

STANDING ORDERS SUSPENSION

Completion of Matter of Public Interest

MR R.F. JOHNSON (Hillarys) [4.05 pm]: I move, without notice -

That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would allow the completion of the matter of public interest.

The ACTING SPEAKER: To be successful, the motion requires an absolute majority.

MR J.C. KOBELKE (Nollamara - Leader of the House) [4.06 pm]: I wish to speak in support of the suspension of standing orders. As the Opposition is moving the motion and it is eating into private members' time, we are happy to support the motion. However, as I count the numbers, there is not the required constitutional majority so I will keep the call until we get the numbers in the Chamber, and when we have the 29, I will sit down.

The ACTING SPEAKER: I confirm there is an absolute majority present.

Question put and passed with an absolute majority.