

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 117

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 29 MARCH 2023

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 12.00 noon pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

2. Petition

Peel Health Campus Breast Assessment Clinic – Ms L.A. Munday presented a petition from 801 people asking the Legislative Assembly to recommend and support the allocation of Government funding for the provision of a Breast Assessment Clinic at Peel Health Campus (P. 39).

3. Papers

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

By the Clerk –

Auditor General, Office of the – Information Systems Audit – Local Government 2021–22, Report No. 19, 29 March 2023 (1880).

Curtin University – Annual Report 2022 (1881).

Edith Cowan University – Annual Report 2022 (1882).

Murdoch University – Annual Report 2022 (1883).

University of Western Australia – Annual Report 2022 (1884).

4. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Tourism on the total solar eclipse preparations in Exmouth.

The Minister for Science on the 2023 Premier's Science Awards.

The Minister for Sport and Recreation on the recognition of volunteers involved with the upcoming winter sports season.

The Minister for Culture and the Arts on the launch in Paris of the 2022–2032 International Decade of Indigenous Languages.

The Minister for Sport and Recreation on the recent Hockeyroos vs China international hockey matches.

The Attorney General on the Department of Justice’s legal assistance response to the Kimberley flooding disaster.

The Minister for Veterans Issues on the Defence Industry Veterans Employment Scheme.

The Minister for Aboriginal Affairs on the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Council nominations.

The Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests on the 2023 Katanning Harmony Festival.

The Minister for Fisheries on Sustainable Seafood Week.

5. Misuse of Drugs Amendment Bill 2023

The Minister for Police, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Misuse of Drugs Act 1981*.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

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

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

Ms M. Beard moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

6. Workers Compensation and Injury Management Bill 2023

Workers Compensation and Injury Management Amendment Bill 2023

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

Debate resumed.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Ms J.L. Hanns speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

7. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

8. Additional Information

The Minister for Health provided additional information relating to Question without Notice No. 221 from Ms L. Mettam.

9. Unanswered Questions on Notice

The following members asked why no answer had been received in respect of their Questions on Notice –

Mr R.S. Love – Question on Notice No. 689.

Ms L. Mettam – Questions on Notice Nos 642, 643 and 665.

10. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day No. 1 be resumed.

11. Workers Compensation and Injury Management Bill 2023**Workers Compensation and Injury Management Amendment Bill 2023**

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

Debate resumed.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Minister for Industrial Relations speaking in reply) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

12. Variation to the Order of Business

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

13. Cost of Living Pressures on West Australian Households

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

That this House decries the McGowan Labor Government for its failure to deliver key services and meet budget commitments, compounding cost of living pressures on West Australian households.

Debate ensued.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Minister for Early Childhood Education speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

14. Messages from the Deputy of the Governor

Messages from the Deputy of the Governor were reported assenting to the following bills –
No. 8 – 24 March 2023

Land and Public Works Legislation Amendment Bill 2022, Act No. 4 of 2023.

Animal Welfare and Trespass Legislation Amendment Bill 2021, Act No. 5 of 2023.

No. 9 – 29 March 2023

Road Traffic (Vehicles) Amendment (Offensive Advertising) Bill 2022, Act No. 6 of 2023.

Treasurer's Advance Authorisation Bill 2023, Act No. 7 of 2023.

Criminal Investigation Amendment (Validation) Bill 2023, Act No. 8 of 2023.

15. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 7.01 pm until Thursday, 30 March 2023 at 9.00 am.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Ms H.M. Beazley, Ms D.G. D'Anna and Ms C.M. Rowe.

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTS
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly