

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 154

FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

THURSDAY, 30 AUGUST 2007

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 9.00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment.

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair.

Prayers were read.

2. Public Accounts Committee - Extension of Reporting Date

The Deputy Speaker advised members that the Speaker had received a letter dated 29 August 2007 from Mr J.R. Quigley MLA, Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, advising that the Committee had resolved to extend the reporting date for its Inquiry into Funding Arrangements for Western Australian Infrastructure Projects to 1 June 2008.

3. Papers

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

By the Deputy Speaker -

Auditor General, Office of the [OAG] - Annual Report 2006-2007 (3065).

By the Clerk -

Land Administration Act 1997 - Proposal No. 9/2007 under section 42(4) of the Act, in relation to excision from 'A' class reserve 16245 to complete the link road between the Koorda-Wondan Hills Road and the Dowerin-Koorda Road, 11 August 2007 (3066).

4. Brief Ministerial Statements

The following Brief Ministerial Statements were made by -

The Attorney General on the construction of the new District Court building on the corner of Hay and Irwin Streets, Perth.

The Minister for Energy on the key recommendations of the report into the affordability of bottled liquefied petroleum gas for household use in Western Australia.

Paper

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

By the Minister for Energy -

LPG Gas - Inquiry into the Affordability of Bottled Liquified Petroleum Gas (LPG) for Household Use in Western Australia, June 2007 (3067).

The Minister for Planning and Infrastructure on the appointment of Eric Lumsden as Director General of the Department for Planning and Infrastructure.

The Minister for Health on an article in *The West Australian* newspaper on Monday, 27 August 2007 regarding mental health nurses recruited from overseas.

5. Grievances

The Deputy Speaker called for grievances which were then made.

6. Suspension of Standing Orders - Ministerial Statement by the Premier

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

That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as is necessary to enable -

- (a) the Premier to make a ministerial statement today for a maximum of 60 minutes;
- (b) the Leader of the Opposition or a member deputed by him to respond for a maximum of 45 minutes; and
- (c) the Leader of the National Party or member deputed by him to respond for a maximum of 15 minutes.

Question put and passed.

7. Ministerial Statement by the Premier

The Premier, pursuant to the foregoing motion, made a Ministerial Statement on indigenous affairs in Western Australia.

Dr K.D. Hames and Mr D.T. Redman responded.

8. Economics and Industry Standing Committee

Mr R.C. Kucera, as Chairman, presented the following report which was ordered to lie upon the Table of the House -

Economics and Industry Standing Committee - Annual Report 2006-2007, Report No. 7 (3068).

Mr R.C. Kucera spoke on the report.

9. Eastern Goldfields Transport Board Repeal Bill 2007

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

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

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

The Minister for Planning and Infrastructure 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.

10. Rottnest Island Authority Amendment Bill 2007

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

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clause 4.

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

11. Members' Statements

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

12. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Question on Notice No. 2267 was asked.

Questions on Notice Nos 2325 and 2328 were answered.

Paper tabled by the Minister for Housing and Works -

Question on Notice No. 2328 - Housing Statistics (3069).

13. Speaker's Statement - Resignation of Tony Melia

The Speaker advised members of the resignation of Mr Tony Melia following 19 years of service in the Legislative Assembly and thanked him for his contribution.

14. Personal Explanation

Mr T.R. Buswell made a personal explanation on the comments made yesterday by the Minister for the South West regarding Mr Buswell's directorship of a number of companies and the development of land in Busselton.

15. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Government Business Order of the Day No. 2 be resumed.

Rottnest Island Authority Amendment Bill 2007

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

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clause 4.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

Ayes (42)

Mr C.J. Barnett
Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan
Mr M.J. Birney
Mr T.R. Buswell
Mr A.J. Carpenter
Dr E. Constable
Mr M.J. Cowper
Mr J.H.D. Day
Dr J.M. Edwards
Mrs D.J. Guise
Dr K.D. Hames
Ms K. Hodson-Thomas
Mrs J. Hughes
Mr J.N. Hyde

Mr R.F. Johnson
Mr J.C. Kobelke
Mr R.C. Kucera
Mr F.M. Logan
Ms A.J.G. MacTiernan
Mr J.A. McGinty
Mr M. McGowan
Mr J.E. McGrath
Ms S.M. McHale
Mr A.D. McRae
Mrs C.A. Martin
Mr M.P. Murray
Mr A.P. O’Gorman
Mr P.D. Omodei

Mr P. Papalia
Mr J.R. Quigley
Ms J.A. Radisich
Mr D.T. Redman
Mrs M.H. Roberts
Mr A.J. Simpson
Mr G. Snook
Mr T.R. Sprigg
Mr D.A. Templeman
Dr S.C. Thomas
Ms S.E. Walker
Mr P.B. Watson
Mr B.S. Wyatt
Mr S.R. Hill (*Teller*)

Noes (1)

Dr J.M. Woollard (*Teller*)

Clause thus agreed to.

Clause 5.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

Ayes (39)

Mr C.J. Barnett
Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan
Mr M.J. Birney
Mr T.R. Buswell
Dr E. Constable
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Clause thus agreed to.

Clause 6 agreed to.

Clause 7.

Dr J.M. Woollard moved –

Page 5, line 17 – To delete the line.

Amendment put.

The Assembly divided.

Ayes (1)

Dr J.M. Woollard (*Teller*)

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Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan
Mr M.J. Birney
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Mr A.J. Carpenter
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Mr S.R. Hill (*Teller*)

Amendment thus negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 8 agreed to.

Clause 9.

The Leader of the House moved, That the debate be adjourned until a later stage of the day's sitting.

Question put and passed.

Surrogacy Bill 2007

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

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clauses 7 to 12 agreed to.

Clause 13.

Mr M.J. Birney moved -

Page 5, after line 12 - To insert -

“

- (2) For the purpose of this Act it is deemed to be in the best interests of the child for the arranged parents to be responsible for the care of the child, unless the contrary can be proved.”

Amendment put.

Paper

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

By the Minister for Health -

Human Reproductive Technology Act 1991 - Directions on Surrogacy: Given by the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Health to set the standards of practice for surrogacy under the *Human Reproductive Technology Act 1991* on the advice of the WA Reproductive Technology Council (3070).

The Minister for Health moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

18. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day No. 2 be resumed.

Rottneest Island Authority Amendment Bill 2007

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

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clauses 9 to 23 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

The Leader of the House moved, That the third reading of the bill be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting of the Assembly.

Question put and passed.

20. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly, at 5.24 p.m. until Tuesday, 4 September 2007 at 2.00 p.m.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings - All the members except Mr P.W. Andrews, Mr J.J.M. Bowler, Mr G.M. Castrilli, Mr B.J. Grylls, Dr G.G. Jacobs, Ms M.M. Quirk, Mr M.W. Trenorden, Mr T.K. Waldron and Mr G.A. Woodhams.

PETER J. McHUGH
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. FRED RIEBELING
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly