

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 58

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

THURSDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2022

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 9.00 am pursuant to adjournment.

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

2. Petitions

Social Housing and Safety on Hertford Street and Basinghall Street, East Victoria Park – Ms H.M. Beazley presented a petition from 52 people asking for consideration of the risks associated with high density social housing in this area, and for an increased police presence, better lighting and CCTV (P. 27).

Ratification of Official Parks in the City of Melville – Ms K.E. Giddens presented a petition from 367 people asking for the ratification of Laurie Withers Reserve and Jack Martin Reserve in Kardinya as official parks in the City of Melville (P. 28).

3. Papers

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

By the Clerk –

Economic Regulation Authority – Report on the effects of the container deposit scheme on beverage prices in Western Australia, 11 February 2022 (970).

Premier and Cabinet, Department of the – Report on Ministerial Office Staffing as at 20 January 2022 (971).

4. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Road Safety on the launch of the ‘Shadows of Summer campaign’ at Bathers Beach Fremantle, to highlight the number of people killed on Western Australia’s roads over the past 12 months.

The Minister for Police on the expansion of the Mental Health Co-Response initiative between the Western Australia Police Force, the Mental Health Commission and the Department of Health.

The Minister for Aboriginal Affairs on the progress made in 2021 under the National Agreement on Closing the Gap.

Paper

The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

By the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs –

Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for – Closing the Gap 2021 Progress Report (972).

The Minister for Women's Interests on the State Government's commitment to gender equality through the action plan 'Stronger Together: WA's Plan for Gender Equality'.

The Minister for Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence on 'Pets in Crisis', an RSPCA program providing temporary foster care for pets as a consequence of family and domestic violence.

The Minister for Environment on the Economic Regulation Authority's report on price impacts of the State's container deposit scheme 'Containers for Change'.

5. Grievances

The Deputy Speaker called for grievances which were then made.

Paper

The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

By the Minister for Energy –

Energy, Minister for – Letter to the Chair of the Economic Regulatory Authority, 15 Feb 2022 (973).

6. Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission

Mr M. Hughes, as Chair, presented the following report which was ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

Corruption and Crime Commission, Joint Standing Committee on the – 'A Good Year'.
The work of the Parliamentary Inspector of the Corruption and Crime Commission, Report No. 3 (974).

7. Firearms Amendment Bill 2021

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate upon the second reading of the bill was read.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clauses 1 to 21 agreed to.

Clause 22.

The Minister for Police moved,

Page 22 lines 7 and 8 — To delete “firearms or major firearm parts” and substitute:

“ firearms, major firearm parts or ammunition ”.

Amendment put and passed.

Clause 22, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 23 to 85 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

Ordered, That the third reading of the bill be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting of the Assembly.

8. Animal Resources Authority Amendment and Repeal Bill 2021

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 (Ms M.J. Hammat speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

9. Members' Statements

The Acting Speaker called for members' statements which were then made.

Ms J.L. Hanns and Dr D.J. Honey participated remotely.

10. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Ms D.G. D'Anna and Ms A.E. Kent participated remotely.

11. Deputy Speaker's Statement – Remote Participation Trial

The Deputy Speaker advised members that the two-week remote participation trial had now successfully concluded. Consideration would be made as to whether future remote participation in Chamber proceedings would continue. The Deputy Speaker acknowledged the work of the Parliament's IT and broadcasting team in making the trial work during a particularly busy period.

12. Variation to the Order of Business

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

13. Animal Resources Authority Amendment and Repeal Bill 2021

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate upon the second reading of the bill was read.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clauses 1 to 16 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

Leave was granted to proceed forthwith to the third reading of the bill.

The Minister for Science moved, That the bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time and forwarded to the Legislative Council for concurrence.

14. Special Adjournment

The Leader of the House moved, That the House at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, 15 March 2022 at 2.00 pm.

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 4.36 pm until Tuesday, 15 March 2022 at 2.00 pm.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Mr S.N. Aubrey, Mrs R.M.J. Clarke, Ms L. Dalton, Ms D.G. D'Anna, Mr M.J. Folkard, Ms E.L. Hamilton, Ms J.L. Hanns, Mr T.J. Healy, Ms E.J. Kelsbie, Ms A.E. Kent, Dr J. Krishnan, Mr K.J.J. Michel, Mr D.T. Punch, Ms M.M. Quirk, Mrs M.H. Roberts and Ms R.S. Stephens.

Members participating remotely during any part of the day's proceedings – Ms D.G. D'Anna, Ms J.L. Hanns, Ms A.E. Kent and Dr D.J. Honey.

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTS
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly