



# HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

SESSION OF 2019

(SECOND SESSION OF THE FORTY-NINTH PARLIAMENT)

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 3

THURSDAY 21 MARCH 2019

**1** The House met at Ten o'clock a.m.

**2** ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL PEOPLE. - The Speaker made a statement acknowledging the traditional people of the land.

**3** PRAYERS AND REFLECTION. – The Speaker read Prayers.

**4** EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT. – The Speaker said:

“Honourable Members, in early March I spoke with the Clerk of the House about extending the existing employee assistance program covering parliamentary officers to all Members of this Parliament. Such employee assistance programs apply throughout the State Service, that means to all servants of the public. I am pleased to advise that such an extension has been enabled by way of an extension of our existing contract with Converge International.

This program will remain strictly confidential and is designed to enhance the emotional, mental and general physiological wellbeing of parliamentary employees, and now Members, and includes services for immediate family members.

The aim of the program is to provide preventative and proactive interventions for the early detection, identification and/or resolution of both work and personal problems that may adversely affect performance and wellbeing.

The service is available 24 hours a day seven days a week to facilitate inquiries. Booking requests can provide assistance in crisis situations.

I hope that is to the satisfaction of the House. We thank the Clerk, even though he does not wish to be thanked.”

**5** QUESTIONS SEEKING INFORMATION. – In accordance with Standing Order No. 43, Questions without notice were asked.

**6** PAPERS. – The Minister for Health laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

(1) Ambulance Service Act 1982:

(a) Ambulance Service Amendment Regulations 2018 (Statutory Rules 2018, No. 82);

(b) Ambulance Service (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2018 (Statutory Rules 2018, No. 83); and

(c) Ambulance Service (Paramedic) Amendment Regulations 2018 (Statutory Rules 2018, No. 84).

- (2) Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (Queensland): Health Practitioner Regulation National Law Regulation 2018.

**7** PAPERS. – The Treasurer laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

Office of the Tasmanian Economic Regulator:

- (a) Comparison of Australian Standing Offer Energy Prices February 2019; and  
(b) Energy in Tasmania Report 2017-18.

**8** PAPERS. – The Clerk of the House laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

- (1) Tasmanian Audit Office: Report of the Auditor-General No. 8 of 2018-19, Student Attendance and Engagement: Years 7 to 10 – March 2019.  
(2) Report of Joint Meeting of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly on 20 March 2019 – to choose a Senator in the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia.

**9** BILL NO. 5. – The Minister for Justice presented -

“A Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code Act 1924, the Community Protection (Offender Reporting) Act 2005, the Family Violence Act 2004 and the Justices Act 1959”.

And Ms *Archer* having presented the said Bill, the same was read the First time and made an Order of the Day for tomorrow.

**10** BILL NO. 6. – The Minister for Primary Industries and Water presented -

“A Bill for an Act to wind up the Fruit and Nut Research, Development and Extension Trust Fund and to repeal the Fruit and Nut Industry (Research, Development and Extension Trust Fund) Act 2012”.

And Mr *Barnett* having presented the said Bill, the same was read the First time and made an Order of the Day for tomorrow.

**11** LEAVE TO MAKE MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE. - *Ordered*, That the Minister for Health have leave to make a Motion without Notice. (The Minister for Health)

**12** ADJOURNMENT. - *Ordered*, That the House, at its rising, adjourn till Tuesday, 9 April next. (The Minister for Health)

**13** LEAVE TO MAKE MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE. – A Motion being made and the Question being proposed that Ms *White* have leave to make a Motion without notice. (Ms *White*)

A debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

**14** SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS. – A Motion being made and the Question being proposed - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent a Motion of Censure in the Minister for Health, of which notice has been given this day, from being brought on for debate forthwith. (Ms *White*)

A debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

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*Mr Bacon*

*Ms Archer*

*Dr Broad*

*Mr Barnett*

*Ms Butler*

*Ms Courtney*

*Ms Dow*

*Mr Ferguson*

*Ms Haddad*

*Mr Gutwein*

*Mr O'Byrne*

*Mr Hodgman*

*Ms O'Byrne*

*Mrs Petrusma*

*Ms O'Connor*

*Mr Rockliff*

*Ms White*

*Mrs Rylah*

*Dr Woodruff*

*Mr Tucker*

*Ms Standen (Teller)*

*Mr Shelton (Teller)*

The Speaker said – “This Motion requires a two-thirds majority to be agreed to, so the Question therefore passes in the Negative.”

