

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 30

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTIETH PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2017

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 12.00 noon pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

Prayers were read.

2. Papers

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

By the Speaker –

State Records Office – Annual Report 2016–2017 (832).

By the Clerk –

Auditor General, Office of the – Report 17: Management of Pastoral Lands in Western Australia (833).

Commerce, Department of – Final Report 2016–2017 (834).

Corruption and Crime Commission – Report 1 July 2016–30 June 2017 Fisheries: Report for Minister for Fisheries (835).

Culture and the Arts, Department of – Annual Report 2016–2017 (836).

Fisheries, Department of – Annual Report 2016–2017 (837).

Kimberley Ports Authority – Annual Report 2016–2017 (838).

Landgate – Annual Report 2016–2017 (839).

Lands, Department of – Annual Report 2016–2017 (840).

Local Government and Communities, Department of – Final Report 2016–2017 (841).

National Rail Safety Regulator, Office of the – Annual Report 2016–2017 (842).

National Trust – Annual Report 2016–2017 (843).

Planning, Department of – Annual Report 2016–2017 (844).

Public Transport Authority – Annual Report 2016–2017 (845).

Southern Ports Authority – Annual Report 2016–2017 (846).

Transport, Department of – Annual Report 2016–2017 (847).

Western Australian Planning Commission – Annual Report 2016–2017 (848).

3. Notices of Motion

4. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Mental Health on the events being held throughout the State for the 50th Mental Health Week.

The Minister for Police on Police Remembrance Day and Police Legacy WA.

The Minister for Emergency Services on the new Commissioner of Fire and Emergency services, Darren Klemm.

The Minister for Heritage on the investment of \$7 million into the Heritage Revolving Fund.

The Minister for Sport and Recreation on the contribution to rugby by retiring Western Force player, Matt Hodgson.

The Treasurer on the 2016–2017 Annual Report on State Finances.

Paper

The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

By the Treasurer –

Government of Western Australia – Annual Report on State Finances 2016–2017 (857).

The Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests on the 2017 Diwali Festival.

The Minister for Asian Engagement on his recent Indonesia visit to strengthen the Western Australian – Indonesian relationship.

5. Suspension of Standing Orders – Speeches on Committee Reports Tabled on 14 September 2017

The Leader of the House, pursuant to notice, moved,

That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as is necessary to enable Standing Order 279 to apply to speeches to be made on Thursday, 12 October 2017 in relation to the committee reports tabled on Thursday, 14 September 2017.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

6. Salaries and Allowances Amendment (Debt and Deficit Remediation) Bill 2017

The Minister for Public Sector Management, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend, for the purposes of debt and deficit remediation, the *Salaries and Allowances Act 1975* to prevent increases in the remuneration of certain public offices.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Minister for Public Sector Management presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

The Minister for Public Sector Management moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Ms L. Mettam moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

7. Mineral Sands (Cooljarloo) Mining and Processing Agreement Amendment Bill 2017

The Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Mineral Sands (Cooljarloo) Mining and Processing Agreement Act 1988*.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

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

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

Ms L. Mettam moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

8. Occupational Safety and Health Amendment Bill 2017

The Minister for Commerce and Industrial Relations, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Occupational Safety and Health Act 1984* to increase penalties for offences.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Minister for Commerce and Industrial Relations presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

The Minister for Commerce and Industrial Relations moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Ms L. Mettam moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

9. Mines Safety and Inspection Amendment Bill 2017

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994* to increase penalties for offences.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

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

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Ms L. Mettam moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

10. Appropriation (Recurrent 2017–18) Bill 2017

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

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

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

11. Speaker's Statement – Dianne Jones, Artist-in-Residence

The Speaker noted the presence in the Speaker's Gallery of Ms Dianne Jones, the 2017 Parliament House–Edith Cowan University Artist-in-Residence. Dianne is a renowned Western Australian Noongar photo-media artist whose work explores Aboriginal identity and cultural history. Dianne's work has been exhibited nationally and internationally, and has been acquired by the Art Gallery of Western Australia, the National Gallery of Victoria, and the National Gallery of Australia.

12. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 2150 to 2154 were asked.

Questions on Notice Nos 1768, 1770 to 1774, 1776, 1779, 1780, 1787, 1789, 1790, 1796, 1797, 1804, 1805, 1807, 1814, 1815, 1822, 1825, 1836 to 1848, 1851, 1859, 1862, 1868, 1876, 1877, 1879, 1885, 1893, 1894, 1896, 1902, 1910, 1911, 1913, 1919, 1927, 1928, 1930, 1936, 1944, 1945, 1947, 1949, 1953, 1954, 1961, 1964, 1968, 1970, 1971, 1973, 1984, 1985, 1992, 1995, 1999, 2001, 2003 to 2005, 2007, 2009, 2013, 2015, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2023, 2025, 2029, 2030, 2037, 2039, 2040, 2046, 2047, 2054, 2056, 2057, 2065, 2066, 2073, 2076, 2084 to 2086 and 2090 were answered.

Paper tabled by the Minister for Emergency Services; Corrective Services –

Question on Notice No. 1787 – Table detailing vehicles owned or under lease by the Department of Justice which have not been procured through existing State Fleet arrangements as at 1 July 2017 (858).

Paper tabled by the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and the Arts –

Question on Notice No. 2015 – Tables detailing events attended by officers or board members under the Minister's portfolio of responsibilities which were organised by a private organisation and paid for by the department or agency since 1 January 2017 (849).

Papers tabled by the Minister for Housing; Veterans Issues; Youth –

Question on Notice No. 1902 – Table detailing contact between Ministerial staff and representatives of Hawker Britton Group Pty Ltd since 17 March 2017 (850).

Question on Notice No. 1919 – Table detailing contact between Ministerial staff and representatives of Campaign Capital since 17 March 2017 (851).

Question on Notice No. 1936 – Table detailing contact between Ministerial staff and representatives of GRA Everingham since 17 March 2017 (852).

Paper tabled by the Minister for Child Protection; Women's Interests; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services –

Question on Notice No. 2007 – Tables detailing events attended by officers or board members under the Department of Community Services which were organised by a private organisation and paid for by the department (853).

Papers tabled by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment; Disability Services –

Question on Notice No. 1790 – Table detailing vehicles owned or under lease by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions which have not been procured through existing State Fleet arrangements as at 1 July 2017 (854).

Question on Notice No. 1995 – Table detailing drones purchased by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions since 1 January 2017 (855).

Question on Notice No. 2019 – Tables detailing events attended by officers or board members under the Minister's portfolio of responsibilities which were organised by a private organisation and paid for by the department or agency since 1 January 2017 (856).

13. Unanswered Question on Notice

Mr P.A. Katsambanis asked why no answer had been received in respect of his Question on Notice No. 1974.

Mr Z.R.F. Kirkup asked why no answer had been received in respect of his Questions on Notice Nos 701, 718, 735, 853, 870, 888, 905, 922, 941, 960, 977, 994, 1011, 1028, 1048, 1068, 1085, 1102, 1119, 1136, 1153, 1171, 1188, 1213, 1230, 1259, 1276, 1370, 1387, 1404, 1421, 1439, 1470, 1487, 1504, 1533 and 1548.

14. Additional Information

The Minister for Mental Health provided additional information relating to Estimates Committee B, Supplementary Information B6 on 19 September 2017.

The Minister for Child Protection; Women's Interests; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services provided additional information relating to Estimates Committee B, Division 14 on Thursday 21 September 2017.

15. Appropriation (Capital 2017–18) Bill 2017

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the bill having been read, the Treasurer moved, That the bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Mr Y. Mubarakai speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

16. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Private Members' Business Notices of Motion Nos 13 and 11 be next considered.

17. Mining and Resources Sector in Western Australia

Mr S. L'Estrange, pursuant to notice, moved,

That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the contribution the mining and resources sector makes to the Western Australian economy in terms of investment, employment, research and development and community support;
- (2) notes the failure of the Minister for Mines and Petroleum to advocate for the mining and resources industry, given;
 - (a) the Labor Government has put a stop to uranium mining and the associated jobs it would create;
 - (b) the Labor Government has placed a moratorium on hydraulic fracture stimulation, putting at risk the onshore oil and gas sector and associated jobs; and
 - (c) the Labor Government has sought to impose a \$400 million impost on the gold mining sector, which would jeopardise thousands of jobs and investment; and
- (3) calls on the Minister to apologise to the many thousands of workers in the mining and resources sector for failing to represent their interests in Cabinet.

Debate ensued.

Mr S.A. Millman moved, That all the words after "community support" be deleted.

Debate ensued.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Mr K.M. O'Donnell speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

18. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 7.00 pm until Thursday, 12 October 2017 at 9.00 am.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Mr I.C. Blayney, Ms M.J. Davies, Ms J. Farrer, Ms C.M. Rowe, Ms J.J. Shaw and Mrs J.M.C. Stojkovski.

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. PETER WATSON
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly