WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 147

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2023

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 12.00 noon pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

2. Papers

The following papers were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House – By the Clerk –

Petroleum Retailers Rights and Liabilities Act 1982 – Statutory Review of the Act, May 2023 (2417).

Road Safety Council – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2418).

Transport, Department of – Annual Report 2022–2023 (2419).

3. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Transport on the construction progress of the new Fitzroy River Bridge.

The Minister for Culture and the Arts on the 40th anniversary celebrations of the America's Cup victory.

The Leader of the House on the 2024 Parliamentary Sitting Calendar.

Paper
The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House -
By the Leader of the House –
Parliament of Western Australia – 2024 Sitting Calendar (2420).

The Minister for Education on the results of the Education Minister's Running Challenge.

The Minister for Youth on the 2024 Youth Week Ambassadors.

The Minister for Housing on the call for submissions from Community Housing Providers to provide new housing for vulnerable individuals.

4. Public Education Endowment Repeal Bill 2023

The Minister for Education, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for "An Act to repeal the *Public Education Endowment Act 1909*, to consequentially amend certain Acts and for related matters." be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Minister for Education presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

The Minister for Education moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Mr P.J. Rundle moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

5. Health Practitioner Regulation National Law Application Bill 2023

The Minister for Health, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for "An Act –

- to apply the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (with modifications) as a law of the State; and
- to repeal the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (WA) Act 2010*; and
- to make consequential amendments to other Acts; and

for related purposes." be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Minister for Health presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

The Minister for Health moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Paper

The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House – By the Minister for Health –

Health Practitioner Regulation National Law Application Bill 2023 – Explanatory Documents (2421).

Ms M. Beard moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

6. Reserves Bill 2023

The Minister for Lands, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for "An Act –

- to excise certain areas of land from class A reserves; and
- to amend the classification of certain reserved land; and

to amend the purpose of certain reserved land." be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Minister for Lands presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

The Minister for Lands moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Ms M. Beard moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

7. Workers Compensation and Injury Management Bill 2023

The Order of the Day for the consideration in detail of Legislative Council Message No. 109 was read.

The Message was as follows –

The Legislative Council acquaints the Legislative Assembly that it has agreed to the *Workers Compensation and Injury Management Bill 2023* subject to the amendments contained in the Schedule annexed; in which amendments the Legislative Council desires the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly

Schedule indicating the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Workers Compensation and Injury Management Bill 2023

No. 1

Clause 73, Page 70, lines 10 and 11 — To delete the lines.

No. 2

Clause 94, Page 82, lines 18 and 19 — To delete the lines.

No. 3

Clause 195, Page 153, lines 25 and 26 — To delete the lines.

No. 4

Clause 383, Page 271, lines 8 and 9 — To delete "in the *Gazette*" and insert:

in accordance with the *Interpretation Act 1984* section 41

No. 5

Clause 544, Page 358, lines 22 and 23 — To delete "in the *Gazette*;" and insert:

in accordance with the Interpretation Act 1984 section 41;

New Clause 551A, Page 363, after line 16 — To insert:

551A. Pending matters exclusion of injury: reasonable administrative action

If a pending matter relates to a disease caused by stress that is not an injury under this Act because of the operation of section 7 —

- (a) section 7 does not apply in respect of the pending matter; and
- (b) the definition of *injury* in section 5 of the former Act continues to apply in respect of the pending matter.

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

The Minister for Industrial Relations moved, That amendment No. 1 be agreed to.

Amendment No. 1 agreed to.

The Minister for Industrial Relations moved, That amendments Nos 2 to 5 be agreed to.

Amendments 2 to 5 agreed to.

The Minister for Industrial Relations moved, That amendment No. 6 be agreed to.

Amendment No. 6 agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded and the Legislative Council acquainted accordingly.

8. Electoral Amendment (Finance and Other Matters) Bill 2023

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 P.J. Rundle speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

9. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 861, 865, 869 and 874 were answered.

10. Variation to the Order of Business

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

11. Electoral Amendment (Finance and Other Matters) Bill 2023

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 (Dr D.J. Honey speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

12. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Private Members' Business Notice of Motion No. 1 be next considered.

13. WA Cook Labor Government

Mr R.S. Love, pursuant to notice, moved,

That this House condemns the WA Labor Government for its actions in the first 100 days of Premier Cook's leadership – a leadership marked by government overreach and of arrogant dismissal of the concerns of West Australians, underscoring the urgent need for a change in government.

Debate ensued.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Deputy Premier speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

14. Adjournment

The Leader of the House moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 7.00 pm until Thursday, 12 October 2023 at 9.00 am. *Members present during any part of the day's proceedings* – All the members except Ms L.L. Baker, Ms E.L. Hamilton, Mr K.J.J. Michel and Mrs J.M.C. Stojkovski.

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTS
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly