WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 80

THURSDAY, 1 APRIL 2010

1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 10.00am pursuant to Temporary Orders.

The President, Hon Barry House, took the Chair and read prayers.

2. Petitions

Hon Nick Goiran presented a petition, by delivery to the Clerk, [SO 130], from 77 petitioners requesting the Legislative Council oppose euthanasia. (Tabled paper 1892).

Hon Sally Talbot presented a petition from 57 petitioners requesting the Legislative Council oppose bauxite mining in the Shire of Chittering and Darling Range. (Tabled paper 1893).

Hon Nick Goiran presented a petition from 33 petitioners requesting the Legislative Council oppose euthanasia. (Tabled paper 1894).

3. Ministerial Statement - Disability Access and Inclusion Plans

The Minister for Disability Services made a Ministerial Statement with respect to the progress and implementation of disability access and inclusion plans introduced by the Government.

The Minister for Disability Services tabled the *Disability Access and Inclusion Plans 2008-2009 Progress Report*. (Tabled paper 1895).

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

4. Ministerial Statement - Commonwealth-State National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness - Kimberley Region

The Minister for Child Protection made a Ministerial Statement with respect to funding available to rural and regional communities through the Commonwealth-State National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness.

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

5. Ministerial Statement - National Youth Week

The Minister for Youth made a Ministerial Statement with respect to funding provided by the State and federal Governments to provide opportunities for young people to engage with their communities during National Youth Week.

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

6. Ministerial Statement - Country Local Government Fund

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development made a Ministerial Statement with respect to funding for infrastructure provision and renewal through the Country Local Government Fund in conjunction with the Royalties for Regions policy.

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

7. Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review - Forty-Sixth Report - Rail Safety Bill 2009

Hon Adele Farina presented the Forty-Sixth Report of the Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review in relation to the *Rail Safety Bill 2009*. (Tabled paper 1896).

Hon Adele Farina moved, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be printed.

Question - put and passed.

8. Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations - Twenty-Fourth Report - Annual Report 2009

Hon Giz Watson presented the Twenty-Fourth Report of the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations being the *Annual Report 2009*. (Tabled paper 1897).

Hon Giz Watson moved, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be printed.

Question - put and passed.

9. Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations - Twenty-Fifth Report - Budget of the Office of the Auditor General

Hon Giz Watson presented the Twenty-Fifth Report of the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations in relation to the *Budget of the Office of the Auditor General*. (Tabled paper 1898).

Hon Giz Watson moved, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be printed.

Question - put and passed.

10. Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations - Twenty-Sixth Report - The Confidential Status of the State Development Agreement Oakajee Port and Rail

Hon Giz Watson presented the Twenty-Sixth Report of the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations in relation to *The Confidential Status of the State Development Agreement Oakajee Port and Rail.* (Tabled paper 1899).

Hon Giz Watson moved, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be printed.

Question - put and passed.

11. Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs - Nineteenth Report - Prayer for Relief

Hon Brian Ellis presented the Nineteenth Report of the Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs in relation to a *Prayer for Relief*. (Tabled paper 1900).

Hon Brian Ellis moved, That the Report do lie upon the Table and be printed.

Question - put and passed.

12. Plastic Shopping Bags (Waste Avoidance) Bill 2010

Hon Sally Talbot, pursuant to notice, moved -

That a Bill for "An Act to restrict the supply of single use shopping bags." be introduced and read a first time.

Question - put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

Hon Sally Talbot moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate stands adjourned.

13. Government Election Promises

Non-Government Business No. 2 having been called, Hon Kate Doust moved, without notice -

Noting the WA economy is continuing to grow, that this House condemns the Barnett Government for failing WA families by breaking election promises and imposing huge increases in family bills.

Debate ensued.

Pursuant to Temporary Orders, debate stands adjourned to the next sitting.

14. Order of Business

Ordered - That Orders of the Day Nos 1, Taxi Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2009 - Disallowance, 2, Genetically Modified Crops Free Areas Exemption Order - Disallowance, 3, Cross-border Justice Regulations 2009 - Disallowance, 4, Betting Control Amendment Regulations (No. 4) 2009 - Disallowance, 5, Casino Control Amendment Regulations 2009 - Disallowance, 6, Casino Control (Burswood Island) (Licensing of Employees) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2009 - Disallowance, 7, Gaming and Wagering Commission Amendment Regulations 2009 - Disallowance, 8, Hospitals (Licensing and Conduct of Private Hospitals) Amendment Regulations 2009 - Disallowance, 9, Hospitals (Licensing and Conduct of Private Psychiatric Hostels) Amendment Regulations 2009 - Disallowance, 10, Racing and Wagering Western Australia Amendment Regulations 2009 - Disallowance, 11, Racing Penalties (Appeals) Amendment Regulations 2009 - Disallowance, and 12, Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Levy Amendment Regulations 2009 - Disallowance, be taken after Order of the Day No. 21, Aboriginal Housing Legislation Amendment Bill 2009. (Leader of the House).

15. Treasurer's Advance Authorisation Bill 2010

The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill, in Committee, having been read. The President left the Chair.

In Committee

(Hon Michael Mischin in the Chair)

Clause 3.

Debate resumed.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer, by leave, tabled documents relating to: the Department of Health Expenditure for 2002-03 to 2008-09; Loan Act Borrowings; and the Treasurer's Advance 2009-10 Authorised Limit. (Tabled paper 1901).

Debate resumed.

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer, by leave, tabled documents relating to cash balances and expenditure relating to the Department of Health funding in relation to the *Treasurer's Advance Authorisation Bill 2010*. (Tabled paper 1902).

Debate resumed.

16. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

The Leader of the House representing the Premier tabled, and by leave incorporated into Hansard, documents in relation to an increase in complaints received by the Ombudsman's office resulting from economic activities, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Sue Ellery. (Tabled paper 1903).

17. Treasurer's Advance Authorisation Bill 2010

The President left the Chair.

In Committee

(Hon Matt Benson-Lidholm in the Chair)

Clause 3.

Debate resumed.

Interruption pursuant to Temporary Orders.

The President resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of Committees reported that the Committee had considered the Bill, made progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered - That the Committee have leave to sit again.

18. Members' Statements

Statements were taken.

19. Special Adjournment

The Leader of the House moved, without notice -

That the House at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, 20 April 2010 at 3.00pm.

Question - put and passed.

20. Adjournment

The House adjourned at 5.49pm until Tuesday, 20 April 2010 at 3.00pm.

Members present during the day's proceedings

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Jon Ford.

MALCOLM PEACOCK
Clerk of the Legislative Council

HON BARRY HOUSE

President of the Legislative Council