

**BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE — PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

*Standing Orders Suspension — Motion*

**MR D.A. TEMPLEMAN (Mandurah — Leader of the House)** [12.18 pm]: I move —

That so much of standing orders be suspended as is necessary to enable private members' business to have priority from 4.00 pm to 6.00 pm on Wednesday, 18 September 2019.

I appreciate the cooperation of the manager of opposition business with regard to forgoing one hour of private members' business this afternoon, which will mean that the house will adjourn for a dinner break at 6.00 pm and then resume at 7.00 pm for continuation of the voluntary assisted dying legislation that is before the house. I note also that tomorrow morning, the government will be forgoing, once again, its two grievances. That will allow an additional half an hour for consideration of the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill. I appreciate the opposition's cooperation in the progress of the bill through this house of Parliament. I have made it clear to the leader of opposition business that the government's intention is to conclude the consideration in detail stage of this bill this week, and commence the third reading speeches at some stage tomorrow evening, with the balance of the third reading speeches to be concluded on Tuesday and, if necessary, Wednesday of next week. That will ensure that the bill will be transferred to the upper house in time for it to consider the bill when it returns after the school holiday break.

**MR Z.R.F. KIRKUP (Dawesville)** [12.20 pm]: The opposition obviously supports the motion moved by the government. It is a great move. I appreciate the assistance of the opposition team in giving up one hour of private members' business to help ensure that as much time as possible is dedicated to government business, in particular the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill. I appreciate that, together with the Leader of the House, we managed to keep close to our target time yesterday of rising at midnight, and hopefully we will achieve a similar target time tonight. I also appreciate the fatigue management that was put in place, with some comfort breaks. That has been a very good move for this week and hopefully will enable us to be aware and attentive as we scrutinise this very important piece of legislation. I understand that the government's intention is that consideration in detail of the bill will conclude tomorrow and we will then transition to the third reading stage. My priority is to ensure that as much time as possible is dedicated to the debate on this important bill, and that is what all opposition members want to occur. The opposition therefore intends to support the motion.

Question put and passed.