

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 171

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

TUESDAY, 19 MARCH 2024

### 1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 1.00 pm pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

### 2. Message from the Governor

Message No. 7 from His Excellency the Governor was reported assenting to the following bills –

Casino (Burswood Island) Agreement Amendment Bill 2023, Act No. 4 of 2024.

Corruption, Crime and Misconduct Amendment Bill 2023, Act No. 5 of 2024.

### 3. Papers

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

By the Clerk –

Planning and Development Act 2005 – Ministerial direction to the State Administrative Tribunal on application for review (DR 33 of 2024) in accordance with section 246 (2) (a) of the Planning and Development Act 2005 (2699).

Professional Standards Act 1997 – Schemes (Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand Professional Standards Scheme (Extension) G.G. 15/03/2024) (2700).

Professional Standards Act 1997 – Schemes (The Bar Association of Queensland Professional Standards Scheme (2024) G.G. 15/03/2024) (2701).

Professional Standards Act 1997 – Schemes (The CPA Australia Ltd Professional Standards (Accountants) Scheme (Extension) G.G. 15/03/2024) (2702).

Western Australian Planning Commission – Improvement Plan No. 60: Yanchep City Centre, January 2024 (2703).

#### **4. Economics and Industry Standing Committee – Extension of Reporting Date**

The Speaker advised that the Economics and Industry Standing Committee had resolved to extend its reporting date to the House on its inquiry into WA Domestic Gas Policy to 13 June 2024.

#### **5. Notices of Motion**

#### **6. Removal of Order of the Day**

The Speaker advised that Private Members' Business Order of the Day, Western Australia's Health System, had not been debated for more than 12 calendar months and had been removed from the Notice Paper.

#### **7. Brief Ministerial Statements**

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Leader of the House on the 30-year anniversary of parliamentary service for the Speaker, Hon Michelle Roberts, MLA.

The Minister for Heritage on the anniversaries of two heritage buildings, Parliament House and His Majesty's Theatre.

The Minister for Sport and Recreation on the retirement of Christina Matthews AM from the role as Chief Executive Officer of the WA Cricket Association.

The Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests on Harmony Week 2024 and the WA Multicultural Award winners.

#### **8. Treasurer's Advance Authorisation Bill 2024**

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

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

#### *CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL*

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3.

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

#### **9. Speaker's Statement – Dinner Break**

The Speaker advised that the House is required to sit beyond 7.00 pm tonight and that there would be a dinner break between 6.00 and 7.00 pm.

#### **10. Questions**

Questions without Notice were taken.

#### *Distinguished Visitors*

The Speaker noted the presence in the Speaker's Gallery of Ms Grace Ioane, Senior Finance Officer and Mr Unuia Unuia, Technical Operations Officer, from the Cook Islands Parliament.

Their visit had been arranged as part of the twinning arrangement between the Western Australia Parliament and the Cook Islands Parliament.

Questions on Notice Nos 1053 to 1055 were asked.

#### **11. Matter of Public Interest – Child Health Resourcing**

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

At least five members having risen in support,

Ms L. Mettam moved,

That this House condemns the Cook Labor government for overseeing a crisis of under-resourced child health, leading to thousands of West Australian children and their families struggling to best support their needs.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

##### **Ayes (6)**

Ms M. Beard  
Dr D.J. Honey

Mr R.S. Love  
Ms L. Mettam

Mr P.J. Rundle  
Ms M.J. Davies (*Teller*)

##### **Noes (47)**

Mr S.N. Aubrey  
Mr G. Baker  
Ms L.L. Baker  
Ms H.M. Beazley  
Dr A.D. Buti  
Mr J.N. Carey  
Ms C.M. Collins  
Mr R.H. Cook  
Ms L. Dalton  
Ms D.G. D'Anna  
Mr M.J. Folkard  
Ms K.E. Giddens  
Ms E.L. Hamilton  
Ms M.J. Hammat  
Mr T.J. Healy  
Mr M. Hughes

Mr W.J. Johnston  
Mr H.T. Jones  
Mr D.J. Kelly  
Ms E.J. Kelsbie  
Ms A.E. Kent  
Dr J. Krishnan  
Mr P. Lilburne  
Mrs M.R. Marshall  
Ms S.F. McGurk  
Mr D.R. Michael  
Mr K.J.J. Michel  
Mr S.A. Millman  
Mr Y. Mubarakai  
Ms L.A. Munday  
Mrs L.M. O'Malley  
Mr P. Papalia

Mr S.J. Price  
Mr D.T. Punch  
Ms M.M. Quirk  
Ms R. Saffioti  
Ms A. Sanderson  
Ms J.J. Shaw  
Ms R.S. Stephens  
Mrs J.M.C. Stojkovski  
Dr K. Stratton  
Mr C.J. Tallentire  
Mr D.A. Templeman  
Ms C.M. Tonkin  
Mr R.R. Whitby  
Ms S.E. Winton  
Ms C.M. Rowe (*Teller*)

Question thus negatived.

#### **12. Variation to the Order of Business**

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

#### **13. Treasurer's Advance Authorisation Bill 2024**

The Order of the Day for the further consideration in detail of the bill was read.

#### *CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL*

Clause 3 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

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

The Treasurer moved, That the bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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

#### **14. Messages from the Legislative Council**

Messages from the Legislative Council were reported returning the following bills without amendment –

19 March 2024

Sentence Administration Amendment (Monitoring Equipment) Bill 2023 (Message No. 125).

School Education Amendment Bill 2023 (Message No. 126).

#### **15. Firearms Bill 2024**

The Order of the Day for the further consideration in detail of the bill was read.

#### *CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL*

Clause 29.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

#### *Ayes (42)*

Mr S.N. Aubrey  
Mr G. Baker  
Ms L.L. Baker  
Ms H.M. Beazley  
Dr A.D. Buti  
Mr J.N. Carey  
Ms C.M. Collins  
Mr R.H. Cook  
Ms L. Dalton  
Ms D.G. D'Anna  
Mr M.J. Folkard  
Ms K.E. Giddens  
Ms E.L. Hamilton  
Ms M.J. Hammat

Mr M. Hughes  
Mr W.J. Johnston  
Mr H.T. Jones  
Mr D.J. Kelly  
Ms E.J. Kelsbie  
Ms A.E. Kent  
Dr J. Krishnan  
Mr P. Lilburne  
Mrs M.R. Marshall  
Ms S.F. McGurk  
Mr D.R. Michael  
Mr K.J.J. Michel  
Mr S.A. Millman  
Ms L.A. Munday

Mrs L.M. O'Malley  
Mr P. Papalia  
Mr S.J. Price  
Mr D.T. Punch  
Ms M.M. Quirk  
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Ms R.S. Stephens  
Dr K. Stratton  
Mr C.J. Tallentire  
Mr D.A. Templeman  
Ms C.M. Tonkin  
Mr R.R. Whitby  
Ms S.E. Winton  
Ms C.M. Rowe (*Teller*)

#### *Noes (6)*

Ms M. Beard  
Ms M.J. Davies

Dr D.J. Honey  
Ms L. Mettam

Mr P.J. Rundle  
Mr R.S. Love (*Teller*)

Question thus passed.

Clause 29 agreed to.

Clause 30.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

Ayes (40)

Mr S.N. Aubrey  
Mr G. Baker  
Ms L.L. Baker  
Dr A.D. Buti  
Mr J.N. Carey  
Ms C.M. Collins  
Ms L. Dalton  
Ms D.G. D'Anna  
Mr M.J. Folkard  
Ms K.E. Giddens  
Ms E.L. Hamilton  
Ms M.J. Hammat  
Mr T.J. Healy  
Mr M. Hughes

Mr W.J. Johnston  
Mr H.T. Jones  
Mr D.J. Kelly  
Ms E.J. Kelsbie  
Ms A.E. Kent  
Mr P. Lilburne  
Mrs M.R. Marshall  
Ms S.F. McGurk  
Ms L. Mettam  
Mr D.R. Michael  
Mr K.J.J. Michel  
Mr S.A. Millman  
Ms L.A. Munday  
Mrs L.M. O'Malley

Mr P. Papalia  
Mr S.J. Price  
Mr D.T. Punch  
Ms M.M. Quirk  
Ms R.S. Stephens  
Dr K. Stratton  
Mr C.J. Tallentire  
Mr D.A. Templeman  
Ms C.M. Tonkin  
Mr R.R. Whitby  
Ms S.E. Winton  
Ms C.M. Rowe (*Teller*)

Noes (4)

Ms M. Beard  
Mr R.S. Love

Mr P.J. Rundle  
Ms M.J. Davies (*Teller*)

Question thus passed.

Clause 30 agreed to.

Clause 31 agreed to.

Clause 32.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

Ayes (38)

Mr S.N. Aubrey  
Mr G. Baker  
Ms L.L. Baker  
Dr A.D. Buti  
Mr J.N. Carey  
Ms C.M. Collins  
Ms L. Dalton  
Ms D.G. D'Anna  
Mr M.J. Folkard  
Ms K.E. Giddens  
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Ms M.M. Quirk  
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Dr K. Stratton  
Mr C.J. Tallentire  
Ms C.M. Tonkin  
Mr R.R. Whitby  
Ms S.E. Winton  
Ms C.M. Rowe (*Teller*)

Noes (5)

Ms M. Beard  
Mr R.S. Love

Ms L. Mettam  
Mr P.J. Rundle

Ms M.J. Davies (*Teller*)

Question thus passed.  
Clause 32 agreed to.  
Clauses 33 to 39 agreed to.  
Clause 40.  
Question put.  
The Assembly divided.

Ayes (38)

Mr S.N. Aubrey  
Mr G. Baker  
Dr A.D. Buti  
Mr J.N. Carey  
Ms C.M. Collins  
Ms L. Dalton  
Ms D.G. D'Anna  
Mr M.J. Folkard  
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Ms M.M. Quirk  
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Mr C.J. Tallentire  
Mr D.A. Templeman  
Ms C.M. Tonkin  
Mr R.R. Whitby  
Ms S.E. Winton  
Ms C.M. Rowe (*Teller*)

Noes (4)

Ms M. Beard  
Mr R.S. Love

Mr P.J. Rundle  
Ms M.J. Davies (*Teller*)

Question thus passed.  
Clause 40 agreed to.  
Clauses 41 to 56 agreed to.  
Clause 57.  
The Minister for Police moved,  
Page 37, lines 1 to 3 — To delete the lines.  
Amendment put and passed.  
Clause 57, as amended, agreed to.  
Clauses 58 to 149 agreed to.  
Clause 150.  
The Leader of the House moved, That the debate be adjourned.  
Question put and passed.

## 16. Speaker's Statement – Legislative Council Message

The Acting Speaker advised that an error in Legislative Council Message No. 126 was reported earlier today. The message advised that the School Education Amendment Bill 2023 had been agreed to without amendment rather than being forwarded for concurrence.

## 17. School Education Amendment Bill 2023

Message No. 126 dated 19 March 2024 from the Legislative Council was reported forwarding for concurrence a bill for “An Act to amend the *School Education Act 1999*.”

Ordered, That the first reading of the bill be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting of the Assembly.

**18. Rail Safety National Law Application Bill 2023**

Message No. 127 dated 19 March 2024 from the Legislative Council was reported agreeing to the bill without amendment.

**19. Adjournment**

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 1.02 am until Wednesday, 20 March 2024 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.L. Hanns, Mr J.R. Quigley, Mr D.A.E. Scaife and Mr P.C. Tinley.

**KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON**  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

**HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTS**  
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly