



# HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

SESSION OF 2019

(SECOND SESSION OF THE FORTY-NINTH PARLIAMENT)

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 4

TUESDAY, 9 APRIL 2019

- 1 The House met at five minutes past 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 QUESTIONS SEEKING INFORMATION. – In accordance with Standing Order No. 43, Questions without notice were asked.
- 5 STATEMENT BY SPEAKER. – The Speaker said “As Members are aware, the division bells system has malfunctioned. I can assure the House all resources have been directed to address this matter, but until this issue is rectified, there is effectively no means of communicating quorum calls or divisions or to call the House together following suspensions.

I thank Members for their co-operation this morning in enabling the House to commence its sitting, albeit a few minutes later than usual.

Until the bell system is restored, in the event a division is called, or a quorum call made, I suggest that having made the call that a division or that a quorum is required, I would leave the Chair.

Once the Clerk of the House has reported to me that all Members are present in the case of a division (excepting any Pair arrangements) or that a quorum is present, I would resume the Chair and proceed in the usual way, that is, by locking the doors in the case of a division, and resuming proceedings once a quorum is present.

The only other alternative, which is certainly not my preferred option, is that I suspend the sitting until the bell system is restored. With the co-operation of all Parties, I think this solution will enable the House to proceed with its work.

I invite any submissions from Members on this proposal, as the responsibility for calling for Members to the Chamber would effectively fall upon the parties within five minutes of the division/quorum call made.”

And several Members having addressed the Chair, the Speaker said “Given the unanimous agreement of Members, relevant Standing Orders will need to be suspended at the appropriate time.”

- 6 PAPERS. – The Treasurer laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Land Acquisition Act 1993: Dated 19 December 2018, land situate in Margate, Municipality of Kingborough, Lot 2, Certificate of Title Volume 143030, Folio 10, registered in the names of Exceed Investments Pty. Ltd., Superseed Investments Pty. Ltd. and C & D Spurr Pty. Ltd. for drainage purposes.

- 7 PAPERS. – The Attorney-General laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Fees Unit Act 1997: Department of Justice Schedule of Fees 2019-2020.

**8** MESSAGE FROM HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR. – The Speaker read the following Message from Her Excellency the Governor:-

MESSAGE.

C. A. WARNER, *Governor*.

In accordance with the provisions of section 38 of the Constitution Act 1934 (25 Geo. V No. 94), the Governor recommends to the House of Assembly the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of the sum of two hundred and seventeen million, nine hundred and fifteen thousand dollars (\$217 915 000) for the purpose set forth in the Consolidated Fund Appropriation (Supplementary Appropriation for 2018-19) Bill 2019.

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**9** MESSAGE FROM HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR. – The Speaker read the following Message from Her Excellency the Governor:-

MESSAGE.

C. A. WARNER, *Governor*.

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 (*Bill No. 40 of 2018 (Act No. 1 of 2019)*)

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 (*Bill No. 41 of 2018 (Act No. 2 of 2019)*)

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 (*Bill No. 42 of 2018 (Act No. 3 of 2019)*)

A Bill for an Act to amend the Energy Co-ordination and Planning Act 1995 (*Bill No. 57 of 2018 (Act No. 4 of 2019)*)

having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, she has, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen, assented to the said Bills.

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**10** BILL NO. 9. – The Treasurer presented -

“A Bill for an Act for the appropriation of money out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the financial year ending on 30 June 2019 for the purpose of making contributions to Division 1, Department of Communities Tasmania, Division 3, Finance-General, Division 4, Department of Health and Division 5, Department of Justice, of Part 2 of Schedule 1 to the Consolidated Fund Appropriation Act (No. 1) 2018”.

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

**11** BILL NO. 10. – The Minister for Disability Services and Community Development presented-

“A Bill for an Act to amend the Disability Services Act 2011”.

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

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

**13** SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS. - *Ordered*, That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent a motion concerning the division bells being debated forthwith. (The Minister for Health)

**14** SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS. - *Ordered*, That so much of Standing Orders be suspended concerning the ringing of the Division Bells in relation to divisions, quorum calls and the resumption of proceedings following a suspension and that until the bells system is restored the following temporary arrangements be made:-

- (a) having made the call that a division or that a quorum is required, the Speaker leave the Chair; and
- (b) once the Clerk of the House has reported to the Speaker that all Members are present in the case of a division (excepting any Pair arrangements) or that a quorum is present, the Speaker would resume the Chair and proceed in the usual way, that is, by locking the doors in the case of a division, and resuming proceedings once a quorum is present. (The Minister for Health)

**15** MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE: HOUSING. - Ms *Standen*, in accordance with Standing Orders, moved - That the House take note of the following matter:

Housing.

And the Question being proposed;

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

**16** BILL NO. 7. - The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of the Workers Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment (Presumption as to Cause of Disease) Bill 2019.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed - That the Bill be now read the Second time. (The Minister for Building and Construction)

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. 7. - And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the Debate.

**19** SUSPENSION OF SITTING. - At six minutes past Four o'clock, the Speaker announced that she would resume the Chair at the ringing of the Division Bells.

At thirty-five minutes past Five o'clock the Speaker resumed the Chair.

**20** BILL NO. 7. - And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the Debate.

And the Minister for Building and Construction was addressing the Chair.

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

**22** PAPERS. – Ms *O'Byrne*, *by leave*, laid upon the Table of the House two documents relating to workplace deaths.

The House adjourned at thirty-seven minutes past Six o'clock.

SHANE DONNELLY, *Clerk of the House*.

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MEMBERS. - All present during the day.