

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 31

FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTY-EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY 2009

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 12.00 noon pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

Prayers were read.

2. Speaker's Statement - Winner of the Margaret Medcalf Award

The Speaker advised members that the winner of the Margaret Medcalf Award for Excellence in Referencing and Research for 2009 was Isla Macphail, Parliamentary Officer - Chamber Operations. Isla won the award for her publication *Highest Privilege and Bounden Duty: A Study of Western Australian Parliamentary Elections 1829–1901*. On behalf of the House, the Speaker congratulated Isla on winning the award.

3. Message from the Governor

Message No. 48 from His Excellency the Governor was reported assenting to the Building and Construction Industry Training Fund and Levy Collection Amendment Bill 2009, Act No. 6 of 2009.

4. Paper

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

By the Speaker –

Auditor General of Western Australia, Office of the - Coming, Ready or Not: Preparing for Large-scale Emergencies, Report 4, May 2009 (915).

5. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Indigenous Affairs on recent appointments to the Aboriginal Cultural Material Committee (ACMC).

The Minister for Emergency Services on the funding secured for Western Australia's Urban Search and Rescue Taskforce.

The Minister for Water on the progress of an independent review into options to reduce salinity levels in the Collie River Basin.

6. Precedence of Private Members' Business

The Leader of the House, pursuant to notice, moved,

That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as is necessary to enable Private Members' Business to have priority on Wednesday, 20 May 2009 from 4.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

7. Revenue Laws Amendment (Taxation) Bill 2009

The Treasurer, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for "An Act to amend –

- the *Land Tax Assessment Act 2002*; and
 - the *Land Tax Act 2002*; and
 - the *Metropolitan Region Improvement Tax Act 1959*,
- and for related matters." be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Treasurer presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

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

Ms R. Saffioti moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

8. Appropriation (Consolidated Account) Recurrent 2009-10 Bill 2009 Appropriation (Consolidated Account) Capital 2009-10 Bill 2009

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 (Mr C.J. Tallentire speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

9. Questions

Questions without notice were taken.

Question on Notice No. 936 was asked.

10. Messages from the Governor

Messages from His Excellency the Governor were reported recommending the purpose of the appropriations for the following bills –

Loan Bill 2009 (Message No. 50).

Appropriation (Consolidated Account) Recurrent 2009-10 Bill 2009 (Message No. 51).

Appropriation (Consolidated Account) Capital 2009-10 Bill 2009 (Message No. 52).

11. Variation to the Order of Business

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

**12. Appropriation (Consolidated Account) Recurrent 2009-10 Bill 2009
Appropriation (Consolidated Account) Capital 2009-10 Bill 2009**

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 (Mr T.G. Stephens speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

13. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Private Members' Business Notice of Motion No. 12 be next considered.

14. Regional Projects and Programmes

Ms A.J.G. MacTiernan, pursuant to notice, moved,

That this House condemns the Minister for Regional Development for axing and deferring significant projects and programmes across regional Western Australia in defiance of his promise that Royalties for Regions funding would be over and above existing budget commitments.

Debate ensued.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Minister for Regional Development speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

15. Estimates Management Committee Report

The Leader of the House presented the Report of the Management Committee for the Estimates Committees 2009

Paper

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

By the Leader of the House –

Estimates Committees 2009 - Report of the Management Committee for the Estimates Committees 2009 (916).

Question proposed, That the report be adopted.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

16. Variation to the Order of Business

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

17. Appropriation (Consolidated Account) Recurrent 2009-10 Bill 2009
Appropriation (Consolidated Account) Capital 2009-10 Bill 2009

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.

18. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly, at 10.16 p.m. until Thursday, 21 May 2009 at 9.00 a.m.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings - All the members except Mrs C.A. Martin and Mr D.T. Redman.

PETER J. McHUGH
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. GRANT WOODHAMS
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly