

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 150

FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTY-NINTH PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 17 JUNE 2015

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 12.00 noon pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

Prayers were read.

2. Petition

Perth Freight Link: Roe Highway Extension – Mr F.M. Logan presented a petition from 161 persons requesting the Legislative Assembly call on the Barnett Government to reverse their decision to allow the Roe Highway Extension (eastern end of the Perth Freight Link) to go ahead and to allocate the funding awarded to this project to other alternative solutions to freight transfer issues (P. 257).

3. Notice of Motion

4. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Health on changes to the governance of the Western Australian health system.

The Minister for Road Safety on the release of an information sheet from the Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Economics on the impact of airbags and electronic stability control on Australian light vehicle fatalities.

The Minister for Environment on prescribed burning undertaken in Kings Park, on 7 May 2015.

5. Leave of Absence

Mr D.A. Templeman, pursuant to notice, moved,

That the member for Collie-Preston be given leave of absence from the Legislative Assembly until 25 June 2015 on account of ill health.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

6. Cement Works (Cockburn Cement Limited) Agreement Amendment Bill 2015

The Minister for State Development, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Cement Works (Cockburn Cement Limited) Agreement Act 1971*.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

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

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

Mr D.A. Templeman moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

7. Land Tax Amendment Bill 2015

The Minister for Finance, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Land Tax Act 2002*.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

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

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

Mr D.A. Templeman moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

8. Constitution Amendment (Recognition of Aboriginal People) Bill 2015

Ms J. Farrer, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Constitution Act 1889*.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Ms J. Farrer presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading of the bill be made an Order of the Day for a later stage of the sitting.

9. Electricity Corporations Amendment Bill 2015

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the bill having been read, the Leader of the House on behalf of the Minister for Energy moved, That the bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time and returned without amendment to the Legislative Council.

10. Bell Group Companies (Finalisation of Matters and Distribution of Proceeds) Bill 2015

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate upon the second reading of the bill was read.

Debate resumed.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Mr J.R. Quigley speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

11. Speaker's Statement – Appointment of the Clerk

The Speaker advised members that he had today formally recommended to Her Excellency the Governor the appointment of Kirsten Marie Robinson to the position of Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly from 10 October 2015 and then as Clerk on and from 2 July 2016. Ms Robinson's appointment comes after a detailed advertising and selection process.

Ms Robinson was the first female Sergeant-at-Arms of the Legislative Assembly, the first female Clerk Assistant of the Legislative Assembly, the first female Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and will now become the first female Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

The Speaker expressed his confidence in Ms Robinson's ability to continue to properly advise members on all sides of the House and to head up the Department of the Legislative Assembly.

12. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 4124 to 4134 were asked.

Questions on Notice Nos 4026, 4041, 4052, 4066, 4077, 4089, 4104 and 4124 to 4126 were answered.

13. Additional Information

The Minister for Regional Development gave additional information to correct an answer given during Estimates in Division 69 regarding the Department of Sport and Recreation's works in progress and Estimates in Division 11 regarding to the funding of municipal services in remote Aboriginal communities.

14. Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission

Mr P.B. Watson, as Deputy Chair, presented the following report which was ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

Corruption and Crime Commission, Joint Standing Committee on the – Parliamentary Inspector's Report on Misconduct and Related Issues in the Corruption and Crime Commission (3002).

15. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day No. 2 be resumed.

16. Bell Group Companies (Finalisation of Matters and Distribution of Proceeds) Bill 2015

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate upon the second reading of the bill was read.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3.

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

17. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Private Members' Business Order of the Day *Constitution Amendment (Recognition of Aboriginal People) Bill 2015* and Notice of Motion No. 11 and Order of the Day No. 15 be next considered.

18. Constitution Amendment (Recognition of Aboriginal People) Bill 2015

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the bill was read.

Ms J. Farrer moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Mr A. Krsticevic moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

19. Suburban Planning

Ms R. Saffioti, pursuant to notice, moved,

That this House calls on the Barnett Government to implement a more strategic approach to planning our suburbs to regain public confidence in density and to ensure local communities are heard.

Debate ensued.

The Minister for Planning moved,

To delete all words after “House” with the view to inserting:

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1. Acknowledges the population growth pressures and demographic changes which are occurring in Western Australia, including an aging population and an increasing number of single and two person households;
2. Acknowledges that issues which need to be addressed through the planning system include:
 - a. increasing the effective use of existing infrastructure;
 - b. housing diversity and affordability; and
 - c. transport costs;
3. Supports actions being taken by the Government to ensure increases in housing density and diversity occur in appropriately targeted areas, including a review of the changes which were made to the Residential Design Codes regarding multi-unit housing developments in 2010.

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Debate interrupted by the Chair (Ms E. Evangel speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

20. Adjournment

The Leader of the House moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 7.00 p.m. until Thursday, 18 June 2015 at 9.00 a.m.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Ms M. Davies and Mr M.P. Murray.

PETER J. McHUGH
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. MICHAEL SUTHERLAND
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly