

## **BUSINESS PROGRAM**

### **Legislative Assembly**

### **28 April 2016**

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| 1 | Prayers                       | 10.00 am  |
| 2 | Proclamation                  | Clerk reads out proclamation from Her Excellency the Governor declaring that Parliament meet today.   |
| 3 | Seating Plan                  | The Speaker announces new seating plan.   |
| 4 | Petitions                     |   |
| 5 | Papers                        |   |
| 6 | Senate vacancy                |   |
|   | (a) Governor's message        | The Speaker reads out message from Her Excellency the Governor advising of vacancy created by resignation of Senator Bullock on 13 April 2016.  |
|   | (b) Motion                    | The Premier will move a motion that the President and Speaker do fix a day whereon and whereat the Council and Assembly, sitting and voting together, may choose a person to hold the place of the Senator whose place has become vacant. |
|   | (c) Suspension of proceedings | Upon the Assembly voting in favour of the motion, the Speaker will suspend proceedings until the ringing of the bells (anticipated to be no longer than 20 minutes) to confer with the President.   |
|   | (d) Resumption of proceedings |   |
|   | (e) Speaker's Statement       | Upon resumption of the proceedings, the Speaker shall inform the Assembly that there will be a joint meeting of the Houses in the Council's chamber at 11.00 am today to choose the new senator.  |
| 7 | Special adjournment           | Leader of the House will then move a special adjournment for the Assembly to next meet at 2.00 pm on Tuesday, 10 May 2016.  |
| 8 | Adjournment                   | Leader of the House will then move to adjourn the House.  |

## **Joint Sitting of the Houses**

The members of the Assembly then proceed to the Council chamber for the joint sitting to elect the new senator.

*Thursday, 28 April 2016*

## **[Proclamation]**

## **Speaker's Statement: Chamber seating**

“ I advise members that I have approved changed seating arrangements for the member for Hillarys. ”.

*(The Speaker will then call for any petitions, followed by any papers for tabling)*

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## **VACANCY IN THE SENATE**

### **The Speaker:**

“Members,

I have to report a communication from Her Excellency the Governor in the following terms:

Kerry Sanderson  
Governor

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly a copy of a despatch which she has received from the Honourable the President of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Australia, notifying that a vacancy has happened in the representation of the State of Western Australia in the said Senate.

Government House  
Perth, 14 April 2016

The despatch from the President of the Senate reads as follows:

13 April 2016

Her Excellency the Honourable Kerry Sanderson, AO  
Governor of Western Australia  
Government House  
St Georges Terrace  
Perth WA 6000

Your Excellency

### **Vacancy in the Representation of Western Australia**

Pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution, I notify Your Excellency that a vacancy has happened in the representation of the State of Western Australia through the resignation of Senator Joe Bullock on 13 April 2016.

Yours sincerely  
Stephen Parry

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***(Premier will move motion)***

## **SENATE VACANCY MOTION FOR JOINT SITTING**

*(After the Speaker reports Message from the Governor advising of the vacancy)*

**The Premier:**

“I move:

That Mr Speaker be requested to confer with the President of the Legislative Council, in order to fix a day and place whereon and whereat the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council, sitting and voting together, shall choose a person to hold the place of the Senator whose place has become vacant.

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*(Once motion is agreed to)*

**The Speaker:**

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I shall therefore leave the Chair until the ringing of the bells to confer with the President about the timing and place of the joint sitting.

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*(House suspended until the ringing of the bells)*

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## **SPEAKER'S STATEMENT JOINT SITTING TO FILL SENATE VACANCY**

*(Once the House resumes)*

### **The Speaker:**

“Members,

I wish to advise that I have consulted with the President of the Legislative Council in relation to holding a Joint Sitting to fill the vacancy in the Senate created by the resignation of Senator Joe Bullock, and that the Joint Sitting will be held today, Thursday, 28 April 2016 at 11.00 a.m. in the Legislative Council Chamber.

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## **Special Adjournment**

The Leader of the House: To move –

“ That the House at its rising adjourn until Tuesday,  
10 May 2016 at 2.00 p.m. ”.