

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 202

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2024

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. Papers

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

By the Clerk –

Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions, Department of – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3287).

Environmental Protection Authority – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3288).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Section 65 notice from the Minister for Culture and the Arts; Sport and Recreation; International Education; Heritage advising the House of the late tabling of the 2023–2024 Annual Report for the Arts and Culture Trust and the Art Gallery of Western Australia (3289).

Justice, Department of – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3290).

Metropolitan Cemeteries Board – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3291).

Mid West Ports Authority – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3292).

Road Safety Council – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3293).

Venues West – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3294).

Veterinary Practice Board – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3295).

Western Australian Meat Authority – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3296).

Zoological Parks Authority – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3297).

3. Brief Ministerial Statement

A Brief Ministerial Statement was made by –

The Minister for Health on the death of Dr Ros Worthington OAM, and acknowledging her significant contribution to the community.

4. Withdrawal of Notice of Motion

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum withdrew Business of the Assembly – Notice of Motion No. 1.

5. Workers Compensation and Injury Management Amendment (Common Law Election Validation) Bill 2024

Pursuant to the Suspension of Standing Orders agreed on 15 October 2024, 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.

Leave was granted to proceed forthwith to the third reading of the bill.

The Minister for Industrial Relations moved, That the bill be now read a third time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time and forwarded to the Legislative Council for concurrence.

6. Industrial Relations Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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

CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL

Clauses 44 to 160 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 Industrial Relations 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.

7. Local Government Amendment Bill 2024

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 P.J. Rundle speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

8. Speaker's Statement – Retirement of the Speaker

The Speaker announced that after 30 years of service in the Legislative Assembly, she would be relinquishing her pre-selection for the electorate of Midland and would not be contesting the next election.

9. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 1456 to 1741 were asked.

Questions on Notice Nos 1264, 1303 to 1305, 1346, 1355, 1365 and 1374 were answered.

10. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day No. 3 be resumed.

11. Local Government Amendment Bill 2024

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 (Dr D.J. Honey speaking) 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. Housing and Homelessness

Ms L. Mettam, pursuant to notice, moved,

That this House condemns the Cook Labor Government for its failure to address the housing crisis, resulting in a shortage of affordable homes, an increase in homelessness, and a lack of long-term solutions for West Australians.

Debate ensued.

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

14. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day No. 3 be resumed.

15. Local Government Amendment Bill 2024

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 61 agreed to.

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

16. Adjournment

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

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 10.33 pm until Thursday, 17 October 2024 at 9.00 am.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Ms L.L. Baker, Ms D.G. D'Anna, Ms J.L. Hanns, Mr P. Lilburne, Mrs M.R. Marshall, and Mr K.J.J. Michel.

MATHEW BATES

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTS

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly