#### WESTERN AUSTRALIA

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 145

### FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

# THURSDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2023

### 1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 9.00 am pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

# 2. Papers

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

Aboriginal Affairs Planning Authority – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2294).

ChemCentre – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2295).

Coal Miners' Welfare Board of Western Australia – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2296).

Communities, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2297).

Construction Industry Long Service Leave Payments Board – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2298).

Development WA – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2299).

Director of Equal Opportunity in Public Employment – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2300).

Education, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2301).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Office of the Information Commissioner informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report for the Office of the Information Commissioner (2302).

Fire and Emergency Services Superannuation Board – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2303).

Fire and Emergency Services, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2304).

Gold Corporation – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2305).

Governor's Establishment – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2306).

Horizon Power – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2307).

Infrastructure Western Australia – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2308).

Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2309).

Lotterywest – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2310).

Minerals Research Institute of Western Australia – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2311).

Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2312).

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations [Ombudsman] – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2313).

Planning, Lands and Heritage, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2314).

Premier and Cabinet, Department of the – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2315).

Public Sector Commission — Annual Report 2022–2023 (2316).

Public Transport Authority – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2317).

Rottnest Island Authority – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2318).

School Curriculum and Standards Authority – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2319).

Southern Ports Authority – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2320).

State Solicitor's Office – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2321).

Synergy – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2322).

Tourism Western Australia – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2323).

Treasury, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2324).

Western Australian Energy Disputes Arbitrator – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2325).

Western Australian Industrial Relations Commission, Department of the Registrar – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2326).

Western Australian Planning Commission – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2327).

Western Power – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2328).

WorkCover WA – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2329).

Zoological Parks Authority – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2330).

#### 3. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Treasurer on the late tabling of agency Annual Reports.

# **Papers**

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

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Water informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from Bunbury Water Corporation (AQWEST) (2331).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Culture and the Arts informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Reports from the Art Gallery of Western Australia, the Arts and Culture Trust, the Swan Bells Foundation and the Western Australian Museum (2332).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Water informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from Busselton Water (2333).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Attorney General informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Reports from The Public Trustee, the Professional Standards Council and the Corruption and Crime Commission (2334).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Training informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from The Building and Construction Industry Training Board (2335).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Environment informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from The Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (2336).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Health; Mental Health informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Reports from the Department of Health, Child and Adolescent Health Service, East Metropolitan Health Service, North Metropolitan Health Service, South Metropolitan Health Service, WA Country Health Service and PathWest Laboratory Medicine WA (2337).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Attorney General; Minister for Electoral Affairs informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from the Department of Justice (2338).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Culture and the Arts; Sport and Recreation; International Education; Heritage informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (2339).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Regional Development; Disability Services; Fisheries; Seniors and Ageing; Volunteering informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from the Department Primary Industries and Regional Development (2340).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Transport informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from The Department of Transport (2341).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Training; Water; Youth informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Reports from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation and Keep Australia Beautiful Council (2342).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Forestry informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from the Forest Products Commission (2343).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Racing and Gaming informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from the Gaming and Wagering Commission (2344).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Housing informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from the Housing Authority (2345).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Lands informing the House of a late tabling of the 2022–2023 Annual Report from the Western Australian Land Information Authority (Landgate) (2346).

The Minister for Training on the Mission travel to the United Kingdom to bolster Western Australia's green energy workforce.

Paper

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

Trade Mission Travel – Minister for Training – Trade Mission Travel Report, United Kingdom, September 2023 (2347).

#### 4. Grievances

The Deputy Speaker called for grievances which were then made.

### 5. Public Accounts Committee

Mrs L.M. O'Malley, as Chair, presented the following report which was ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

Public Accounts Committee – Annual Report 2022–2023, Report No. 9 (2348).

### 6. Education and Health Standing Committee

Mr C.J. Tallentire, as Chair, presented the following report which was ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

Education and Health Standing Committee – Annual Report 2022–2023, Report No. 5 (2349).

### 7. Withdrawal of Notice of Motion

The Leader of the House withdrew Government Business-Notice of Motion No. 1.

### 8. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Government Business Order of the Day No. 4 be next considered.

### 9. Legal Deposit Amendment Bill 2023

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

Debate resumed.

The Leader of the House moved, That the debate be adjourned until a later stage of the sitting. Question put and passed.

### 10. Personal Explanation

Ms L. Mettam made a personal explanation on the comments made by Liberal Party candidate, Peter Hudson, relating to the Member for Rockingham.

#### 11. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Government Business Order of the Day No. 1 be next considered.

## 12. Aboriginal Heritage Legislation Amendment and Repeal Bill 2023

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the bill having been read, the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs 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.

### 13. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day No. 4 be resumed.

# 14. Legal Deposit Amendment Bill 2023

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

Debate resumed.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Mrs L.M. O'Malley speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

### 15. Members' Statements

The Acting Speaker called for members' statements which were then made.

## 16. Distinguished Visitor

The Speaker noted the presence in the Speaker's Gallery of Mr Tai Tura, Speaker of the Parliament of the Cook Islands.

### 17. **Questions**

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 904 to 912 were asked.

#### 18. Papers

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

Legislative Assembly, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2350).

Legislative Council, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2351).

Parliamentary Services Department – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2352).

By the Clerk -

Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2353).

Burswood Park Board – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2354).

Heritage Council of Western Australia – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2355).

Law Reform Commission of Western Australia – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2356).

Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2357).

National Trust of Western Australia – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2358).

Racing Penalties Appeal Tribunal – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2359).

Swan River Trust – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2360).

Western Australian Electoral Commission – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2361).

### 19. Correction to Tabled Paper

The Speaker announced that she had authorised corrections to the following Tabled Paper tabled on 1 December 2022 –

Housing Authority – Annual Report 2021–2022 (1742).

Paper

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

Housing Authority – Annual Report 2021–2022 – Erratum (2362).

# 20. Correction to Tabled Paper

The Speaker announced that she had authorised corrections to the following Tabled Paper tabled on 17 November 2022 –

Communities, Department of – Annual Report 2021–2022 (1683).

Paper

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

Communities, Department of – Annual Report 2021–2022 – Erratum (2363).

#### 21. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day No. 4 be resumed.

# 22. Legal Deposit Amendment Bill 2023

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

Debate resumed.

The Leader of the House moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

# 23. Special Adjournment

The Leader of the House moved, That the House at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, 10 October 2023 at 1.00 pm.

Question put and passed.

## 24. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 3.17 pm until Tuesday, 10 October 2023 at 1.00 pm. *Members present during any part of the day's proceedings* – All the members except Ms H.M. Beazley, Ms D.G. D'Anna, Ms L. Dalton, Ms K.E. Giddens, Dr D.J. Honey, Mr K.J.J. Michel, Mr Y. Mubarakai, Mr D.T. Punch, Ms M.M. Quirk, Ms A. Sanderson and Ms R.S. Stephens.

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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