**15** MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE: GAMBLING POLICY - *Ms O'Connor*, in accordance with Standing Orders, moved - That the House take note of the following matter:

Gambling Policy.

And the Question being proposed;

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

**16** BILL NO. 3. - The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of the Electoral Amendment Bill 2019.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed - That the Bill be now read the Second time. (The Attorney-General)

A Debate arose thereupon.

**17** SUSPENSION OF SITTING. - At One o'clock the Speaker left the Chair.  
At half-past Two o'clock the Speaker resumed the Chair.

**18** BILL NO. 3. - And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the Debate.

*Ordered*, in accordance with Standing Order 129(2) - That the Debate be adjourned till a later hour.  
(The Attorney-General)

**19** PREMIER'S ADDRESS. - The Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the adjourned debate on the Question proposed on Tuesday, 19 March 2019 - That the Premier's Address be noted.

And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the said adjourned debate.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be adjourned till tomorrow. (The Minister for Energy)

**20** BILL NO. 3. - The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on this day - That the Electoral Amendment Bill 2019 be now read the Second time;

And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the Second time.

And the Bill was, accordingly, read the Second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

And the Speaker having left the Chair, the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

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(In the Committee)

Mrs *Rylah* took the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 16 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without Amendment.

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The House being resumed, Mrs *Rylah* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed her to report the same to the House without Amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the Third time.

And the Bill was, accordingly, read the Third time.

**21** BILL NO. 3. - A Message to the Legislative Council. -

MR PRESIDENT

The House of Assembly hath passed a Bill, intituled "A Bill for an Act to amend the Electoral Act 2004",

to which the House desires the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

*House of Assembly, 21 March 2018.*

SUE HICKEY, *Speaker*.

**22** BILL NO. 4. - The Motor Accidents (Liabilities and Compensation) Amendment Bill 2019 was, according to Order, read the Second time, and in accordance with Standing Orders, there being no Member wishing to speak to the Clauses in the Committee of the whole House;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the Third time.

And the Bill was, accordingly, read the Third time.

**23** BILL NO. 4. - A Message to the Legislative Council. -

MR PRESIDENT

The House of Assembly hath passed a Bill, intituled “A Bill for an Act to amend the Motor Accidents (Liabilities and Compensation) Act 1973”,

to which the House desires the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

*House of Assembly, 21 March 2019.*

*SUE HICKEY, Speaker.*

**24** BILL NO. 42 of 2018. - A Message from the Legislative Council -

MADAM SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has agreed, without Amendment, to a Bill, intituled - "A Bill for an Act to amend certain legislation consequent on the enactment of the Gas Industry Act 2018 and the Gas Safety Act 2018".

*Legislative Council, 21 March 2019.*

*J. S. WILKINSON, President.*

**25** BILL NO. 57 of 2018. - A Message from the Legislative Council -

MADAM SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has agreed, without Amendment, to a Bill, intituled - "A Bill for an Act to amend the Energy Co-ordination and Planning Act 1995".

*Legislative Council, 21 March 2019.*

*J. S. WILKINSON, President.*

**26** BILL NO. 40 of 2018. - A Message from the Legislative Council. -

MADAM SPEAKER

The Legislative Council having this day agreed, with Amendments, to a Bill, intituled –

“A Bill for an Act to regulate gas activities, to repeal the Gas Act 2000 and the Gas Pipelines Act 2000, and for related purposes”,

now returns the same to the House of Assembly, and requests its concurrence therein.

