

## **HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

**SESSION OF 2018** 

(FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-NINTH PARLIAMENT)

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 29

#### WEDNESDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2018

- 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 DISTINGUISHED VISITORS. The Speaker said "I welcome to the Chamber staff from the Parliament of Samoa, who the Parliament is hosting this week through the United Nations Development Programme as part of Parliament's twinning relationship with the Parliament of Samoa"
- **5** QUESTIONS SEEKING INFORMATION. In accordance with Standing Order No. 43, Questions without notice were asked.
- 6 SUSPENSION OF SITTING At five minutes past Eleven o'clock the Speaker left the Chair and stated that she would resume the Chair on the ringing of the bells.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at fifty-two minutes past Twelve o'clock.

- 7 PAPERS. The Premier laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-
  - (1) Inland Fisheries Service: Annual Report 2017-2018.
  - (2) Tasmanian Irrigation: Annual Report 2017-2018.
- 8 PAPERS. The Deputy Premier laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

Teachers Registration Board Tasmania: Annual Report 2017-2018.

- 9 PAPERS. The Minister for Health laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-
  - (1) Department of Police, Fire and Emergency Management: Annual Report 2017-2018.
  - (2) State Fire Commission: Annual Report 2017-2018.
- 10 PAPERS. The Attorney-General laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Legal Profession Board of Tasmania - Annual Report 2017-2018.

- 11 PAPERS. The Minister for Resources laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-
  - (1) Aurora Energy: Annual Report 2017-2018.
  - (2) Hydro Tasmania: Annual Report 2017-2018.

- (3) Nominal Insurer: Annual Report 2017-2018.
- 12 PAPERS. The Minister for Disability Services and Community Development laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Tasmanian Community Fund: Annual Report 2017-2018.

BILL NO. 46. – The Premier presented -

"A Bill for an Act to establish Brand Tasmania and for related purposes"

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

BILL NO. 52. – The Minister for Justice presented -

"A Bill for an Act to amend the Supreme Court Civil Procedure Act 1932"

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

15 BILL NO. 51. – The Minister for Building and Construction presented -

"A Bill for an Act to amend the Security and Investigations Agents Act 2002"

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

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

Integrity.

And the Question being proposed;

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

BILL NO. 39. - The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on Tuesday, 15 October 2018 by the Minister for Justice - That the Family Violence Reforms Bill 2018 be now read the Second time;

And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

- 18 SUSPENSION OF SITTING. At One o'clock the Speaker left the Chair. At half-past Two o'clock the Speaker resumed the Chair.
- 19 PRIVATE MEMBERS BUSINESS. In accordance with Standing Order 42, Mr *Hidding* indicated that the time for Government Private Members Private Members' Business for this day would be waived.
- BILL NO. 39. The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on Tuesday, 15 October 2018 by the Minister for Justice That the Family Violence Reforms Bill 2018 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.

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

New Clause A brought up by Ms *Haddad* and read the first time as follows:

"(A) Section 125A is amended as follows:

- (1) Section 125A is renamed: Persistent sexual abuse of a child
- (2) Section 125A (2) is amended: omit the words 'maintains a sexual relationship with a young person' and replace with the words 'persistently sexually abuses a child'
- (3) The Charge is renamed: Persistent sexual abuse of a child under the age of 17 years.
- (4) Section 125 (6)(a) is amended: omit the words 'sexual relationship between the accused and the young person was maintained' and replace with the words 'sexual abuse of the young person by the accused occurred' "

Question put – that the new Clause A be read the Second time and made part of the Bill to follow clause 3;

It passed in the Negative.

Clauses 4 to 12 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without Amendment.

The House being resumed, Mr *Shelton* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him 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. 39. - 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 Criminal Code Act 1924, Evidence (Children and Special Witnesses) Act 2001 and the Family Violence Act 2004 (Bill No. 39)

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

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SUE HICKEY, Speaker.

BILL NO. 43. - The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of the Mental Health Amendment Bill 2018.

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

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Minister for Justice was addressing the Chair.

- **23** HEALTH SYSTEM. A Motion being made and the Question being proposed—That the House:—
  - (1) Agrees with the Premier Hon. *Will Hodgman* MP's frank admission that the health system is "not good enough."
  - (2) Congratulates the Member for Clark, Hon. *Sue Hickey* MP, for her call for an apolitical, long-term approach to fixing the health system.
  - (3) Calls on the Premier to include representatives from all sides of politics in statewide roundtable discussions with health professionals, unions and stakeholder groups between now and the end of 2018.
  - (4) Further agrees that the best way to tackle the crisis in the health system is by working together. (Ms *White*)

A debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

BILL NO. 44. - The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of the Police Offences Amendment (Begging) Bill 2018.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed - That the Bill be now read the Second time. (Ms O'Connor)

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

AYES 11		NOES 11
Ms Butler		Ms Archer
Ms Dow		Mr Barnett
Ms Haddad		Ms Courtney
Ms Houston		Mr Ferguson
Mr O'Byrne		Ms Hickey
Ms O'Byrne		Mr Hidding
Ms O'Connor		Mr Hodgman
Ms Standen		Mr Jaensch
Ms White		Mrs Petrusma
Dr Woodruff		Mr Rockliff
Mr Bacon (Teller)		Mr Shelton (Teller)
	PAIRS	
Dr Broad		Mr Gutwein

SPEAKER GIVES CASTING VOTE. – The Deputy Speaker, Mr *Brooks*, said: "The numbers being equal, I vote with the Noes."

It passed in the Negative.

- 25 ADJOURNMENT. The time being Six o'clock, the Speaker proposed That the House do now adjourn and called for issues to be raised;
- 26 PAPERS. Ms *White*, *by leave*, laid upon the Table of the House a document relating to the speed limit on the Midlands Highway at Bagdad.

The House adjourned at forty minutes past Six o'clock.

SHANE DONNELLY, Clerk of the House.

MEMBERS. - All present during the day except Dr Broad.