

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 195

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTIETH PARLIAMENT

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TUESDAY, 19 MAY 2020

### 1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 2.00 pm pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

### 2. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Health providing an update on current COVID-19 cases.

The Minister for Police on the COVID-19 intrastate regional boundaries.

The Minister for Volunteering on National Volunteering Week 2020.

The Minister for Energy on the Government response to Report No. 8 of the Economics and Industry Standing Committee, Taking Charge: Western Australia's Transition to a Distributed Energy Future.

### 3. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 6122 to 6148 were asked.

Questions on Notice Nos 6018, 6091 to 6102 and 6105 were answered.

### 4. Suspension of Standing Orders

Mrs L.M. Harvey, without notice, moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as is necessary to enable the following motion to be moved forthwith –

That this House condemns the inaction and failures of Premier McGowan and his government regarding the \$1 billion Chinese barley tariff crisis, which will overwhelmingly impact WA farmers, and calls on the Premier to outline his response to this crisis.

The Leader of the House moved, To add to the motion –

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, subject to the debate being limited to 15 minutes for government members and 15 minutes for non-government members.

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Amendment put and passed.

On the question, That the motion, as amended, be agreed to,

Question put.

The Speaker having counted the House, and an absolute majority being present and there being no dissentient voice, declared the motion, as amended, to be carried with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of members of the House.

## 5. Chinese Barley Tariff

Mrs L.M. Harvey, pursuant to the foregoing motion, moved,

That this House condemns the inaction and failures of Premier McGowan and his Government regarding the \$1 billion Chinese barley tariff crisis, which will overwhelmingly impact WA farmers, and calls on the Premier to outline his response to this crisis.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

### Ayes (16)

Mr V.A. Catania  
Ms M.J. Davies  
Mrs L.M. Harvey  
Dr D.J. Honey  
Mr P.A. Katsambanis  
Mr Z.R.F. Kirkup

Mr S.K. L'Estrange  
Mr R.S. Love  
Mr W.R. Marmion  
Mr J.E. McGrath  
Ms L. Mettam  
Dr M.D. Nahan

Mr D.C. Nalder  
Mr D.T. Redman  
Mr P.J. Rundle  
Mr A. Krsticevic (*Teller*)

### Noes (33)

Ms L.L. Baker  
Dr A.D. Buti  
Mr J.N. Carey  
Mrs R.M.J. Clarke  
Mr R.H. Cook  
Mr M.J. Folkard  
Ms J.M. Freeman  
Ms E.L. Hamilton  
Mr T.J. Healy  
Mr M. Hughes  
Mr W.J. Johnston

Mr F.M. Logan  
Mr M. McGowan  
Ms S.F. McGurk  
Mr S.A. Millman  
Mr Y. Mubarakai  
Mrs L.M. O'Malley  
Mr P. Papalia  
Mr S.J. Price  
Mr D.T. Punch  
Ms M.M. Quirk  
Mrs M.H. Roberts

Ms C.M. Rowe  
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Ms J.J. Shaw  
Mrs J.M.C. Stojkovski  
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Mr D.A. Templeman  
Mr P.C. Tinley  
Mr R.R. Whitby  
Mr B.S. Wyatt  
Mr D.R. Michael (*Teller*)

Question thus negatived.

## 6. Personal Explanation

Mrs L.M. Harvey made a personal explanation in relation to the Treasurer's remarks during the debate on the Chinese Barley Tariff motion.

## 7. Papers

The following papers were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

By the Clerk –

Attorney General – Correspondence from Commissioner John McKechnie to the Attorney General regarding a media release by the Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission in relation to the appointment of a Commissioner (3394).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Notice given under section 82 by the Minister for Health in relation to Question without Notice 182(2) from the Hon. Tjorn Sibma (3395).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale Repeal Local Law 2020 G.G. 15/05/2020) (3396).

Official Travel – Report of Overseas Air Travel undertaken by Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries and Government Officers on Official Business for the Three Months Ended 31 December 2019 (3397).

## 8. Speaker's Statement – Public Accounts Committee

The Speaker advised members that the Public Accounts Committee had resolved to conduct hearings into the response of the Western Australian Government to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## 9. Notices of Motion

## 10. Removal of Order of the Day

The Speaker advised that Private Members' Business Order of the Day, Live Sheep Export Industry, had not been debated for more than 12 calendar months and had been removed from the Notice Paper.

## 11. Matter of Public Interest – COVID-19 Economic Recovery

The Speaker informed the Assembly that he was in receipt of a notice from Mr D.C. Nalder that he intended to move a motion on a matter of public interest.

At least five members having risen in support,

Mr D.C. Nalder moved,

That this House condemns the McGowan Labor Government for failing to articulate a new jobs target or economic recovery plan to respond to the Covid crisis, especially given the WA economy was already in survival mode prior to Covid-19.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

### Ayes (16)

Mr I.C. Blayney  
Mr V.A. Catania  
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Dr D.J. Honey  
Mr P.A. Katsambanis

Mr Z.R.F. Kirkup  
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Mr R.R. Whitby  
Mr B.S. Wyatt  
Mr D.R. Michael (*Teller*)

Question thus negatived.

## **12. Procurement Bill 2020**

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

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### *Urgent Bill*

The Minister for Finance moved, That the Procurement Bill 2020 be considered an urgent bill.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

### *CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL*

Clauses 1 to 73 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

Leave was granted to proceed forthwith to the third reading of the bill.

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

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time and forwarded to the Legislative Council for concurrence.

## **13. Variation to the Order of Business**

Ordered, That Government Business Order of the Day No. 3 be next considered.

## **14. Children and Community Services Amendment Bill 2019**

The Order of the Day for the further consideration in detail of the bill was read.

### *CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL*

Clauses 32 to 58 agreed to.

Clause 59.

The Minister for Child Protection moved,

Page 37, lines 19 to 28 – To delete the lines.

Amendment put and passed.

Clause 59, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 60 to 70 agreed to.

Clause 71.

The Minister for Child Protection moved,

Page 47, line 30 – To insert after “officer”:

“ or inspector ”.

Amendment put and passed.

Clause 71, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 72 to 75 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

Ordered, That the third reading of the bill be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting of the Assembly.

**15. Notice of Motion after the Time Prescribed**

The Leader of the House was granted leave to give a late notice of motion.

**16. Adjournment**

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 10.32 pm until Wednesday, 20 May 2020 at 12.00 noon.

*Members present during any part of the day's proceedings* – All the members except Ms J. Farrer, Mrs A.K. Hayden, Mr K.J.J. Michel, Mr K.M. O'Donnell and Mr J.R. Quigley.

**KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON**  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

**HON. PETER WATSON**  
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly