominations, the President declared Patrick Lionel Dodson elected to fill the vacancy.

4. Close of Joint Sitting

The President then declared the Joint Sitting closed at 11.56 a.m.

5. Members of the Legislative Council present at the proceedings

The Honourables Ken Baston, Liz Behjat, Jacqui Boydell, Robin Chapple, Alanna Clohesy, Peter Collier, Stephen Dawson, Kate Doust, Phil Edman, Sue Ellery, Brian Ellis, Donna Faragher, Adele Farina, Dave Grills, Alyssa Hayden, Colin Holt, Barry House, Peter Katsambanis, Robyn McSweeney, Rick Mazza, Helen Morton, Simon O'Brien, Martin Pritchard, Samantha Rowe, Amber-Jade Sanderson, Sally Talbot, Ken Travers.

6. Members of the Legislative Assembly present at the proceedings

Mr P. Abetz, Mr F.A. Alban, Hon. C.J. Barnett, Mr I.M. Britza, Mr V.A. Catania, Mr R.H. Cook, Mr M.J. Cowper, Hon. M. Davies, Hon. J.H.D. Day, Ms W.M. Duncan, Ms E. Evangel, Ms J. Farrer, Ms J.M. Freeman, Mrs G. Godfrey, Hon. B.J. Grylls, Hon. L.M. Harvey, Mr C.D. Hatton, Hon. A.P. Jacob, Mr W.J. Johnston, Mr D.J. Kelly, Mr A. Krsticevic, Hon. F.M. Logan, Hon. W.R. Marmion, Hon. M. McGowan, Mr J.E. McGrath, Ms S. McGurk, Mr P.T. Miles, Hon. A.R. Mitchell, Mr N.W. Morton, Mr J.H. Norberger, Mr P. Papalia, Mr J.R. Quigley, Ms M.M. Quirk, Hon. M.H. Roberts, Ms R. Saffioti, Hon. A.J. Simpson, Hon. M.W. Sutherland, Mr C.J. Tallentire, Mr D.A. Templeman, Mr P.C. Tinley, Hon. T.K. Waldron, Mr B.S. Wyatt.

NIGEL PRATT

Clerk of the Legislative Council

KIRSTEN ROBINSON

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON BARRY HOUSE

President of the Joint Sitting