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# **Minutes of Proceedings**



#### **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

# WEDNESDAY, 18 OCTOBER 2023 1.00pm

#### 1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 1.00pm pursuant to order.

The President, Hon Alanna Clohesy, took the Chair.

Prayers and an Acknowledgement of Country were read.

# Standing Committee on Procedure and Privileges — Report 71 — Gendered language in the Joint Standing Rules and Orders of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly

The President presented Report 71 of the Standing Committee on Procedure and Privileges, Gendered language in the Joint Standing Rules and Orders of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly. (Tabled Paper 2726).

Hon Martin Aldridge moved, without notice —

That Recommendations 1 and 2 contained in Report 71 of the Standing Committee on Procedure and Privileges, *Gendered language in the Joint Standing Rules and Orders of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly*, be agreed to.

Hon Martin Aldridge sought leave to continue his remarks at a later stage at this day's sitting Leave granted.

Debate stands adjourned.

#### 3. Ministerial Statement — Land Tax Relief

The Minister for Finance made a Ministerial Statement with respect to land tax relief for Western Australians who are building or refurbishing a home, through a temporary extension to the current two-year land tax exemption.

### 4. Ministerial Statement — Community Small Grants Fund

The Minister for Agriculture and Food made a Ministerial Statement with respect to round one of the Community Small Grants Fund as part of the Native Forestry Transition Plan.

#### 5. Paper

The following Paper was laid on the Table by —

#### **President**

Reports —

Work of the Legislative Council in 2022 (October 2023)......

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## 6. Fishing Industry — Government Compensation

Hon Colin de Grussa: To move on the next day of sitting —

That the Legislative Council —

- (a) acknowledges the invaluable economic and social contribution of the fishing industry to our State;
- (b) recognises the impacts of government processes in establishing marine reserves and managing fishing industries with regard to
  - (i) the potential effects on the future viability of Western Australia's world class commercial and tourism fishing industries; and
  - (ii) the potential impacts on food security and tourism due to the sourcing of fish products from international markets; and
- (c) urges the Government to commit to enhancing statutory and compensatory mechanisms to provide fair and timely compensation to operators affected by Government actions.

#### 7. Consideration of Committee Reports

Pursuant to order for the consideration of Committee Reports.

#### In Committee

(Hon Dr Sally Talbot in the Chair)

Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation — Report 3 — Annual Report 2022

Debate resumed on the motion of Hon Lorna Harper, That the Report be noted.

Debate interrupted and postponed pursuant to SO 110(2A).

Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission — Report 8 — Unlawful detention in public hospitals: Parliamentary Inspector's report

Hon Dr Steve Thomas moved, That the Report be noted.

Debate ensued.

Interruption pursuant to order.

The Acting President resumed the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the —

- (1) Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation Report 3 *Annual Report* 2022, made progress and postponed further consideration to the next sitting.
- (2) Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission Report 8 *Unlawful detention in public hospitals: Parliamentary Inspector's report*, made progress, and seeks to sit again.

Report adopted.

#### 8. Order of Business

Ordered — That Orders of the Day Nos 1, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2023 — Disallowance, 2, Shire of Westonia Fencing Local Law 2023 — Disallowance, 3, Shire of Westonia Westonia Historical Precinct Local Law 2023 — Disallowance, 4, Shire of Westonia Shipping and/or Sea Container Local Law 2023 — Disallowance, 5, City of Gosnells Bush Fire Brigade Local Law 2023 — Disallowance, 6, City of Swan Parking Local Law 2023 — Disallowance, and 7, Shire of Esperance Cemeteries Local Law 2023 — Disallowance, be taken after Order of the Day No. 11, Liquor Control Amendment (Banned Drinkers Register) Bill 2023. (Minister for Emergency Services).

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

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the second reading of this Bill. Debate ensued.

Hon Neil Thomson, by leave, tabled the *Independent Review of the Australian Domestic Commercial Vessel Safety Legislation and Costs and Charging Arrangements*. (Tabled Paper 2727).

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Acting President left the Chair.

#### In Committee

(Hon Stephen Pratt in the Chair)

Clause 1.

Debate ensued.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 2 to 123 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

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The Acting President resumed the Chair.

Bill reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

The Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Transport moved, That the Bill be read a third time.

The Acting President announced that the Deputy Chair of Committees had certified that this was a true copy of the Bill as agreed to in Committee of the Whole House and reported.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a third time and passed.

#### 10. Main Roads Amendment Bill 2023

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the second reading of this Bill. Debate ensued.

#### 11. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

The Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police tabled a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Martin Aldridge. (Tabled Paper 2728).

The Leader of the House representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs tabled a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Sophia Moermond. (Tabled Paper 2729).

The Leader of the House representing the Premier, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Tjorn Sibma.

The Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Sophia Moermond.

#### 12. Main Roads Amendment Bill 2023

Debate resumed on the second reading of this Bill (see item 10 above).

Hon Dr Brad Pettitt sought leave to continue his remarks at the next sitting. Leave granted.

On the motion of Hon Peter Foster the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

#### 13. Order of Business

Ordered — That Order of the Day No. 1, *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Amendment Regulations* (No. 2) — *Disallowance*, be taken forthwith. (Leader of the House).

# 14. Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2023 — Disallowance — Discharge from Notice Paper

The Order of the Day having been called, Hon Dr Steve Thomas moved, without notice —

That Order of the Day No. 1, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2023 — Disallowance, be discharged from the Notice Paper.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and passed.

#### 15. Order of Business

Ordered — Members' Statements be taken forthwith. (Leader of the House).

#### 16. Members' Statements

Statements were taken.

## 17. Electoral Amendment (Finance and Other Matters) Bill 2023

The President reported the receipt of Message No. 127 from the Legislative Assembly forwarding the Bill for concurrence.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Electoral Affairs moved, That the Bill be read a first time.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Electoral Affairs moved, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Electoral Affairs tabled an Explanatory Memorandum relating to the Bill. (Tabled Paper 2730).

Debate stands adjourned.

## 18. Adjournment

The Council adjourned at 6.57pm until Thursday, 19 October 2023 at 10.00am.

# Members present during the day's proceedings

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Sandra Carr and Hon Darren West.

#### **SAM HASTINGS**

Clerk of the Legislative Council

#### **HON ALANNA CLOHESY MLC**

President of the Legislative Council