

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL****THURSDAY, 17 MARCH 2022****10.00am****1. Meeting of Council**

The Council assembled at 10.00am pursuant to order.

The President, Hon Alanna Clohesy, took the Chair.

Prayers and an Acknowledgement of Country were read.

**2. Petition**

Hon Martin Aldridge presented an E-Petition from 2,116 petitioners requesting the Legislative Council to support an inquiry into the electricity network in regional Western Australia. (Tabled Paper 1136).

**3. City of Vincent Local Government Property Local Law 2021 — Disallowance**

Hon Lorna Harper: To move on the next day of sitting —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, the *City of Vincent Local Government Property Local Law 2021* published in the *Gazette* on 30 November 2021 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 7 December 2021 under the *Local Government Act 1995*, be and is hereby disallowed. (Tabled Paper 960).

**4. Cultural Diversity**

Hon Martin Pritchard: To move on the next day of sitting —

That this House —

- (a) acknowledges the extraordinary work and contributions made in our local communities by Western Australians from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, both individuals and groups; and
- (b) acknowledges the extraordinary benefits of multiculturalism to Australian society.

**5. Cannabis Trials for Health Benefits**

Non-Government Business No. 1 having been called, Hon Dr Brian Walker moved, without notice —

That this House —

- (a) notes the promising research which has been published by academics at the Universities of Chicago and Oregon in recent months, suggesting that THC-A, CBG-A and CBD-A (chemicals naturally occurring in the cannabis plant) have the potential to help block infection from the virus that causes COVID-19;

- (b) acknowledges that definitive answers as to the suitability of such treatments for wider use will only come as a result of clinical trials; and
- (c) calls upon the McGowan Government to do all that it can to facilitate such trials here in Western Australia, to the potential benefit of all its citizens.

Debate ensued.

*Motion lapsed.*

## **6. St Patrick's Day**

Non-Government Business No. 2 having been called, Hon Dr Brian Walker moved, without notice —  
Noting that today is St Patrick's Day, this House encourages all those celebrating to enthusiastically embrace the pot at the end of the rainbow.

Debate ensued.

*Interruption pursuant to order.*

## **7. Transport and Infrastructure Projects**

Private Members' Business No. 1 having been called, Hon Klara Andric moved, without notice —  
That this House commends the McGowan Labor Government for its commitment to delivering transport and infrastructure projects and supporting thousands of local Western Australian jobs and local businesses.

Debate ensued.

*Motion lapsed.*

## **8. Mutual Recognition (Western Australia) Amendment Bill 2021**

The Order of the Day having been read for the third reading of this Bill.

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

The Acting President announced that the Deputy Chair of Committees had certified that this was a true copy of the Bill as agreed to in Committee of the Whole House and reported.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a third time and passed.

## **9. Small Business Development Corporation Amendment (COVID-19 Response) Bill 2022**

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

Debate resumed.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Acting President left the Chair.

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### **In Committee**

(Hon Dr Sally Talbot in the Chair)

Clause 1.

Debate ensued.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 2 to 7 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

The Acting President resumed the Chair.

Bill reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Small Business moved, That the Bill be read a third time.

The Acting President announced that the Deputy Chair of Committees had certified that this was a true copy of the Bill as agreed to in Committee of the Whole House and reported.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a third time and passed.

#### **10. Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Bill 2021 and Legal Profession Uniform Law Application (Levy) Bill 2021**

The Orders of the Day for the further consideration of these Bills, in Committee of the Whole House, having been read.

The Acting President left the Chair.

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(Hon Peter Foster in the Chair)

#### ***Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Bill 2021***

Clause 113.

Debate ensued.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General tabled the Legal Profession Uniform Conduct (Barristers) Amendment Rule 2022 (New South Wales). (Tabled Paper 1137).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General tabled the Legal Profession Uniform Law Australian Solicitors' Conduct Amendment Rules 2022 (New South Wales). (Tabled Paper 1138).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General tabled Schedule 1 of the Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Act 2014 (Victoria). (Tabled Paper 1139).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General tabled the Legal Profession Uniform Regulations 2015 (New South Wales) [2015-354]. (Tabled Paper 1140).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General tabled the Legal Practice Board of Western Australia Uniform Law responses to frequently asked questions. (Tabled Paper 1141).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General tabled the Legal Practice Board of Western Australia costs disclosures. (Tabled Paper 1142).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General tabled the Legal Practice Board of Western Australia dispute and complaints resolution fact sheet. (Tabled Paper 1143).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General tabled the Legal Practice Board of Western Australia uniform law transitional arrangements. (Tabled Paper 1144).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General tabled the Legal Practice Board of Western Australia Uniform Law fact sheet. (Tabled Paper 1145).

Debate resumed.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 114.

Debate ensued.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 115 to 117 agreed to.

Clause 118.  
Debate ensued.  
Clause agreed to.  
Clauses 119 to 123 agreed to.  
Clause 124.  
Debate ensued.  
Clause agreed to.  
Clause 125.  
Debate ensued.  
Clause agreed to.  
Clause 126 agreed to.  
Clause 127.  
Debate ensued.  
Clause agreed to.  
Clause 128 agreed to.  
Clause 129.  
Debate ensued.  
Clause agreed to.  
Clause 130 agreed to.  
Clause 131.  
Debate ensued.  
Clause agreed to.  
Clauses 132 to 141 agreed to.  
Clause 142.  
Debate ensued.  
Clause agreed to.  
Clause 143 agreed to.  
Clause 144.  
Debate ensued.  
Clause agreed to.  
Clauses 145 to 149 agreed to.  
Clause 150.  
Debate ensued.  
Clause agreed to.  
Clause 151 agreed to.  
Clause 152.  
Debate ensued.  
Clause agreed to.  
Clauses 153 to 164 agreed to.  
Clause 165.  
Debate ensued.  
Clause agreed to.  
Clauses 166 to 191 agreed to.

Clause 192.

Debate ensued.

### **11. Questions Without Notice**

Questions without notice were taken.

The Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Water, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* information in relation to the Water Corporations review into customer accounts that identified a number of properties that require a non-standard service agreement, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Dr Steve Thomas.

### **12. Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Bill 2021 and Legal Profession Uniform Law Application (Levy) Bill 2021**

Resumption of consideration of the Bills in Committee of the Whole House (*see item 10 above*).  
The President left the Chair.

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#### **In Committee**

(Hon Jackie Jarvis in the Chair)

#### ***Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Bill 2021***

Clause 192.

Debate resumed.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 193 to 201 agreed to.

Clauses 202.

Debate ensued.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 203 to 205 agreed to.

Clause 206.

Debate ensued.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 207 to 215 agreed to.

Clause 216.

Debate ensued.

*Interruption pursuant to order.*

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The President resumed the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the Bill, made progress, and seeks to sit again.

Ordered — That the Committee of the Whole House sit again.

### **13. Members' Statements**

Statements were taken.

#### **14. Forest Products Amendment Bill 2021**

The President reported the receipt of Message No. 54 from the Legislative Assembly forwarding the Bill for concurrence.

The Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Forestry moved, That the Bill be read a first time.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

The Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Forestry moved, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Forestry tabled an Explanatory Memorandum relating to the Bill. (Tabled Paper 1146).

Debate stands adjourned.

#### **15. Adjournment**

The Council adjourned at 6.01pm until Tuesday, 22 March 2022 at 2.00pm.

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

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Sandra Carr, Hon Stephen Dawson, Hon Donna Faragher, Hon Ayor Makur Chuot, Hon Sophia Moermond (*suspended*) and Hon Stephen Pratt.

**SAM HASTINGS**

Acting Clerk of the Legislative Council

**HON ALANNA CLOHESY MLC**

President of the Legislative Council