

**SELECT COMMITTEE INTO THE OPERATIONS OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY
FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INC)**

Interim Report — “Select Committee into the Operations of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Western Australia (Inc) — Extension of Time” — Tabling

HON RICK MAZZA (Agricultural) [10.06 am]: I am directed to present the interim report of the Select Committee into the Operations of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Western Australia (Inc) on an extension of time.

[See paper 3515.]

Hon RICK MAZZA: The report that I have just tabled advises the house that on 13 May 2015, the Legislative Council ordered that a select committee be established to inquire into the operations of the Western Australian Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Inc), including an examination of its funding from the government, its objectives and the use of its powers. The committee was ordered to report to the Legislative Council by no later than Thursday, 3 December 2015. Since its establishment, the committee has sought and received submissions relevant to the inquiry’s terms of reference and has held frequent meetings and hearings to progress the inquiry. On 12 October 2015, the committee resolved to seek the leave of the Legislative Council to extend the date by which the committee is to report on the inquiry from 3 December 2015 to 6 April 2016. This extension is requested to enable the committee to seek further information in order to inquire into relevant matters and discharge its reporting obligations to the Legislative Council. The committee therefore requests an extension of time in which to report from 3 December 2015 to 6 April 2016. I commend the report to the house.

Motion

HON RICK MAZZA (Agricultural) [10.08 am] — without notice: I move —

That the reporting date for the select committee’s inquiry into the operations of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Western Australia (Inc) be extended from 3 December 2015 to 6 April 2016.

The PRESIDENT: The debate on that matter is adjourned until a later stage of this day’s sitting. The reason I am doing it that way is strictly according to the standing orders. Standing order 190 provides that when a committee report has been tabled in the Council, any corollary motion without notice may be moved, including a motion that the recommendation contained in the report be agreed to. Secondly, when a motion is moved under paragraph (1) of the standing order, no debate shall ensue at that time and the debate shall be adjourned until a later stage of the sitting. We will deal with it later. Incidentally, that may be an issue that the Standing Committee on Procedure and Privileges might like to look at at some stage.

Debate adjourned, pursuant to standing orders.