

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 132

WEDNESDAY, 2 MAY 2007

1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 4.00pm pursuant to order.

The President, Hon Nick Griffiths, took the Chair and read prayers.

2. Petition

Hon Helen Morton presented a petition from 3 356 residents of Western Australia calling on the Legislative Council to urge the Minister for Energy, Resources, Industry and Enterprise and Western Power to ensure that essential power infrastructure is satisfactorily upgraded immediately to rectify the continual power outages in the Kelmscott, Armadale, Gosnells, Westfield and surrounding suburbs. (Tabled paper 2633).

3. Ministerial Statement - Racing and Wagering Western Australia - Kalgoorlie Board Meeting

The Minister for Racing and Gaming made a Ministerial Statement with respect to Racing Industry distributions.

Ordered - That consideration of the Ministerial Statement be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

4. Papers

The following Papers were laid on the Table by -

Minister for Local Government

Annual Reports -

Pilbara TAFE (for the year ended 31 December 2006) (Date received 01 May 2007) 2631

Parliamentary Secretary representing the Deputy Premier on behalf of the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

Proposals -

Land Administration Act 1997 - Excision of Land from Class A Reserve 39822 for
the purpose of Road Dedication 2632

5. Standing Committee on Public Administration - Fourth Report - A matter arising from the Committee's Annual Report 2006 - Management of Asbestos Containing Materials in Western Australian Schools

Hon Ed Dermer presented the Fourth Report of the Standing Committee on Public Administration in relation to A matter arising from the Committee's Annual Report 2006 - Management of Asbestos Containing Materials in Western Australian Schools. (Tabled paper 2634).

Hon Ed Dermer moved, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be printed.

Question - put and passed.

6. Governance and Administration in Western Australia

Motion No. 52 having been read, debate resumed on the motion of Hon Norman Moore as follows -

That this House expresses its grave concern at the significant deterioration in the governance and administration of the State of Western Australia resulting from a Government preoccupied with continued internal division and conflict, manipulated by outside influences and increasingly demonstrating serious signs of dysfunctionality, and calls on the Government to urgently address the issues raised by the Corruption and Crime Commission and refocus its attention on restoring public confidence in the capacity of the Government to govern for all West Australians without fear or favour.

7. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

The Leader of the House on behalf of the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services tabled, and by leave incorporated into Hansard, an answer in relation to police officers on leave without pay as at 31 March 2007, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon George Cash. (Tabled paper 2635).

The Leader of the House in accordance with Standing Order No 138(d), tabled a list of outstanding questions on notice Nos 4476, 4478, 4498, 4509, 4514, 4515, 4519, 4520 and 4521 asked by Hon Peter Collier and a list of outstanding questions on notice Nos 4533, 4564, 4570, 4574, 4575, 4576, 4588, 4608, 4609, 4619, 4624, 4625, 4643, 4663, 4665, 4671, 4674, 4679 and 4680 asked by Hon Ray Halligan and advised that they will be answered when the answers become available. (Tabled paper 2636).

The Minister for Local Government in accordance with Standing Order No 138(d), advised that an answer to questions on notice Nos 4453, 4454, 4455 and 4456 asked by Hon Giz Watson will be provided by 29 May 2007.

The Minister for Local Government in accordance with Standing Order No 138(d), advised that an answer to questions on notice Nos 4458, 4459, 4460, 4461, 4462 and 4463 asked by Hon Peter Collier will be provided by 29 May 2007.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Deputy Premier on behalf of the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure in accordance with Standing Order No 138(d), advised that an answer to question on notice No. 4443 asked by Hon Simon O'Brien will be provided by 8 May 2007.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Deputy Premier on behalf of the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure in accordance with Standing Order No 138(d), advised that an answer to question on notice No. 4448 asked by Hon Ray Halligan will be provided by 19 June 2007.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Deputy Premier on behalf of the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure in accordance with Standing Order No 138(d), advised that an answer to question on notice No. 4464 asked by Hon George Cash will be provided by 19 June 2007.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Deputy Premier on behalf of the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure in accordance with Standing Order No 138(d), advised that an answer to question on notice No. 4469 asked by Hon Ken Baston will be provided by 19 June 2007.

8. Governance and Administration in Western Australia

Debate resumed on the motion of Hon Norman Moore (cf item 6 above).

Interruption of Debate [SO 195].

9. Order of Business

Ordered - That Orders of the Day Nos 379, *Clauses 3 and 10 of the Fish Resources Management Amendment Regulations (No. 8) 2006 - Disallowance*, 380, *Environmental Protection (Regional Power Stations Noise Emissions) Exemption Order 2006 - Disallowance*, be taken after Order of the Day No. 300, *Sunset Hospital Site Bill 2006*. (Leader of the House).

10. Local Government Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2006

The Order of the Day having been read for the third reading of this Bill.

The Minister for Local Government moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

The President having reported that the Deputy Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of the Bill was in accordance with the Bill as agreed to in Committee, and reported.

Question - put.

The House divided.

Ayes (13)

Hon Matt Benson-Lidholm
Hon Vincent Catania
Hon Kim Chance
Hon Kate Doust
Hon Sue Ellery
Hon Paul Llewellyn
Hon Sheila Mills

Hon Louise Pratt
Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich
Hon Sally Talbot
Hon Ken Travers
Hon Giz Watson
Hon Ed Dermer (*Teller*)

Noes (12)

Hon George Cash
Hon Peter Collier
Hon Murray Criddle
Hon Donna Faragher
Hon Anthony Fels
Hon Nigel Hallett

Hon Ray Halligan
Hon Robyn McSweeney
Hon Norman Moore
Hon Simon O'Brien
Hon Barbara Scott
Hon Bruce Donaldson (*Teller*)

Question thus passed.

Bill read a third time and passed.

11. Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Bill 2006, Biosecurity and Agriculture Management (Repeal and Consequential Provisions) Bill 2006 and Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Rates and Charges Bill 2006

The Orders of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the second reading of these Bills.

Debate resumed.

Interruption of Debate [SO 61(b)].

12. Adjournment

The Minister for Local Government moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

The House adjourned at 10:14pm until Thursday, 3 May 2007 at 11.00am.

Members present during the day's proceedings

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Shelley Archer, Hon Ken Baston, Hon Adele Farina, Hon Jon Ford and Hon Margaret Rowe.

Member granted leave: Hon Barry House.

MALCOLM PEACOCK
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Council

HON NICK GRIFFITHS
President of the Legislative Council