

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 205

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2024

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 12.00 noon pursuant to adjournment.

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

2. Speaker's Statement – Absence of the Speaker

The Deputy Speaker advised that the Speaker was unable to attend the House today. As such, he advised that he would not vote in divisions today unless there was a need for a casting vote.

3. Petition

Failing Road Infrastructure in the Mid-West – Mr R.S. Love presented a petition from 103 people expressing deep concern at the appalling state of roads in the Mid-West, and asking the Minister for Transport to immediately upgrade road infrastructure in the Mid-West for the safety of all road users (P. 67).

4. Papers

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

By the Clerk –

Commissioner for Children and Young People – Belonging Across Borders, Understanding the challenges faced by Culturally and Linguistically Diverse children and young people, Key findings from the WA Commissioner for Children and Young People's "Belonging Across Borders" Survey 2024 (3318).

Racing and Wagering Western Australia – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3319).

5. Building Services (Complaint Resolution and Administration) Amendment Bill 2024

Message No. 160 dated 22 October 2024 from the Legislative Council was reported agreeing to the bill without amendment.

6. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Attorney General on the new Court of Appeal pro bono scheme.

The Minister for Volunteering on the 2024 Thank a Volunteer Day Grants Program.

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum on the Fast-Tracking Mining Approvals Strategy.

The Minister for Youth on the Youth Action Plan Koorlangka Bidi.

The Minister for Local Government on the Guide Dogs WA graduation ceremony.

7. Architects Amendment Bill 2024

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Commerce, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Architects Act 2004* and to make consequential amendments to various written laws.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Commerce presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Commerce moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Ms M.J. Davies moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

8. Keystart Bill 2024

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the bill having been read, the Minister for Local Government, on behalf the Minister for Housing moved, That the bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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

9. Family Court Amendment (Commonwealth Reforms) Bill 2024

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 S.A. Millman speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

10. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 1745 to 1752 were asked.

11. Variation to the Order of Business

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

12. Family Court Amendment (Commonwealth Reforms) Bill 2024

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 to 4 agreed to.
Clause 5.
Debate interrupted by the Chair and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

13. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Private Members' Business Notice of Motion No. 2 be next considered.

14. Crime and Violence

Mr R.S. Love, pursuant to notice, moved,

That this House condemns the Cook Labor Government for its failure to address the systemic issues contributing to rising crime and violence in our communities, compromising the safety of Western Australians.

Debate ensued.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Attorney General speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

15. Workers Compensation and Injury Management Amendment (Common Law Election Validation) Bill 2024

Message No. 161 dated 23 October 2024 from the Legislative Council was reported agreeing to the bill without amendment.

16. Adjournment

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 7.00 pm until Thursday, 24 October 2024 at 9.00 am.
Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Ms L.L. Baker, Dr D.J. Honey, Mr K.J.J. Michel, Ms L.A. Munday, Ms M.M. Quirk, Mrs M.H. Roberts and Ms J.J. Shaw.

MATHEW BATES
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTS
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly