



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 9 AUGUST 2023

1.00pm

1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 1.00pm pursuant to order.

The President, Hon Alanna Clohesy, took the Chair.

Prayers and an Acknowledgement of Country were read.

2. Statement by President — Amended Non-Government Business Schedule

The President made the following Statement —

In accordance with the past practice of the House, I advise that I have received letters from Hon Dr Steve Thomas and Hon Colin de Grussa advising that they have arranged to swap their parties' Non-Government Business time. The Non-Government Business scheduled for tomorrow, 10 August 2023, is now allocated to the Liberal Party, and the Non-Government Business scheduled for next Thursday, 17 August 2023, is now allocated to the Nationals WA.

The President tabled letters from Hon Dr Steve Thomas and Hon Colin de Grussa requesting a swap of allotted Non-Government Business and an amended Non-Government Business Schedule 2023. (Tabled Paper 2419).

3. Petition

Hon Darren West presented a petition from 771 petitioners requesting the Legislative Council to oppose the proposed Great Southern Landfill Site in York. (Tabled Paper 2420).

4. Papers

The following Papers were laid on the Table by —

President

Auditor General's Papers —

Performance Audit — Requisitioning of COVID-19 Hotels (Report No. 1) (August 2023).....	2417
Financial Audit — Electricity Generation and Retail Corporation (Synergy) (Report No. 2) (August 2023).....	2418

5. End Homelessness

Motion No. 14 having been called, Hon Dr Brad Pettitt, pursuant to notice, moved —

This House acknowledges that it is Homelessness Week and that the theme for 2023 is “It’s time to end homelessness” and calls on the Cook Government to —

- (a) fund housing and homeless services in a manner that will end functional homelessness in Western Australia, and;
- (b) to adopt all of the recommendations of the Inquiry by the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations into Funding of Homelessness Services in Western Australia.

Debate ensued.

The Minister for Agriculture and Food moved, without notice —

To delete all words after “homelessness” and”, and insert —

notes that:

- (a) the Cook Government is currently working with the sector on homelessness commissioning and is investing a record \$2.6 billion investment into housing and homeless services; and
- (b) the Cook Government will provide a fulsome response to the Inquiry by the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations into Funding of Homelessness Services in Western Australia, with regard to a number of homelessness reforms already underway.

Debate ensued.

Amendment — put.

The Council divided.

Ayes (18)

Hon Klara Andric
 Hon Dan Caddy
 Hon Stephen Dawson
 Hon Kate Doust
 Hon Sue Ellery
 Hon Lorna Harper
 Hon Jackie Jarvis
 Hon Ayor Makur Chuot
 Hon Kyle McGinn

Hon Shelley Payne
 Hon Stephen Pratt
 Hon Martin Pritchard
 Hon Samantha Rowe
 Hon Matthew Swinbourn
 Hon Dr Sally Talbot
 Hon Darren West
 Hon Pierre Yang
 Hon Peter Foster (*Teller*)

Noes (12)

Hon Martin Aldridge
 Hon Peter Collier
 Hon Donna Faragher
 Hon James Hayward
 Hon Steve Martin
 Hon Sophia Moermond

Hon Tjorn Sibma
 Hon Dr Steve Thomas
 Hon Neil Thomson
 Hon Wilson Tucker
 Hon Dr Brian Walker
 Hon Dr Brad Pettitt (*Teller*)

Amendment thus passed.

Debate resumed on the motion, as amended.

Motion, as amended — put and passed.

6. Consideration of Committee Reports

Pursuant to order for the consideration of Committee Reports.

In Committee

(Hon Dr Brian Walker in the Chair)

Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation — Report 2 — Annual Report 2021

Debate resumed on the motion of Hon Martin Pritchard, That the Report be noted.

Question — put and passed.

Interruption pursuant to order.

The Deputy President resumed the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the —

Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation — Report 2 — *Annual Report 2021* and had noted same.

Report adopted.

7. Order of Business

Ordered — That Orders of the Day Nos 1, *Shire of Esperance Cat Local Law 2022 — Disallowance*, 2, *Shire of Esperance Dog Local Law 2022 — Disallowance*, 3, *Shire of Wyalkatchem Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2022 — Disallowance*, 4, *Shire of Wyalkatchem Cats Local Law 2022 — Disallowance*, 5, *Shire of Wyalkatchem Public Places and Local Government Property Local Law 2022 — Disallowance*, and 6, *City of Subiaco Waste Local Law 2022 — Disallowance*, be taken after Order of the Day No. 13, *School Education Amendment Bill 2023*. (Minister for Emergency Services).

8. Workers Compensation and Injury Management Bill 2023 and Workers Compensation and Injury Management Amendment Bill 2023

The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill, in Committee of the Whole House, having been read.

The Deputy President left the Chair.

In Committee

(Hon Steve Martin in the Chair)

Workers Compensation and Injury Management Bill 2023

Clause 1.

Debate resumed.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industrial Relations tabled correspondence from Chapman Barristers and Solicitors to the Minister for Industrial Relations (May 2023). (Tabled Paper 2421).

Debate resumed.

9. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

10. Ministerial Statement — Review of Western Australia’s COVID-19 Management and Response

The Leader of the House representing the Premier, by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with respect to the independent review of the Western Australian COVID-19 management and response. The Leader of the House representing the Premier tabled the *Review of Western Australia’s COVID-19 Management and Response (July 2023)* and the Western Australian Government’s response to the review. (Tabled Paper 2422).

11. Workers Compensation and Injury Management Bill 2023 and Workers Compensation and Injury Management Amendment Bill 2023

Resumption of consideration of this Bill in Committee of the Whole House (*see item 8 above*).
The President left the Chair.

In Committee

(Hon Stephen Pratt in the Chair)

Workers Compensation and Injury Management Bill 2023

Clause 1.

Debate resumed.

Clause agreed to.

Interruption pursuant to order.

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.

12. Members’ Statements

Statements were taken.

Hon Dr Brian Walker, by leave, tabled an article entitled State Cannabis Legalisation and Psychosis Related Health Care Utilisation. (Tabled Paper 2423).

13. Adjournment

The Council adjourned at 6.30pm until Thursday, 10 August 2023 at 10.00am.

Members present during the day’s proceedings

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Sandra Carr and Hon Rosetta Sahanna.

SAM HASTINGS
Clerk of the Legislative Council

HON ALANNA CLOHESY MLC
President of the Legislative Council