*Legislative Council, 21 March 2019.*

*J. S. WILKINSON, President*

*Ordered,* That the said Message be taken into consideration forthwith. (The Minister for Health)

**27** BILL NO. 41 of 2018. - A Message from the Legislative Council. -

MADAM SPEAKER

The Legislative Council having this day agreed, with Amendments, to a Bill, intituled –

“A Bill for an Act to regulate the gas industry, to provide for safety and technical standards that ensure that the gas supply industry, gas facilities, gas installations, gas appliances, gas storage systems and gas conditioning systems are constructed, maintained and operated to a high standard of safety and in a manner that protects persons and property, and for related purposes”,

now returns the same to the House of Assembly, and requests its concurrence therein.

*Legislative Council, 21 March 2019.*

*J. S. WILKINSON, President*

*Ordered,* That the said Message be taken into consideration forthwith. (The Minister for Health)

**28** BILL NO. 41 of 2018. - The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Gas Safety Bill 2018.

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(In the Committee)

Amendment

Clause 106

Page 114, after subclause (3).

Insert the following subclause:

(A) An authorised officer or gas safety officer must be accompanied by a police officer when entering a place with the authority of a warrant.

Amendment agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

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The House being resumed, Mrs *Rylah* reported that the Committee had considered the Amendments to it referred, and had come to a certain Resolution which was read as follows:-

To agree to the Amendments of the Legislative Council.

*Resolved*, That the said Resolution be agreed to. (The Minister for Energy)

**29** BILL NO. 41. of 2018. - A Message to the Legislative Council. -

MR PRESIDENT

The House of Assembly doth agree to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill intituled-

“A Bill for an Act to regulate the gas industry, to provide for safety and technical standards that ensure that the gas supply industry, gas facilities, gas installations, gas appliances, gas storage systems and gas conditioning systems are constructed, maintained and operated to a high standard of safety and in a manner that protects persons and property, and for related purposes”.

*House of Assembly, 21 March 2019.*

SUE HICKEY, *Speaker*.

**30** BILL NO. 40 of 2018. - The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Gas Industry Bill 2018.

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(In the Committee)

Amendments

Clause 44

Page 67, subclause (2), after “may”.

Insert “, in writing,”.

Clause 73

Page 100, after subclause (3).

Insert the following subsection:

- (3A) An authorised officer, or a gas officer, must be accompanied by a police officer when entering a place with the authority of a warrant.

Amendments agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

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The House being resumed, Mrs *Rylah* reported that the Committee had considered the Amendments to it referred, and had come to a certain Resolution which was read as follows:-

To agree to the Amendments of the Legislative Council.

*Resolved*, That the said Resolution be agreed to. (The Minister for Energy)

**31** BILL NO. 40 of 2018. - A Message to the Legislative Council. -

MR PRESIDENT

The House of Assembly doth agree to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill intituled-

“A Bill for an Act to regulate gas activities, to repeal the Gas Act 2000 and the Gas Pipelines Act 2000, and for related purposes”.

*House of Assembly, 21 March 2019.*

SUE HICKEY, *Speaker*.

**32** PREMIER’S ADDRESS. - The Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the adjourned debate on the Question proposed on Tuesday, 19 March 2019 - That the Premier’s Address be noted.

And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the said adjourned debate.

And Dr *Broad* was addressing the Chair.

**33** ADJOURNMENT. - The time being Six o’clock, the Speaker proposed - That the House do now adjourn and called for issues to be raised;

**34** PAPERS. – Ms *Standen*, *by leave*, laid upon the Table of the House a paper relating to changes to metro bus services.

**35** PAPERS. – Ms *White*, *by leave*, laid upon the Table of the House a paper relating to lack of specialist medical and allied health facilities in the Break O’Day municipal area.

The House adjourned at thirty-three minutes past Six o’clock.

SHANE DONNELLY, *Clerk of the House*.

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MEMBERS. - All present during the day except Mr *Jaensch* and Ms *Houston*.