



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

THURSDAY, 29 FEBRUARY 2024

10.00am

1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 10.00am pursuant to order.
The President, Hon Alanna Clohesy, took the Chair.
Prayers and an Acknowledgement of Country were read.

2. Papers

The following Papers were laid on the Table by —

President

Reports —

Report of Interstate and Overseas Travel Undertaken by Members and Officers of the Legislative Council on Official Business Funded by the Department of the Legislative Council (for the six months ended 31 December 2023) (February 2024)2985

Leader of the House

Reports —

Energy Safety Business Plan (2024-25)2986

Minister for Agriculture and Food

Annual Reports —

CBH Group (2022-23) (Date received 28/02/2024)2987

3. Plan for Parks program

Hon Shelley Payne: To move on the next day of sitting —

That this House commends the Cook Government for the implementation of their Plan for Parks program, which is the largest expansion of the conservation estate in the State's history.

4. Protecting jobs in the resource sector

Non-Government Business No. 1 having been called, Hon Neil Thomson moved, without notice —

That the Legislative Council condemns the Cook Government's failure to protect thousands of jobs, including those in our resources and value adding sector, and calls on the Cook Government to urgently:

- (a) address the massive uncertainty facing important value adding sectors associated with our critical minerals and resources industry;

- (b) address the delays affecting our State's environmental decision making processes;
- (c) stand up for Western Australia against the rapacious Federal Government as it imposes unworkable new laws and debilitating Canberra based ideas which don't account for our unique circumstances;
- (d) show compassion for those workers directly affected by the shutdown of Alcoa's Kwinana refinery and the shutdowns and uncertainty in our nickel industry; and
- (e) start treating our workers in these communities, particularly those in the vital services sector, with respect.

Debate ensued.

Motion lapsed.

5. Intervention programs for family and domestic violence perpetrators

Private Members' Business No. 1 having been called, Hon Lorna Harper moved, without notice —
That this House —

- (a) Recognise the role of intervention programs for perpetrators as an important measure to address family and domestic violence in WA; and
- (b) commends the Cook Government's record of investment of more than \$300m since 2017 in family and domestic violence initiatives, including recent investments in intervention programs for perpetrators.

Debate ensued.

Motion lapsed.

6. Corruption, Crime and Misconduct Amendment Bill 2023

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the second reading of this Bill.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Deputy President left the Chair.

In Committee

(Hon Martin Aldridge in the Chair)

Clause 1.

Debate ensued.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 2.

Debate ensued.

Clauses 3 to 4 agreed to.

Clause 5.

Debate ensued.

7. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Donna Faragher.

The Leader of the House representing the Minister for Public Sector Management, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Dr Steve Thomas. The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Culture and the Arts, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a response to question on notice asked by Hon Peter Collier.

8. Corruption, Crime and Misconduct Amendment Bill 2023

Resumption of consideration of this Bill in Committee of the Whole House (*see item 6 above*).
The President left the Chair.

In Committee

(Hon Dr Sally Talbot in the Chair)

Clause 5.

Debate resumed.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney General moved, That the Deputy Chair report progress and seek to sit again.

Question — put and passed.

The President resumed the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the Bill, made progress, and seeks to sit again.

Ordered — That the Committee of the Whole House sit again.

9. Members' Statements

Statements were taken.

The Hon Dr Brad Pettitt, by leave, tabled Correspondence from Ruby, Harry and Aoife requesting the Government maintain the Perth Cultural Centre Wetlands. (Tabled Paper 2788).

10. Adjournment

The Council adjourned at 5.44pm until Tuesday, 12 March 2024 at 1.00pm.

Members present during the day's proceedings

Attendance: Present all Members Hon Stephen Dawson, Hon Kyle McGinn, Hon Rosetta Sahanna.

SAM HASTINGS

Clerk of the Legislative Council

HON ALANNA CLOHESY MLC

President of the Legislative Council