WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 130

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

THURSDAY, 22 JUNE 2023

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 9.00 am pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

2. Petition

Stop Bullsbrook Tip – Ms J.J. Shaw presented a petition from 6 people urging all levels of government to reject the inappropriate proposal to establish a landfill operation at Lot 12 Chittering Road, Bullsbrook (P. 42).

3. Papers

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

Bunbury Water Corporation (Aqwest) – Statement of Corporate Intent 2023–2024 (2048).

Busselton Water – Statement of Corporate Intent 2023–2024 (2049).

4. Misuse of Drugs Amendment Bill 2023

Message No. 105 dated 21 June 2023 from the Legislative Council was reported agreeing to the bill without amendment.

5. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Sport and Recreation on the resignation of the Chair of the SportWest Board, Mr Michael Beros.

The Minister for Culture and the Arts; Sport and Recreation; International Education; Heritage on the 2023 King's Birthday Honours List.

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum on Western Australia's Green Steel Opportunity report.

The Minister for Water on the Australiad Jetty refurbishment.

The Minister for Training on the enhanced Aboriginal services at Jobs and Skills Centres.

The Minister for Housing on the Bond Assistance Loan Scheme changes.

The Minister for Child Protection on the new temporary attraction and retention incentives for critical child protection workers in targeted regions.

6. Grievances

The Deputy Speaker called for grievances which were then made.

7. Joint Standing Committee on the Commissioner for Children and Young People

Mrs R.M.J. Clarke, as Chair, presented the following report which was ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

Commissioner for Children and Young People, Joint Standing Committee on the – Hungry for Change. Addressing food insecurity for children and young people affected by poverty. Report 6 (2050).

Commissioner for Children and Young People, Joint Standing Committee on the – Hungry for Change. Addressing food insecurity for children and young people affected by poverty – Submissions (2051).

Ms R.S. Stephens spoke on the report.

8. Community Development and Justice Standing Committee – Membership Change

The Minister for Ports, on behalf of the Leader of the House, pursuant to notice, moved,

That the member for Churchlands be appointed to the Community Development and Justice Standing Committee.

Question put and passed.

9. Rail Safety National Law Application Bill 2023

The Minister for Transport, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for "An Act –

- to apply the Rail Safety National Law (with modifications) as a law of the State; and
- to repeal the Rail Safety National Law (WA) Act 2015, the Rail Safety National Law (WA) (Alcohol and Drug Testing)
 Regulations 2015 and the Rail Safety National Law (WA)
 Regulations 2015; and
- to make consequential amendments to various other Acts; and
- for related purposes."

be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

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

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

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

Question put and passed.

10. Legal Deposit Amendment Bill 2023

The Minister for Culture and the Arts, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for "An Act to amend the Legal Deposit Act 2012." be read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Minister for Culture and the Arts presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

The Minister for Culture and the Arts moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

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

Question put and passed.

11. Mining Amendment Bill 2023

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for "An Act to amend the Mining Act 1978." be read a first time.

Question put and passed.

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

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

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

Question put and passed.

12. Marine Safety (Domestic Commercial Vessel National Law Application) Bill 2023

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the bill having been read, the Minister assisting the Minister for Transport 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.

13. Liquor Control Amendment (Banned Drinkers Register) Bill 2023

The Order of the Day for the further consideration in detail of the bill was read.

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clause 15 agreed to.

Clause 16.

Debate interrupted by the Chair and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

14. Members' Statements

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

15. Speaker's Statement – Unparliamentary Language

The Speaker advised members that yesterday in question time, during a robust exchange, there was a comment made by way of an interjection that a member or members of the opposition were racist. The Speaker reminded members that it is not appropriate to refer to another member as being racist, particularly by interjection. It is one thing to describe comments made as being racist, but quite another to label a person as racist. The Speaker further reminded members that if exception is taken to the use of language, they should raise an objection immediately.

16. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Question on Notice Nos 828 to 830 were asked.

Question on Notice Nos 756 and 757 were answered.

17. Public Accounts Committee– Terms of Reference

The Speaker advised members that the Public Accounts Committee had resolved to inquire into how the Western Australian Government's progress towards achieving Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) outcomes is assisting to secure international investment. The Committee will report by 31 August 2024.

18. Community Development and Justice Standing Committee – Terms of Reference

The Speaker advised members that the Community Development and Justice Standing Committee had resolved to inquire into the options available to survivors of institutional child sexual abuse in Western Australia who are seeking justice. The Committee will report by 20 June 2024.

19. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day No. 4 be resumed.

20. Liquor Control Amendment (Banned Drinkers Register) Bill 2023

The Order of the Day for the consideration in detail of the bill was read.

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clauses 16 to 34 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 Racing and Gaming moved, That the bill be now read a third time.

Question put and passed.

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

21. Special Adjournment

Ms C.M. Rowe moved, That the House at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, 8 August 2023 at 1.00 pm.

Question put and passed.

22. Adjournment

Ms C.M. Rowe moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 3.46 pm until Tuesday, 8 August 2023 at 1.00 pm. *Members present during any part of the day's proceedings* – All the members except Ms L.L. Baker, Ms C.M. Collins, Ms K.E. Giddens, Mr K.J.J. Michel, Mr Y. Mubarakai, Ms L.A. Munday, Mr D.T. Punch and Mr P.C. Tinley.

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSONClerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTS
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

