WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 54

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2022

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 12.00 noon pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

2. Petition

Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour in Carnarvon – Mr V.A. Catania presented a petition from 784 people asking the Premier to acknowledge the gravity of the situation in Carnarvon, and to request the immediate deployment of an interagency task force and resources to address antisocial issues. (P. 24).

3. Finance Legislation Amendment (Emergency Relief) Bill 2021

Message No. 37 dated 15 February 2022 from the Legislative Council was reported agreeing to the bill without amendment.

4. Speaker's Statement – Photographs for Historical Record

The Speaker advised that parliamentary officers would take photographs of Chamber proceedings to capture the Legislative Assembly's pandemic response measures for the historical record.

5. Paper

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

Pharmacy Registration Board of Western Australia – Annual Report 2020–2021 (953).

6. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade on consultation undertaken ahead of 2022 'Buy Local Policy' release.

The Minister for Sport and Recreation on the death of dual Olympian, champion hockey player and coach Dr Kathleen Partridge OAM.

The Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests on the record number of nominations for the Western Australian Multicultural Awards 2022, and the introduction of new awards for work in Aboriginal and linguistically diverse communities.

The Minister for Child Protection on the Pre-birth Planning Pilot, a new initiative by the Department of Communities, promoting the safety, wellbeing and health of unborn infants.

The Minister for Small Business on recent small business forums in Kalgoorlie-Boulder, Karratha, Albany and Denmark, for discussion of COVID-19 impacts.

The Minister for Environment on the creation of the new Dryandra Woodland National Park in Western Australia's Wheatbelt region, which protects rich and diverse flora and fauna, and Aboriginal and European cultural sites.

7. Premier's Statement

The Order of the Day for resumption of the debate upon the question, That the Premier's Statement be noted, was read.

Aves (5)

Debate resumed.

Ms M.J. Davies moved, That the following words be added after "noted" –

and that this House condemns the McGowan Government for betraying the trust of West Australians, making decisions based on politics not science and leaving Western Australia indefinitely locked away from the rest of the world.

Debate ensued.

Amendment put.

The Assembly divided.

	Ayes (3)	
Ms M.J. Davies	Mr R.S. Love	Mr P.J. Rundle (Teller)
Dr D.J. Honey	Ms L. Mettam	
	Noes (37)	
Mr G. Baker	Mr W.J. Johnston	Ms A. Sanderson
Ms L.L. Baker	Mr H.T. Jones	Mr D.A.E. Scaife
Ms H.M. Beazley	Ms A.E. Kent	Ms J.J. Shaw
Dr A.D. Buti	Mr P. Lilburne	Mrs J.M.C. Stojkovski
Mr J.N. Carey	Mr M. McGowan	Dr K. Stratton
Mrs R.M.J. Clarke	Ms S.F. McGurk	Mr C.J. Tallentire
Ms C.M. Collins	Mr D.R. Michael	Mr D.A. Templeman
Mr R.H. Cook	Mr K.J.J. Michel	Ms C.M. Tonkin
Ms L. Dalton	Mr S.A. Millman	Mr R.R. Whitby
Mr M.J. Folkard	Ms L.A. Munday	Ms S.E. Winton
Ms M.J. Hammat	Mrs L.M. O'Malley	Ms C.M. Rowe (Teller)
Mr T.J. Healy	Mr D.T. Punch	
Mr M. Hughes	Ms R. Saffioti	

Amendment thus negatived.

Debate interrupted by the Chair and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

8. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Question on Notice No. 355 was asked.

Question on Notice No. 324 was answered.

9. Speaker's Statement – Press Photographs of Remote Participation

The Speaker advised that a press photographer was approved to take photographs from the Press Gallery during the member for Nedlands inaugural remote contribution on the Premier's Statement.

10. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day No. 1 be resumed.

11. Premier's Statement

The Order of the Day for resumption of the debate upon the question, That the Premier's Statement be noted, was read.

Debate resumed.

Dr K. Stratton participated remotely.

Ms C.M. Rowe moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

12. Adjournment

Ms C.M. Rowe moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 6.52 pm until Thursday, 17 February at 9.00 am. *Members present during any part of the day's proceedings* – All the members except Mr S.N. Aubrey, Ms D.G. D'Anna, Ms K.E. Giddens, Ms E.L. Hamilton, Ms J.L. Hanns, Ms E.J. Kelsbie, Dr J. Krishnan, Mr Y. Mubarakai, Mr P. Papalia, Mr S.J. Price, Ms M.M. Quirk, Ms R.S. Stephens and Mr P.C. Tinley.

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTSSpeaker of the Legislative Assembly