



## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

**THURSDAY, 31 AUGUST 2023**

**10.00am**

### 1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 10.00am pursuant to order.

The President, Hon Alanna Clohesy, took the Chair.

Prayers and an Acknowledgement of Country were read.

### 2. Paper

The following Paper was laid on the Table by —

#### **Minister for Emergency Services on behalf of the Leader of the House**

Reports —

Report of Overseas Air Travel Undertaken by Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries  
and government Officers on Official Business for the three months ended

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### 3. Shire of Westonia Fencing Local Law 2023 — Disallowance

Hon Lorna Harper: To move on the next day of sitting —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, the *Shire of Westonia Fencing Local Law 2023* published in the *Gazette* on 23 May 2023 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 13 June 2023 under the *Local Government Act 1995*, be and is hereby disallowed. (Tabled Paper 2255).

### 4. Shire of Westonia Westonia Historical Precinct Local Law 2023 — Disallowance

Hon Lorna Harper: To move on the next day of sitting —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, the *Shire of Westonia Westonia Historical Precinct Local Law 2023* published in the *Gazette* on 23 May 2023 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 13 June 2023 under the *Local Government Act 1995*, be and is hereby disallowed. (Tabled Paper 2255).

### 5. Shire of Westonia Shipping and/or Sea Container Local Law 2023 — Disallowance

Hon Lorna Harper: To move on the next day of sitting —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, the *Shire of Westonia Shipping and/or Sea Container Local Law 2023* published in the *Gazette* on 23 May 2023 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 13 June 2023 under the *Local Government Act 1995*, be and is hereby disallowed. (Tabled Paper 2255).

## **6. Shire of Chittering Keeping and Control of Cats Local Law 2023 — Disallowance**

Hon Lorna Harper: To move on the next day of sitting —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, the *Shire of Chittering Keeping and Control of Cats Local Law 2023* published in the *Gazette* on 6 June 2023 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 13 June 2023 under the *Cat Act 2011*, be and is hereby disallowed. (Tabled Paper 2253).

## **7. City of Gosnells Bush Fire Brigade Local Law 2023 — Disallowance**

Hon Lorna Harper: To move on the next day of sitting —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, the *City of Gosnells Bush Fire Brigade Local Law 2023* published in the *Gazette* on 9 June 2023 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 13 June 2023 under the *Local Government Act 1995*, be and is hereby disallowed. (Tabled Paper 2255).

## **8. Shire of Waroona Cat Local Law 2023 — Disallowance**

Hon Lorna Harper: To move on the next day of sitting —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, the *Shire of Waroona Cat Local Law 2023* published in the *Gazette* on 9 June 2023 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 13 June 2023 under the *Cat Act 2011*, be and is hereby disallowed. (Tabled Paper 2253).

## **9. Industrial Hemp — economic potential**

Non-Government Business No. 1 having been called, Hon Sophia Moermond moved, without notice —

That, noting the great potential of industrial hemp to contribute to the Western Australian economy, this House urges the Western Australian Government to —

- (a) embrace the hemp industry and its stakeholders;
- (b) ramp up support for the hemp industry to expand and meet production and income targets set by the Federal Government through Agrifutures;
- (c) assess the feasibility of subsidising hemp processing facilities and incentivising wholesale buyers in the construction industry to use hempcrete as a building material;
- (d) study the recommendations of the Agrifutures research development and extension plan for industrial hemp with a view to taking steps to support the implementation of these recommendations, as feasible; and
- (e) acknowledge the agricultural benefit of hemp regarding carbon credits and carbon sequestration.

Debate ensued.

*Motion lapsed.*

## **10. Order of Business**

Ordered — That Orders of the Day Nos 4, *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2023 — Disallowance*, and 5, *City of Kalamunda Keeping and Control of Cats Local Law 2023 — Disallowance*, be taken after Order of the Day No. 11, *Liquor Control Amendment (Banned Drinkers Register) Bill 2023*. (Leader of the House).

**11. Shire of Wyalkatchem Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2022 — Disallowance — Discharge from Notice Paper**

The Order of the Day having been called, Hon Lorna Harper moved, without notice —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, Order of the Day No. 1, *Shire of Wyalkatchem Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2022 — Disallowance*, be discharged from the Notice Paper.

Question — put and passed.

**12. Shire of Wyalkatchem Cats Local Law 2022 — Disallowance — Discharge from Notice Paper**

The Order of the Day having been called, Hon Lorna Harper moved, without notice —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, Order of the Day No. 2, *Shire of Wyalkatchem Cats Local Law 2022 — Disallowance*, be discharged from the Notice Paper.

Question — put and passed.

**13. Shire of Wyalkatchem Public Places and Local Government Property Local Law 2022 — Disallowance — Discharge from Notice Paper**

The Order of the Day having been called, Hon Lorna Harper moved, without notice —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, Order of the Day No. 3, *Shire of Wyalkatchem Public Places and Local Government Property Local Law 2022 — Disallowance*, be discharged from the Notice Paper.

Question — put and passed.

**14. Abortion Legislation Reform Bill 2023**

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the second reading of this Bill. Debate resumed.

Hon Nick Goiran spoke to the question a second time in explanation in accordance with Standing Order 38.

Debate resumed.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Acting President left the Chair.

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**In Committee**

(Hon Stephen Pratt in the Chair)

Clause 1.

Debate ensued.

**15. Questions Without Notice**

Questions without notice were taken.

The Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Dr Brad Pettitt.

The Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Transport, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Dr Brad Pettitt.

The Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police tabled a response to a question without notice asked by Hon Nick Goiran. (Tabled Paper 2473).

**16. Abortion Legislation Reform Bill 2023**

Resumption of consideration of this Bill in Committee of the Whole House (*see item 14 above*).  
The President left the Chair.

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**In Committee**

(Hon Sandra Carr in the Chair)

Clause 1.

Debate resumed.

*Interruption pursuant to order.*

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The President resumed the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the Bill, made progress, and seeks to sit again.

Ordered — That the Committee of the Whole House sit again.

**17. Statement by President — Caroline Van Beelen — Retirement**

The President made the following Statement —

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge *Hansard* reporter Caroline van Beelen. Caroline commenced with *Hansard* on 30 March 1987 and served for more than 36 years. In that time, Caroline reported over many Parliaments. Caroline is highly regarded by her colleagues and Members alike, and I hope you will join me in wishing Caroline all the best for her recent retirement. Caroline, we express our gratitude and appreciation for your long and dedicated service to the Parliament of Western Australia.

**18. Members' Statements**

Statements were taken.

**19. Rail Safety National Law Application Bill 2023**

The President reported the receipt of Message No. 120 from the Legislative Assembly forwarding the Bill for concurrence.

The Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Transport moved, That the Bill be read a first time.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

The Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Transport moved, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Transport tabled an Explanatory Memorandum relating to the Bill. (Tabled Paper 2474).

Debate stands adjourned and Bill referred to the Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review [SO 126].

**20. Adjournment**

The Council adjourned at 6.05pm until Tuesday, 12 September 2023 at 1.00pm.

**Members present during the day's proceedings**

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Martin Aldridge and Hon Steve Martin.

**SAM HASTINGS**

Clerk of the Legislative Council

**HON ALANNA CLOHESY MLC**

President of the Legislative Council