

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 61

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

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THURSDAY, 17 MARCH 2022

### 1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 9.00 am pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

### 2. Petition

Unreliable Power Supply in the Mid West – Mr R.S. Love presented a petition from 203 people asking the Legislative Assembly to request the Minister for Energy to take action to ensure the delivery of a reliable power supply to residents and businesses in the Shire of Irwin (P. 29).

### 3. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Industrial Relations on Western Australia's support for Australia's ratification of the 2014 International Labour Organization Protocol to the Forced Labour Convention.

The Minister for Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence on the 'Aboriginal Family Safety Strategy', a collaborative initiative to improve responses to family and domestic violence in Aboriginal communities.

The Minister for Small Business on a recent visit to small businesses in Bunbury.

The Minister for Environment on translocations, captive breeding and seed production to protect and conserve Western Australia's flora and fauna.

The Minister for Environment on a recent visit to Western Australia's south-west forests.

### 4. Grievances

The Acting Speaker called for grievances which were then made.

### 5. Forest Products Amendment Bill 2021

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 10 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 Forestry 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.

#### **6. Railway (METRONET) Amendment Bill 2022**

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.

#### **7. Members' Statements**

The Acting Speaker called for members' statements which were then made.  
Ms H.M. Beazley participated remotely.

#### **8. Questions**

Questions without Notice were taken.  
Questions on Notice Nos 436 to 454 were asked.

#### **9. Additional Information**

The Minister for Community Services provided additional information relating to Question without Notice No. 120 from Ms M.J. Davies.

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#### *Paper*

The following paper was presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –  
By the Minister for Community Services –

Community Services, Minister for – Department of Communities – Timeline of events in relation to the investigation of unauthorised access to documents from the Department of Communities (1018).

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#### **10. Unanswered Questions on Notice**

Ms M.J. Davies asked why no answer had been received in respect of Questions on Notice Nos. 355 to 373.

**11. Mutual Recognition (Western Australia) Amendment Bill 2021**

Message No. 41 dated 17 March 2022 from the Legislative Council was reported forwarding for concurrence a bill for “An Act to amend the *Mutual Recognition (Western Australia) Act 2020* and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.”

Ordered, That the first reading of the bill be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting of the Assembly.

**12. Variation to the Order of Business**

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

**13. Railway (METRONET) Amendment Bill 2022**

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

Debate resumed.

Ms E.L. Hamilton moved, That debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

**14. Small Business Development Corporation Amendment (COVID-19 Response) Bill 2022**

Message No. 42 dated 17 March 2022 from the Legislative Council was reported agreeing to the bill without amendment.

**15. Adjournment**

Ms E.L. Hamilton moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 3.45 pm until Tuesday, 22 March 2022 at 2.00 pm.

*Members present during any part of the day's proceedings* – All the members except Ms L.L. Baker, Ms H.M. Beazley, Mr V.A. Catania, Mrs R.M.J. Clarke, Mr R.H. Cook, Ms K.E. Giddens, Mr P. Papalia, Mr S.J. Price, Ms M.M. Quirk, Ms C.M. Rowe, Ms J.J. Shaw, Mr D.A. Templeman, Mr P.C. Tinley and Ms C.M. Tonkin.

*Members participating remotely during any part of the day's proceedings* – Ms H.M. Beazley.

**KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON**  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

**HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTS**  
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly