

Minutes of Proceedings



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 12 MAY 2021

1.00pm

1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 1.00pm pursuant to order.

The President, Hon Kate Doust, took the Chair.

Prayers and an Acknowledgement of Country were read.

2. Petitions

Hon Robin Scott presented a petition from 78 petitioners requesting the Legislative Council to support the establishment of a committee to investigate corruption and mismanagement in Aboriginal corporations. (Tabled Paper 184).

Hon Colin de Grussa presented a petition from 75 petitioners requesting the Legislative Council to support the alteration of the speed limit of part of Chapman Road, Beresford and the establishment of an additional pedestrian crossing on Chapman Road at the intersection of Chapman Road and Dean Street, Beresford. (Tabled Paper 185).

3. Ministerial Statement — Western Australian Dairy Industry Working Group

The Minister for Agriculture and Food made a Ministerial Statement with respect to the first meeting of the Western Australian Dairy Industry Working Group.

4. Papers

The following Papers were laid on the Table by —

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5. City of Bunbury Public Places and Local Government Property Local Law 2020 — Disallowance

Hon Martin Pritchard: To move on the next day of sitting —

That the *City of Bunbury Public Places and Local Government Property Local Law 2020* published in the *Gazette* on 20 October 2020 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 3 November 2020 under the *Local Government Act 1995*, be and is hereby disallowed.

6. Boxing Contest Rules 2020 — Disallowance

Hon Martin Pritchard: To move on the next day of sitting —

That the *Boxing Contest Rules 2020* published in the *Gazette* on 21 October 2020 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 3 November 2020 under the *Combat Sports Act 1987*, be and is hereby disallowed.

7. Kickboxing Contest Rules 2020 — Disallowance

Hon Martin Pritchard: To move on the next day of sitting —

That the *Kickboxing Contest Rules 2020* published in the *Gazette* on 21 October 2020 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 3 November 2020 under the *Combat Sports Act 1987*, be and is hereby disallowed.

8. MMA Contest Rules 2019 — Disallowance

Hon Martin Pritchard: To move on the next day of sitting —

That the *MMA Contest Rules 2019* published in the *Gazette* on 21 October 2020 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 3 November 2020 under the *Combat Sports Act 1987*, be and is hereby disallowed.

9. Muay Thai Contest Rules 2020 — Disallowance

Hon Martin Pritchard: To move on the next day of sitting —

That the *Muay Thai Contest Rules 2020* published in the *Gazette* on 21 October 2020 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 3 November 2020 under the *Combat Sports Act 1987*, be and is hereby disallowed.

10. Select Committee into the Transparency and Accountability of Government — Establishment

Motion No. 1 having been called, debate resumed on the motion of Hon Nick Goiran as follows —

- (1) That a Select Committee into the Transparency and Accountability of Government is established.
- (2) The Select Committee is to —
 - (a) inquire into the partial non-compliance by Hon Sue Ellery with an order of the Council made on 4 November 2020;
 - (b) identify and inquire into other instances of non-compliance during the 40th Parliament by Ministers with laws and conventions pertaining to transparency and accountability, including but not limited to compliance with section 82 of the *Financial Management Act 2006*;
 - (c) monitor compliance with such laws and conventions for the duration of the 41st Parliament and inquire into any instances of non-compliance;

- (d) identify new proposals, initiatives and reforms that may enhance transparency and accountability of Ministers and the departments and agencies for which they are responsible; and
- (e) consider any other relevant matter.
- (3) The Select Committee shall consist of 5 members and comprise a majority of non-government members which is to include at least three members of the official opposition.
- (4) The Chair of the Select Committee shall be a member of the official opposition.
- (5) The Select Committee shall report from time to time on its progress and table its final report by no later than 28 November 2024.

Hon Nick Goiran, by leave, withdrew Motion No. 1, *Select Committee into the Transparency and Accountability of Government — Establishment*, from the Notice Paper.

11. Cyclone Seroja and recent bushfires

Motion No. 2 having been called, the Leader of the House, pursuant to notice, moved —

That this House acknowledges the devastating impact that cyclone Seroja and the recent bushfires have had on Western Australian communities and commends our emergency services for putting themselves in danger to protect Western Australians and to ensure the recovery of those communities.

Debate ensued.

Interruption pursuant to order.

12. Address-In-Reply

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the Address-in-Reply.

Debate resumed.

On the motion of Hon Colin de Grussa the debate was adjourned to a later stage of this day's sitting.

13. Order of Business

Ordered — That Bills for Introduction be taken forthwith. (Leader of the House).

14. Veterinary Practice Bill 2021

The Minister for Agriculture and Food, pursuant to notice, moved —

That a Bill for “An Act —

- to provide for the regulation of the practice of veterinary medicine in Western Australia; and
- to facilitate the regulation of the practice of veterinary medicine on a national basis; and
- to repeal the *Veterinary Surgeons Act 1960* and the *Veterinary Surgeons Regulations 1979*; and
- to make consequential amendments to various Acts; and
- for related purposes.” be introduced and read a first time..”

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

The Minister for Agriculture and Food moved, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Minister for Agriculture and Food tabled an Explanatory Memorandum relating to the Bill. (Tabled Paper 186).

Debate stands adjourned and Bill referred to the Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review [SO 126].

15. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

The Leader of the House representing the Premier tabled a memorandum in relation to updating the Lotterywest and Healthway funding policies, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Peter Collier. (Tabled Paper 187).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Electoral Affairs tabled correspondence in relation to the Ministerial Expert Committee on Electoral Affairs, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Tjorn Sibma. (Tabled Paper 188).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* information in relation to statutory reviews of legislation within the Attorney General's portfolio's that are currently outstanding and the date they were due, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Alison Xamon.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Electoral Affairs tabled documents in relation to the Code of Conduct and Declaration form relating to the expectation of employees of the Ministerial Expert Committee on Electoral Affairs of political neutrality, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Martin Aldridge. (Tabled Paper 189).

The Minister for Mental Health tabled a list of service providers with contract extensions by the Mental Health Commission, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Donna Faragher. (Tabled Paper 190).

16. Order of Business

Ordered — That Order of the Day No. 1, *Address-in-Reply*, be taken forthwith. (Leader of the House).

17. Address-In-Reply

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the Address-in-Reply.

Debate resumed.

On the motion of Hon Colin de Grussa the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

18. Order of Business

Ordered — That Members' Statements be taken forthwith. (Leader of the House).

19. Members' Statements

Statements were taken.

20. Adjournment

The Council adjourned at 5.47pm until Thursday, 13 May 2021 at 10.00am.

Members present during the day's proceedings

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Charles Smith.

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Clerk of the Legislative Council

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President of the Legislative Council