

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 161

FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

TUESDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2007

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 2.00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment.

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair.

Prayers were read.

2. Brief Ministerial Statement

The following Brief Ministerial Statement was made by -

The Minister for the Environment on the proclamation of the Swan and Canning Rivers Management Act 2006.

3. Distinguished Visitors

The Deputy Speaker noted the presence in the Speaker's Gallery of the Chairman and members of the Queensland Parliament's Public Works Committee.

4. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 2716 and 2717 were asked.

Questions on Notice Nos 2548, 2563, 2605, 2608, 2616, 2636, 2646, 2650, 2660, 2662, 2674 and 2678 were answered.

5. Petitions

Multi Purpose Taxi Service - Petitions requesting that the Legislative Assembly ensure that the Government urgently addresses the inadequacy of the existing Multi Purpose Taxi Service by requiring all taxis in Western Australia to have the capacity to transport people of all abilities, including people who need to travel in their wheelchair, were presented by -

Mr A.D. McRae from 3 persons (P. 247);

Mr J.N. Hyde from 4 persons (P. 248);
 Mr P. Papalia from 10 persons (P. 250);
 Ms M.M. Quirk from 4 persons (P. 251); and
 Ms M.M. Quirk from 4 persons (P. 252).

Prostitution Legalisation - Mr P.D. Omodei presented a petition from 1,951 persons requesting that the Parliament does not legalise any aspect of the trade of prostitution in Western Australia (P. 249).

6. Papers

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

By the Deputy Speaker –

Legislative Assembly, Department of the - Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2007 (3139).

Parliamentary Services Department - Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2007 (3140).

By the Clerk –

Betting Control Act 1954 - Regulations (Betting Control Amendment Regulations (No. 3) 2007 G.G. 18/09/2007) (3124).

Electoral Commission, Western Australia - Annual Report 2006-2007 (3125).

Genetically Modified Crops Free Areas Act 2003 - Orders (Genetically Modified Crops Free Areas Exemption Order (No. 3) 2007 G.G. 18/09/2007) (3126).

Gold Corporation - Annual Report 2006-2007 (3127).

Government Employees Superannuation Board - Annual Report 2006-2007 (3128).

Health Act 1911 - Local Laws (Shire of Wiluna Health Local Laws 2007 G.G. 17/09/2007) (3129).

Health Act 1911 - Notices (Shire of Northam - Fees and Charges G.G. 21/09/2007) (3130).

Industrial Relation Commission, Department of the Registrar, Western Australia - Annual Report 2006-2007 (3131).

Legal Aid Western Australia - Annual Report 2006-2007 (3132).

Murdoch University Act 1973 - Statutes (Murdoch University - Amending Statute No. 17 - Guild of Students G.G. 21/09/2007) (3133).

Murdoch University Act 1973 - Statutes (Murdoch University - Amending Statute No. 5 - Academic Council G.G. 21/09/2007) (3134).

Racing and Wagering Western Australia Act 2003 - Regulations (Racing and Wagering Western Australia Amendment Regulations 2007 G.G. 18/09/2007) (3135).

Racing and Wagering Western Australia Act 2003 - Rules (Rules of Wagering Amendment Rules 2007 G.G. 18/09/2007) (3136).

Surveillance Devices Act 1998 - Regulations (Surveillance Devices Amendment Regulations 2007 G.G. 21/09/2007) (3137).

Training Accreditation Council - Annual Report 2006-2007 (3138).

Police Service, Western Australia - Annual Report 2006-2007 under the *Surveillances Devices Act 1998* (3141).

7. Education and Health Standing Committee - Reporting Date

The Deputy Speaker advised members that the Speaker had received a letter dated 20 September 2007 from Mr T.G. Stephens MLA, Chairman of the Education and Health Standing Committee, advising

that the Committee will now report to the Legislative Assembly on its Inquiry into Successful Initiatives in Remote Aboriginal Communities by 20 November 2008.

8. Notices of Motion

9. Matter of Public Interest - Distribution Headworks Scheme

The Deputy Speaker informed the Assembly that she was in receipt of a notice from Mr D.T. Redman that he intended to move a motion on a matter of public interest.

At least five members having risen in support,

Mr D.T. Redman moved,

That this House condemns the Government for its newly released Distribution Headworks Scheme as a hindrance to regional development, and calls on the Government to fully fund power capacity upgrades to distribution infrastructure in the SWIS through Community Service Obligation support.

Debate ensued.

The Minister for Energy moved, To delete all words after “House” and substitute the following -

“ acknowledges –

- (1) the Government’s newly released Distribution Headworks Scheme and its contribution to regional development;
- (2) the call to fund power capacity upgrades to distribution infrastructure in the SWIS; and
- (3) that the Government has met this call through an automatically applied Community Service Obligation support scheme that is part of the new Headworks Scheme. ”.

On the question, That the words be deleted,

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

Ayes (26)

Mr P.W. Andrews
Mr A.J. Carpenter
Mr J.B. D’Orazio
Dr J.M. Edwards
Mrs D.J. Guise
Mr J.N. Hyde
Mr J.C. Kobelke
Mr R.C. Kucera
Mr F.M. Logan

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Ms S.M. McHale
Mr A.D. McRae
Mrs C.A. Martin
Mr M.P. Murray
Mr A.P. O’Gorman
Mr P. Papalia
Mr J.R. Quigley
Ms M.M. Quirk

Ms J.A. Radisich
Mr E.S. Ripper
Mrs M.H. Roberts
Mr T.G. Stephens
Mr D.A. Templeman
Mr P.B. Watson
Mr M.P. Whitely
Mr S.R. Hill (*Teller*)

Noes (22)

Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan
Mr M.J. Birney
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Mr G.M. Castrilli
Dr E. Constable
Mr M.J. Cowper
Mr J.H.D. Day
Mr B.J. Grylls

Dr K.D. Hames
Ms K. Hodson-Thomas
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Mr R.F. Johnson
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Mr D.T. Redman
Mr A.J. Simpson
Mr G. Snook

Dr S.C. Thomas
Mr M.W. Trenorden
Ms S.E. Walker
Mr G.A. Woodhams
Dr J.M. Woollard
Mr T.R. Sprigg (*Teller*)

Question thus passed.

On the question, That the words to be inserted, be inserted,

Question put and passed.

On the question, That the motion, as amended, be agreed to,

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

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Question thus passed.

10. Notices of Motion Lapsed - Removal from Notice Paper

The Acting Speaker advised that in accordance with Standing Order No. 74, Private Members' Notices of Motion Nos 1 and 2, notice of which were given on 13 September 2006 and renewed for a further 30 sitting days on 27 March 2007, would be removed and would not appear on the next Notice Paper.

The Acting Speaker also advised that Private Members' Notice of Motion No. 6, notice of which was given on 23 March 2007 had lapsed and, unless the member indicated otherwise, would be removed from the Notice Paper.

11. Order of the Day Lapsed under Standing Order No. 144A

The Acting Speaker advised members that in accordance with Standing Order No. 144A, Private Members' Business Order of the Day, Police (Compensation for Injured Officers) Amendment Bill 2006, which was on the previous Notice Paper as 'Awaiting Governor's Message' and had not been debated for more than twelve calendar months, had been removed from the Notice Paper.

The Acting Speaker advised members that a Bill removed under this Standing Order may be restored by motion to the point it reached prior to its removal.

12. Additional Information under Standing Order No. 82A

In accordance with Standing Order No. 82A, the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure provided additional information relating to Question without Notice No. 524 from Dr G.G. Jacobs relating to dust monitoring results in Esperance.

13. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Government Business Order of the Day No. 5 be next considered.

14. Prostitution 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.

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

Question put and passed.

15. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly, at 9.00 p.m. until Wednesday, 26 September 2007 at 12 noon.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings - All the members except Mr J.J.M. Bowler, Mr J.A. McGinty, Mr M. McGowan, Mr F. Riebeling, Mr T.K. Waldron and Mr B.S. Wyatt.

PETER J. McHUGH

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

DIANNE GUISE

Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Assembly