

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 16

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTIETH PARLIAMENT

THURSDAY, 29 JUNE 2017

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 9.00 am 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 Clerk –

Auditor General, Office of the – Opinion on Ministerial Notification: Report No. 11 June 2017 (385).

Auditor General, Office of the – Information Systems Audit Report: Report No. 12 June 2017 (386).

3. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Health on the cessation of the Western Australian co-payment for needles and syringes under the National Diabetes Services Scheme.

The Minister for Seniors and Ageing on the regulation of Western Australia's prepaid funeral industry.

The Minister for Child Protection on the resignation of the Director General of the Department for Child Protection and Family Support.

4. Grievances

The Speaker called for grievances which were then made.

5. Education and Health Standing Committee

Ms J.M. Freeman, as Chair, presented the following report which was ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

Education and Health Standing Committee – Report No. 1: Clearing the air on e-cigarettes: Factors regarding regulation that require consideration (387).

Mr W.R. Marmion and Ms S.E. Winton spoke on the report.

6. Local Government Amendment (Auditing) Bill 2017

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 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3.

Debate interrupted by the Chair and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

7. Members' Statements

The Acting Speaker called for members' statements which were then made.

8. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 1560 to 1654 were asked.

Questions on Notice Nos 346, 398, 429, 464, 491, 508, 542, 560, 561, 626, 628, 828, 878, 896, 1075, 1093, 1110, 1127, 1144 and 1161 were answered.

Papers tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade -

Question on Notice No. 398 – Number of employees on various types of fixed-term contracts at the Department of Regional Development (including Development Commissions) as at 23 May 2017 (388).

Question on Notice No. 560 – Details of cyber-attacks suffered by the Department of Regional Development (including Development Commissions) in the last financial year (389).

9. Suspension of Standing Orders

Dr M.D. Nahan, 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 expresses a lack of confidence in the Premier and the Minister for Police and Road Safety for their handling of the recruitment process for the appointment of Western Australia's next Police Commissioner and their controversial removal of the Commissioner for Road Safety.

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

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, subject to the debate being limited to 20 minutes for government members and 20 minutes for non-government members.

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Question put.

The Speaker having counted the House, 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.

10. Government Recruitment Process

Dr M.D. Nahan, pursuant to the foregoing motion, moved,

That this House expresses a lack of confidence in the Premier and the Minister for Police and Road Safety for their handling of the recruitment process for the appointment of Western Australia's next Police Commissioner and their controversial removal of the Commissioner for Road Safety.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

Ayes (16)

Mr C.J. Barnett
Mr I.C. Blayney
Ms M.J. Davies
Mrs L.M. Harvey
Mr P. Katsambanis
Mr Z.R.F. Kirkup

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

Mr D.C. Nalder
Mr K. O'Donnell
Mr P.J. Rundle
Ms L. Mettam (*Teller*)

Noes (34)

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. Hamilton
Mr T.J. Healy
Mr M. Hughes
Mr W.J. Johnston
Mr D.J. Kelly
Mr F.M. Logan

Mr M. McGowan
Ms S.F. McGurk
Mr K.J.J. Michel
Mr S.A. Millman
Mr Y. Mubarakai
Mr M.P. Murray
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 R. Saffioti
Ms J.J. Shaw
Mr C.J. Tallentire
Mr D.A. Templeman
Mr P.C. Tinley
Mr B. Urban
Mr R.R. Whitby
Ms S.E. Winton
Mr B.S. Wyatt
Mr D.R. Michael (*Teller*)

Question thus negatived.

11. Public Accounts Committee – Terms of Reference

The Speaker advised members that the Public Accounts Committee had resolved to inquire into the management and oversight of the Perth Children's Hospital project. The Committee will report by 30 November 2017.

12. Constitution Amendment (Demise of the Crown) Bill 2017

The Premier, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for "An Act to amend the *Constitution Act 1889*." be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Premier presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

The Premier moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Mr A. Krsticevic moved, That the debate be adjourned.
Question put and passed.

13. Variation to the Order of Business

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

14. Local Government Amendment (Auditing) Bill 2017

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

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clauses 3 to 22 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 Local Government 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.

15. Special Adjournment

The Leader of the House moved, That the House at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, 8 August 2017 at 2.00 pm.

Question put and passed.

16. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 5.31 pm until Tuesday, 8 August 2017 at 2.00 pm.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Mr V.A. Catania, Ms J. Farrer, Mr D.T. Redman, and Ms A. Sanderson.

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. PETER WATSON
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly