



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SESSION OF 2025 – 2026

(FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-SECOND PARLIAMENT)

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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FRIDAY, 19 JUNE 2026

- 1 **COUNCIL MEETS.**— The Council met at 9.30 o'clock a.m.
- 2 **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL PEOPLE.**— The President said:
“We meet today on Tasmanian Aboriginal land. We acknowledge and pay respect to the Tasmanian Aboriginal people and elders, past and present. We recognise them as the first inhabitants and the continuing custodians of this land.”
- 3 **PRAYERS AND REFLECTION.**— The President read Prayers.
- 4 **PAPERS.**— The Clerk of the Council laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
 - (1) Audit Tasmania: Report of the Auditor-General No. 11 of 2025-26. Management of gifts, benefits and hospitality in the General Government Sector. Dated 15 June 2026.
 - (2) Audit Tasmania: Report of the Auditor-General No. 12 of 2025-26. Follow up of *Report of the Auditor-General No. 6 of 2021-22: Accessing services for the safety and wellbeing of children and young people – the Strong Families, Safe Kids Advice and Referral Line*. Dated 15 June 2026.
 - (3) Royal Commission on Antisemitism and Social Cohesion: Interim Report. Dated April 2026.
 - (4) TasPorts 2024-25 Annual Report Erratum Notice.
 - (5) Closing the Gap: Annual Report 2024-25.
 - (6) University of Tasmania: Annual Report 2025.
 - (7) *Vehicle and Traffic Act 1999*: Statutory Rules 2026, No. 19, Vehicle and Traffic (Driver Licensing and Vehicle Registration) Amendment Regulations 2026.
- 5 **REPORTS OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SELECT COMMITTEE ESTIMATES B.**— Ms *Webb* presented the Reports of Estimates Committee B on the estimates of:
The Premier
The Attorney-General and Minister for Justice, Corrections and Rehabilitation
The Minister for Small Business, Trade and Consumer Affairs
The Minister for Primary Industries and Water
The Minister for Veterans’ Affairs
The Minister for Tourism, Hospitality and Events
The Minister for Women and the Prevention of Family Violence
The Minister for Racing
The Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management
The Minister for Skills and Jobs
The Minister for Business, Industry and Resources
The Minister for Education
The Minister for Children and Youth
The Minister for Disability Services

Ordered, That the Report be received. (Ms Webb)

Ordered, That the Report be printed. (Ms Webb)

6 REPORTS OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SELECT COMMITTEE ESTIMATES A.— Ms Thomas presented the Reports of Estimates Committee A on the estimates of:

Treasurer

Minister for Macquarie Point Urban Renewal

Acting Minister for Community and Multicultural Affairs

Minister for Arts and Heritage

Minister for Innovation, Science, and The Digital Economy

Minister for Environment

Minister for Energy and Renewables

Minister for Sport

Minister for Parks

Minister for Health, Mental Health and Wellbeing

Minister for Ageing

Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

Minister for Housing and Planning

Minister for Local Government

Ordered, That the Report be received. (Ms Thomas)

Ordered, That the Report be printed. (Ms Thomas)

7 ROYAL ASSENT TO BILLS.— The President read a Message from Her Excellency the Governor as follows:

MESSAGE

Barbara Baker, Governor

A Bill for An Act to provide for an alternative period for making application for renewal in respect of certain mining leases

Grange Resources (Tasmania) Pty Ltd (Alternative Application Period) Act 2026
(Bill No 3 of 2026; Act No. 3 of 2026)

A Bill for An Act to adopt specified provisions of the *Help to Buy Act 2024* of the Commonwealth for the purposes of section 51(xxxvii) of the Constitution of the Commonwealth, to refer the legislative power of the State in the form of an amendment reference to the Parliament of the Commonwealth to make amendments to the *Help to Buy Act 2024* of the Commonwealth for the purposes of section 51(xxxvii) of the Constitution of the Commonwealth and to consequentially amend other Acts

Help to Buy (Commonwealth Powers) Act 2026
(Bill No 9 of 2026; Act No. 4 of 2026)

having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, she has in the name of His Majesty the King, assented to the said Bills.

Government House, Hobart, 5 June 2026

8 ROYAL ASSENT TO BILL.— The President read a Message from Her Excellency the Governor as follows:—

MESSAGE

Barbara Baker, Governor

A Bill for An Act to amend the *Education and Care Services National Law (Application) Act 2011*
Education and Care Services National Law (Application) Amendment Act 2026

(Bill No. 7 of 2026; Act No. 5 of 2026)

having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, she has, in the name of His Majesty the King, assented to the said Bill.

Government House, Hobart, 5 June 2026

9 ROYAL ASSENT TO BILL.— The President read a Message from Her Excellency the Governor as follows:—

MESSAGE

Barbara Baker, Governor

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Payroll Tax Rebate (Apprentices, Trainees and Youth Employees) Act 2017*

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Building Act 2016*
(Bill No. 1 of 2026; Act No. 6 of 2026)

having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, she has, in the name of His Majesty the King, assented to the said Bill.

Government House, Hobart, 5 June 2026

10 APPOINTMENT TO JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTEGRITY.— A Message from the House of Assembly:—

MR PRESIDENT,

In accordance with section 23 subsection (4) of the *Integrity Commission Act 2009* (No. 67), the following Member have been appointed on the part of the House to serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Integrity:

Mr *Ferguson*.

House of Assembly, 18 June 2026

JACQUIE PETRUSMA, *Speaker*

11 BILL NO. 18.— A Message from the House of Assembly:—

MR PRESIDENT,

The House of Assembly hath passed a Bill, intituled — ‘A Bill for an Act for the appropriation of \$9 104 688 000 out of the Public Account for the services of the Government for the financial year ending on 30 June 2027’,

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

House of Assembly, 18 June 2026

JACQUIE PETRUSMA, *Speaker*

The Bill was read the First time.

Ordered, That the Second reading of the Bill be made an Order of the Day for tomorrow.
(Ms *Rattray*)

12 BILL NO. 19.— A Message from the House of Assembly:—

MR PRESIDENT,

The House of Assembly hath passed a Bill, intituled — ‘A Bill for an Act for the appropriation of \$62 913 000 out of the Public Account for the services of the Government in respect of Parliament and Statutory Offices for the financial year ending on 30 June 2027’,

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

House of Assembly, 18 June 2026

JACQUIE PETRUSMA, *Speaker*

The Bill was read the First time.

Ordered, That the Second reading of the Bill be made an Order of the Day for tomorrow.
(Ms Rattray)

13 BILL NO. 20.— A Message from the House of Assembly:—

MR PRESIDENT,

The House of Assembly hath passed a Bill, intituled — ‘A Bill for an Act to amend the *First Home Owner Grant Act 2000*’,

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

House of Assembly, 18 June 2026

JACQUIE PETRUSMA, *Speaker*

The Bill was read the First time.

Ordered, That the Second reading of the Bill be made an Order of the Day for tomorrow.
(Ms Rattray)

14 ADJOURNMENT.— *Resolved*, That the Council will, at its rising adjourn until 11.00 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, 23 June 2026. (Ms Rattray)

Resolved, That the Council do now adjourn. (Ms Rattray)

The Council adjourned at 9.40 o'clock a.m.

C.L. VICKERS, *Clerk of the Council*.