

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 216

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTIETH PARLIAMENT

TUESDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2020

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 2.00 pm pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

2. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Premier on the temporary extension of the *Lotteries Commission Amendment (COVID-19 Response) Act 2020*.

Paper

The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

By the Premier –

Premier – Notice of Declaration, Pursuant to Section 3B of the Lotteries Commission Act 1990 (3644).

The Minister for Emergency Services on the Youth in Emergency Services program.

The Attorney General on the Work and Development Permit Scheme.

The Treasurer on the Government's relief measures in response to COVID-19.

Paper

The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

By the Treasurer –

Treasurer – Information in relation to various COVID-19 support measures (3645).

The Minister for Housing on the extension of a moratorium on public housing tenant evictions.

3. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 6408 to 6413 were asked.

Questions on Notice Nos 6325 to 6337, 6340, 6341, 6343, 6344 and 6346 to 6363 were answered.

Papers tabled by the Minister for Emergency Services; Corrective Services –

Question on Notice No. 6349 – List of average out of cell hours, number of lockdowns and total hours of lockdowns of each prison facility during 2019–20 (3638).

Question on Notice No. 6350 – List of total capacity and total offender population as at 1 March 2020 and 1 August 2020 (3639).

Paper tabled by the Minister for Housing –

Question on Notice No. 6363 – Housing Stimulus Projects Oversight Committee terms of reference 17 July 2020 (3640).

Papers tabled by the Minister for Community Services –

Question on Notice No. 6335 – List detailing Department of Communities consolidated Senior Executive Service employees for financial years ending 30 June 2017 to 30 June 2020 (3641).

Question on Notice No. 6336 – List detailing Department of Community staff working locations (3642).

Question on Notice No. 6343 – List of Department of Community funding provided to organisations as announced on 15 July 2020 (3643).

4. Petition

Structure of Public Schools in Cannington – Mr W.J. Johnston presented a petition from 211 people asking the Legislative Assembly to recommend that the following schools in Cannington remain in their current structure: Cannington Community College catering for Kindy to year 10 and Sevenoaks Senior College catering for years 11 and 12 (P. 190).

5. Message from the Governor

Message No. 35 from His Excellency the Governor was reported assenting to the COVID-19 Response and Economic Recovery Omnibus Bill 2020, Act No. 34 of 2020.

6. Papers

The following papers were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

By the Clerk –

Bush Fires Act 1954 – Local Laws (City of Albany Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2020 G.G. 07/09/2020) (3623).

Cat Act 2011 – Local Laws (City of Albany Animals Local Law 2020 G.G. 07/09/2020) (3624).

Cat Act 2011 – Local Laws (City of Greater Geraldton Cats Local Law 2020 G.G. 11/09/2020) (3625).

Cemeteries Act 1986 – Local Laws (City of Greater Geraldton Cemeteries Amendment Local Law 2020 G.G. 11/09/2020) (3626).

Fish Resources Management Act 1994 – Management Plans (West Coast Rock Lobster Managed Fishery Management Plan Amendment 2020 G.G. 11/09/2020) (3627).

Land Administration Act 1997 – Proposal: Submission No. 11/2020 under the Act for the cancellation of Class A Reserve 20529 (3628).

Land Administration Act 1997 – Proposal: Submission No. 15/2020 under the Act for the excision from Class A Reserves 24581 and 27575 for Mitchell Freeway extension – Hester Avenue to Romeo Road, City of Wanneroo (3629).

Land Administration Act 1997 – Proposal: Submission No. 9/2020 under the Act for the excision from Class A Reserve 47670 Blackwood River National Park, Shire of Nannup (3630).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (City of Greater Geraldton Dogs Local Law 2020 G.G. 11/09/2020) (3631).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (City of Greater Geraldton Meeting Procedures Amendment Local Law 2020 G.G. 11/09/2020) (3632).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (City of Greater Geraldton Parking Amendment Local Law 2020 G.G. 11/09/2020) (3633).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (City of Greater Geraldton Repeal Local Law 2020 G.G. 11/09/2020) (3634).

Lotteries Commission Act 1990 – Rules (Lotteries Commission (Authorised Lotteries) (Saturday Lotto) Amendment Rules 2020 G.G. 08/09/2020) (3635).

Public Health Act 2016 – Regulations (Public Health Amendment Regulations 2020 G.G. 11/09/2020) (3636).

State Supply Commission – Annual Report 2019–2020 (3637).

7. Notice of Motion

8. Matter of Public Interest – Mental Health of Western Australians

The Speaker informed the Assembly that he was in receipt of a notice from Mrs L.M. Harvey that she intended to move a motion on a matter of public interest.

At least five members having risen in support,

Mrs L.M. Harvey moved,

That this House notes the ongoing economic and employment uncertainty associated with the COVID crisis and calls on the McGowan Government to provide a clinical assessment of what impact this uncertainty will have on the short, medium and long-term mental health of Western Australians.

Debate ensued.

The Minister for Health moved, That all the words following “House” be deleted and that the following words be inserted:

“

acknowledges its support for the hard border and the McGowan Labor Government’s \$5.5 billion Recovery Plan that includes additional resources for mental health.

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Debate ensued.

Amendment put and passed.

On the question, That the motion as amended, be agreed to,

Question put and passed.

Motion, as agreed to by the House –

That this House acknowledges its support for the hard border and the McGowan Labor Government’s \$5.5 billion Recovery Plan that includes additional resources for mental health.

9. Arts and Culture Trust Bill 2020

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate upon the second reading of the bill was read.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Leave was granted to proceed forthwith to the third reading of the bill.

The Minister for Culture and the Arts moved, That the bill be now read a third time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time and forwarded to the Legislative Council for concurrence.

10. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 9.05 pm until Wednesday, 16 September 2020 at 12.00 noon.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Mrs R.M.J. Clarke, Ms J. Farrer, Mr W.R. Marmion, Mr J.E. McGrath and Mr K.J.J. Michel.

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. PETER WATSON
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly