WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 162

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

TUESDAY, 13 FEBRUARY 2024

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 1.00 pm pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

2. Speaker's Statement – Joint Sitting to fill a Vacancy in the Senate

The Speaker advised that a Joint Sitting of both Houses was held on Thursday, 1 February 2024 and that Varun Ghosh was duly elected as a Senator of the Commonwealth Parliament.

3. Message from the Governor

Message No. 34 from His Excellency the Governor was reported assenting to the following bills –

Electoral Amendment (Finance and Other Matters) Bill 2023, Act No. 30 of 2023.

Western Australian Marine Amendment Bill 2023, Act No. 31 of 2023.

Guardianship and Administration Amendment (Medical Research) Bill 2023, Act No. 32 of 2023.

Legal Deposit Amendment Bill 2023, Act No. 33 of 2023.

Planning and Development Amendment Bill 2023, Act No. 34 of 2023.

4. Planning and Development Amendment Bill 2023

Message No. 119 dated 30 November 2023 from the Legislative Council was reported agreeing to the bill without amendment.

5. Papers

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

Building Act 2011 – Regulations (Building Amendment Regulations 2023) (2584).

Building Services (Complaint Resolution and Administration) Act 2011; Plumbers Licensing Act 1995 – Regulations (Commerce Regulations Amendment (Plumbing) Regulations 2024) (2585).

Bush Fires Act 1954 – Local Laws (Shire of Boddington Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2023 G.G. 08/12/2023) (2586).

Bush Fires Act 1954 – Regulations (Bush Fires Amendment Regulations 2024) (2587).

Cat Act 2011 – Local Laws (City of Wanneroo Cats Local Law 2023 G.G. 30/11/2023) (2588).

Construction Industry Portable Paid Long Service Leave Act 1985 – Regulations (Construction Industry Portable Paid Long Service Leave Amendment Regulations 2023) (2589).

District Court of Western Australia Act 1969 – Rules (District Court Amendment Rules (No. 2) 2024) (2590).

District Court of Western Australia Act 1969 – Rules (District Court Amendment Rules 2023) (2591).

Dog Act 1976 – Local Laws (Shire of Ravensthorpe Dogs Local Law 2010 – Updated with Amendment March 2022 G.G. 07/02/2024) (2592).

Economic Regulation Authority Act 2003 – Regulations (Economic Regulation Authority (Railways Access Funding) Amendment Regulations 2023) (2593).

Education and Care Services National Law (WA) Act 2012 – Regulations (Education and Care Services National Amendment Regulations (No. 4) 2023) (2594).

Environmental Protection Act 1986 – Orders (Environmental Protection (Darling Range Bauxite Mining Proposals) Exemption Order 2023) (2595).

Environmental Protection Act 1986 – Regulations (Environmental Protection Amendment Regulations 2024) (2596).

Fair Trading Act 2010 – Notices (Treasury Laws Amendment (Precontractual Disclosure and Other Measures) Regulations 2023 G.G. 09/01/2024) (2597).

Fair Trading Act 2010 – Regulations (Fair Trading (Pre-paid Funerals Code of Practice) Amendment Regulations 2024) (2598).

Financial Management Act 2006 – Regulations (Financial Management Amendment Regulations 2023) (2599).

Fish Resources Management Act 1994 — Orders (Prohibition on Recreational Fishing For Abalone Order 2024 G.G. 02/02/2024) (2600).

Government of Western Australia – Mid-Year Financial Projections Statement – December 2023 (2601).

Government of Western Australia – Quarterly Financial Results Report – September 2023 (2602).

Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (WA) Act 2010 – Regulations (Health Practitioner Regulation National Law Amendment (Professional Indemnity Insurance) Regulation 2023) (2603).

Health Services Act 2016 – Orders (Health Services (Fees and Charges) Amendment Order 2024) (2604).

Human Tissue and Transplant Act 1982 – Regulations (Human Tissue and Transplant Regulations 2024) (2605).

Land Administration Act 1997 – Proposal: Submission No. 06/2023 under the Act for the excision from Class A Reserve 12439 for the purpose of 'Recreation Act 43 – 1968' managed by the City of Wanneroo (2606).

Liquor Control Act 1988 – Regulations (Liquor Control Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2023) (2607).

Liquor Control Act 1988 – Rules (Liquor Commission Amendment Rules (No. 2) 2023) (2608).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (City of Busselton Dogs Local Law 2023 G.G. 12/01/2024) (2609).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (City of Kalamunda Keeping and Control of Cats Amendment Local Law 2023 G.G. 15/12/2023) (2610).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (City of Melville Parking Local Law 2023 G.G. 19/12/2023) (2611).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (City of Perth Parking Amendment Local Law 2023 G.G. 15/12/2023) (2612).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (City of Stirling Meeting Procedures Amendment Local Law 2023 G.G. 19/01/2024) (2613).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (Shire of Ashburton Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2023 G.G. 19/12/2023) (2614).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (Shire of Augusta Margaret River Cat Amendment Local Law 2023 G.G. 09/02/2024) (2615).

Local Government Act 1995 — Local Laws (Shire of Dardanup Cats Local Law 2023 G.G. 28/11/2023) (2616).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (Shire of Dardanup Parking Amendment Local Law 2023 G.G. 19/12/2023) (2617).

Local Government Act 1995 – Local Laws (Shire of Waroona Cat Amendment Local Law 2023 G.G. 19/01/2024) (2618).

Main Roads Act 1930 – Regulations (Main Roads (General) Regulations 2023) (2619).

Mental Health Act 2014 – Regulations (Mental Health Amendment Regulations (No. 4) 2023) (2620).

National Gas Access (WA) Act 2009 – Regulations (National Gas Access (WA) (Act Amendment) Regulations (No. 2) 2024) (2621).

Official Travel – Report of Overseas Air Travel undertaken by Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries and Government Officers on Official Business for the Three Months Ended 7 June 2023 (2622).

Railways (Access) Act 1998 – Codes (Railways (Access) Amendment Code 2023) (2623).

Residential Tenancies Act 1987 – Regulations (Residential Tenancies Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2023) (2624).

School Education Act 1999 — Orders (Higher School Leaving Age Options Order 2024 G.G. 05/01/2024) (2625).

State Superannuation Act 2000 – Regulations (State Superannuation Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2023) (2626).

Surveillance Devices Act 1998 – Regulations (Surveillance Devices Amendment Regulations 2023) (2627).

Taxation Administration Act 2003 — Notices (Taxation Administration (Pre-enactment Provisions Determination) Notice (No. 2) 2023 G.G. 05/12/2023) (2628).

Teacher Registration Act 2012 – Regulations (Teacher Registration Regulations Amendment Regulations 2023) (2629).

Vocational Education and Training Act 1996 – Regulations (Vocational Education and Training (Colleges) Amendment Regulations 2024) (2630).

Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Levy Act 2007 – Regulations (Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Levy Amendment Regulations 2023) (2631).

Western Australian Marine Act 1982 – Regulations (Navigable Waters Amendment Regulations 2023) (2632).

Western Australian Marine Act 1982 – Regulations (Western Australian Marine (Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2023) (2633).

Western Australian Meat Industry Authority Act 1976 – Regulations (Western Australian Meat Industry Authority Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2023) (2634).

Western Australian Treasury Corporation – Quarterly Financial Results Report – March 2023 (2635).

Western Australian Treasury Corporation – Quarterly Performance Report for the period ending December 2023 (2636).

6. Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission

The Speaker reported that a response by the Minister for Police to the recommendations of the Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission's Report No. 10, Annual Report 2022–23 had not been received by the required time.

7. Removal of Order of the Day

The Speaker advised that Private Members' Business Order of the Day, Pressures Impacting WA Households, had not been debated for more than 12 calendar months and had been removed from the Notice Paper.

8. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Premier on the reconstitution of the Ministry.

Papers

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

Premier – Reconstitution of the Ministry (2637).

Premier – Coordinating Ministers, Cook Labor Government as at 8 December 2023 (2638).

Ministers' Representation in the Other House – Allocation of Portfolios as at 8 December 2023 (2639).

Premier – Portfolio Responsibilities as at 8 December 2023 (2640).

9. Premier's Statement

The Premier made a statement.

On the question, That the Premier's Statement be noted,

Debate ensued.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Mr P.J. Rundle speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

10. Speaker's Statement – Media Presence for Question Time

The Speaker advised that press photographers will be present in the galleries from 2.00 pm today to obtain footage of the first 20 minutes question time.

11. Questions

Ouestions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 968 to 969 were asked.

Questions on Notice Nos 914, 919, 924, 925, 929, 931 to 933 and 945 to 952 were answered.

12. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of the debate on the Premier's Statement be resumed.

13. **Premier's Statement**

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate upon the question, That the Premier's Statement be noted, was read.

Debate resumed.

Mr P.J. Rundle moved, That the following words be added after "noted" –

and that this House condemns the Cook Labor Government for its failure to stand up for Western Australia's interests in the face of live export bans and for its failure to stand up to the Federal Labor Government and its policies which are harming the people and businesses of WA.

Debate ensued.

Amendment put.

The Assembly divided.

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Mr S.N. Aubrey	Mr M. Hughes	Mr P. Papalia
Mr G. Baker	Mr W.J. Johnston	Mr S.J. Price
Ms L.L. Baker	Mr H.T. Jones	Ms R. Saffioti
Ms H.M. Beazley	Ms E.J. Kelsbie	Ms A. Sanderson
Dr A.D. Buti	Ms A.E. Kent	Mr D.A.E. Scaife
Mr J.N. Carey	Dr J. Krishnan	Ms J.J. Shaw
Mrs R.M.J. Clarke	Mr P. Lilburne	Ms R.S. Stephens
Ms C.M. Collins	Mrs M.R. Marshall	Mrs J.M.C. Stojkovski
Mr R.H. Cook	Ms S.F. McGurk	Dr K. Stratton
Ms L. Dalton	Mr D.R. Michael	Mr C.J. Tallentire
Ms D.G. D'Anna	Mr K.J.J. Michel	Mr D.A. Templeman
Mr M.J. Folkard	Mr S.A. Millman	Ms C.M. Tonkin
Ms E.L. Hamilton	Mr Y. Mubarakai	Ms S.E. Winton
Ms M.J. Hammat	Ms L.A. Munday	Ms C.M. Rowe (Teller)
Mr T.J. Healy	Mrs L.M. O'Malley	

Amendment thus negatived.

Debate resumed.

The Minister for Education moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

14. Adjournment

The Minister for Education moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 7.02 pm until Wednesday, 14 February 2024 at 12.00 noon.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Ms K.E. Giddens, Ms J.L. Hanns, Mr D.J. Kelly, Mr D.T. Punch, Ms M.M. Quirk, Mr P.C. Tinley and Mr R.R. Whitby.

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON Clerk of the Legislative Assembly HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTS Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

