

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 124

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTIETH PARLIAMENT

THURSDAY, 11 APRIL 2019

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. Papers

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

By the Clerk –

Criminal Investigation (Covert Powers) Act 2012 – Annual Report 2017–2018 by the Corruption and Crime Commission regarding WA Police Force – Report for Minister for Police (2363).

Criminal Investigation (Covert Powers) Act 2012 – WA Police Force Assumed Identities Annual Report 2013–2014 pursuant to subsection 76(1) of the Act (2364).

Economic Regulation Authority – Report to the Minister for Energy on the Effectiveness of the Wholesale Electricity Market 2018 – Final Report April 2019 (2365).

3. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Health on the commencement of public consultations by the Ministerial Expert Panel on Voluntary Assisted Dying.

The Minister for Road Safety on the partnership between the Insurance Commission of Western Australia and Netball WA, designed to promote the Belt Up campaign.

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum on the Future of Mining Awards.

The Minister for Industrial Relations on the final report of the Ministerial Review of the State Industrial Relations System.

Papers

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

By the Minister for Industrial Relations –

Industrial Relations, Minister for – Ministerial Review of the State Industrial Relations System, Final Report (2366).

Industrial Relations, Minister for – Proposed Reforms in Response to the Ministerial Review of the State Industrial Relations System (2367).

The Minister for Community Services on the Homelessness Directions Paper developed by the Department of Communities.

The Attorney General on the appointments of two senior judicial officers, Jennifer Hill to the Supreme Court and Justice John Vaughan to the Court of Appeal.

The Attorney General on the new Seniors Rights and Advocacy Service within Legal Aid WA.

4. Grievances

The Acting 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 – The Food Fix – The role of diet in type 2 diabetes prevention and management, Report No. 6 (2368).

Education and Health Standing Committee – The Food Fix – The role of diet in type 2 diabetes prevention and management, Report No. 6, Submissions (2369).

Mr R.S. Love and Mr W.R. Marmion spoke on the report.

6. Economics and Industry Standing Committee

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

Economics and Industry Standing Committee – Implications of a Distributed Energy Future: Interim Report, Report No. 5 (2370).

Economics and Industry Standing Committee – Implications of a Distributed Energy Future: Interim Report, Report No. 5, Submissions (2371).

7. Death of Hon Richard Lewis – a former Member of the Legislative Assembly

The Premier, without notice, moved,

That the House records its sincere regret at the death of Hon Richard Lewis and tenders its deep sympathy to his family.

The motion was supported by Dr M.D. Nahan, Mr P.J. Rundle, Mrs L.M. Harvey, Mr D.C. Nalder, Mr W.R. Marmion, Mrs M.H. Roberts and Mr J.E. McGrath.

Question put and passed unanimously with members and officers of the Assembly standing in their places as a mark of respect.

8. Economics and Industry Standing Committee

Further to the report presented by Ms J.J. Shaw, as Chair, prior to the condolence motion for Hon Richard Lewis (see paragraph 6), Mr S.K. L'Estrange, Mr D.T. Redman and Mr S.J. Price spoke on the report.

9. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Business of the Assembly Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until the next sitting of the Assembly.

10. Withdrawal of Notice of Motion

The Leader of the House withdrew Government Business – Notice of Motion No. 1.

11. Infrastructure Western Australia Bill 2019

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

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clause 3.

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

12. Members' Statements

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

13. Speaker's Statement – Supplementary Questions

The Speaker advised members that there are no formal Standing Orders regarding supplementary questions, and they are asked at the discretion of the Speaker and it is for the Speaker to determine whether a supplementary question is in order. The Speaker advised that in exercising his discretion he is guided by the following principles.

A supplementary question may be used by a member to seek further information or to clarify a matter raised in the member's original question, or in the answer given by the Minister. The supplementary question must be short and precise and closely related to the original question or the answer.

The Speaker advised that he is prepared to give some latitude in allowing supplementary questions to have a very brief preamble, but only in order to render the question intelligible. Ministers should ensure their responses to supplementary questions are succinct and relevant.

14. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Paper

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

By the Premier –

Premier – Extract from Hansard on Electricity Generation and Retail Corporation Regulatory Scheme on 25 June 2015 (2372).

Questions on Notice Nos 5079 to 5084 were asked.

Question on Notice No. 4497 was answered.

15. Matter of Public Interest – Impacts on Western Australian Households

The Speaker informed the Assembly that he was in receipt of a notice from Dr M.D. Nahan that he intended to move a motion on a matter of public interest.

At least five members having risen in support,

Dr M.D. Nahan moved,

That this House notes the significant fall in house values, the 68.5 per cent increase in mortgage stress since the election of the McGowan Government, and the potential impact on house and rental values if Bill Shorten is elected, and calls on the McGowan Government to immediately indicate what it will do to support Western Australian households, including rejecting the policies of Bill Shorten and the Federal Labor Party.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The Assembly divided.

Ayes (11)

Dr D.J. Honey
Mr P.A. Katsambanis
Mr A. Krsticevic
Mr S.K. L'Estrange

Mr W.R. Marmion
Mr J.E. McGrath
Dr M.D. Nahan
Mr D.C. Nalder

Mr D.T. Redman
Mr P.J. Rundle
Ms L. Mettam (*Teller*)

Noes (35)

Ms L.L. Baker
Dr A.D. Buti
Mr J.N. Carey
Mr R.H. Cook
Ms J. Farrer
Mr M.J. Folkard
Ms J.M. Freeman
Ms E.L. Hamilton
Mr M. Hughes
Mr W.J. Johnston
Mr D.J. Kelly
Mr F.M. Logan

Mr M. McGowan
Ms S.F. McGurk
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
Mr J.R. Quigley
Ms M.M. Quirk
Mrs M.H. Roberts

Ms R. Saffioti
Ms A. Sanderson
Ms J.J. Shaw
Mrs J.M.C. Stojkovski
Mr C.J. Tallentire
Mr D.A. Templeman
Mr P.C. Tinley
Mr R.R. Whitby
Ms S.E. Winton
Mr B.S. Wyatt
Mr D.R. Michael (*Teller*)

Question thus negated.

16. Variation to the Order of Business

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

17. Infrastructure Western Australia Bill 2019

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

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clauses 3 to 7 agreed to.

Clause 8.

Mr D.T. Redman moved,

Page 8, after line 25 – To insert:

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- (4) When performing its functions in a regional context Infrastructure WA must consult the relevant Regional Development Commission for advice on:
- (a) capacity for the project to unlock economic potential of the region;
 - (b) service equity to regional communities;
 - (c) cultural considerations where appropriate; and
 - (d) other matters as directed by the Premier.

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The Leader of the House moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

18. Notice of Motion after the Time Prescribed

The Leader of the House was granted leave to give a late notice of motion.

19. Special Adjournment

The Leader of the House moved, That the House at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, 7 May 2019 at 2.00 pm.

Question put and passed.

20. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 5.23 pm until Tuesday, 7 May 2019 at 2.00 pm.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Mr I.C. Blayney, Mr V.A. Catania, Ms M.J. Davies, Mrs A.K. Hayden, Mr Z.R.F. Kirkup, Mr K.M. O'Donnell and Ms C.M. Rowe.

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. PETER WATSON
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly