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Hon Dr Sally Talbot; Hon Robyn McSweeney; Hon Giz Watson

## MINDARIE REGIONAL COUNCIL STANDING ORDERS AMENDMENT LOCAL LAW 2012 — DISALLOWANCE

Motion

Pursuant to standing order 66(3), the following motion by Hon Sally Talbot was moved pro forma on 21 June —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, the Mindarie Regional Council Standing Orders Amendment Local Law 2012, published in the *Government Gazette* on 20 March 2012 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 27 March 2012 under the Local Government Act 1995, be and is hereby disallowed.

HON SALLY TALBOT (South West) [5.03 pm]: I draw the attention of honourable members to the fact that this is the sixth in a series of recommendations that we have made to the house based on the fact that local governments are not following the temporal sequence set out in section 3.12 of the Local Government Act. This is now becoming a very well-rehearsed speech in this place, and I do not intend to make it long, because I think the point has already been well made and honourable members all well understand what needs to be done here. The Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation has received an undertaking from the Minister for Local Government that the Local Government Act needs to be amended. In the meantime, the committee will need to continue to recommend disallowance in circumstances in which the provisions of section 3.12 have not been followed. I therefore commend the report to the house and I recommend that the house supports the disallowance.

**HON ROBYN McSWEENEY (South West** — **Minister for Child Protection)** [5.04 pm]: The government agrees with the committee's conclusion and supports the committee's recommendation that these local laws be disallowed. The committee concluded that these local laws were invalid due to Mindarie Regional Council not correctly following the law-making process set out in the Local Government Act.

**HON GIZ WATSON** (North Metropolitan) [5.04 pm]: The Greens (WA) have also taken note of this matter and looked into it, and we are happy to support the disallowance.

Question put and passed.