

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

SESSION OF 2024 - 2025

(FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT)

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 49

TUESDAY, 27 MAY 2025

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 QUESTIONS SEEKING INFORMATION. – In accordance with Standing Order No. 43, Questions without notice commenced.

5 SUSPENSION OF SITTING. - At Eleven o'clock the Speaker left the Chair. At twenty-six minutes past Eleven o'clock the Speaker resumed the Chair.

6 QUESTIONS SEEKING INFORMATION. – In accordance with Standing Order No. 43, Questions without notice continued and concluded.

7 CONSTITUENCY QUESTIONS. – In accordance with Sessional Order No. 48C, Constituency Questions were asked.

8 PAPERS. – The Minister for Transport laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

- (1) Response to Petition No. 7 of 2025.
- (2) Living Marine Management Act 1995:
 - (a) Fisheries (Scallop) Amendment Rules 2025 (Statutory Rules 2025, No. 10)
 - (b) Fisheries (Biosecurity) Order 2025.
 - (c) Fisheries (Biosecurity) Order (No. 2) 2025.
- (3) Network Outage Review Final Report April 2025.
- (4) National Education and Care Services: Annual Report Ombudsman and National Education and Care Services Freedom of Information and Privacy Commissioners.
- (5) (Australian Children's and Education Care and Quality Authority: Annual Report 2023-2024.
- (6) Education and Care Services National Amendment (Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2024.

9 PAPERS. – The Minister for the Primary Industries and Water laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

(1) Response to Petition No. 6 of 2025.

(2) Response to Petition No. 1 of 2025.

10 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE: REPORT BROUGHT UP. – Mr *Willie* brought up the following Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts:-

Tasmania Government's Proposed Hobart Arts Entertainment and Sports Precinct Planning Process (Paper No. 15)

Ordered, That the said Report be received. (Mr Willie)

- 11 PAPERS. The Clerk of the House laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-
 - (1) Tasmanian Audit Office:
 - (*a*) Report of the Auditor-General No. 9 of 2024-25 Department of Health's funding of community service organisations;
 - (b) Report of the Auditor-General No. 10 of 2024-25 Effectiveness of shared services arrangements in the General Government Sector.

12 MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR. – The Speaker read the following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor:-

MESSAGE.

C. SHANAHAN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill for an Act to amend the Electoral Act 2004 (Bill No. 4 (Act No. 9 of 2025))

A Bill for an Act to amend certain Acts and other legislation and provide for matters of a transitional nature consequent on the enactment of the Disability Rights, Inclusion and Safeguarding Act 2024 (Bill No. 8 (*Act No. 6 of 2025*))

A Bill for an Act to amend multiple Acts to enable the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to review and determine certain matters in accordance with the Tasmanian Civil and Administration Tribunal Act 2020 (Bill No. 46 of 2024 (*Act No. 7 of 2025*))

A Bill for an Act to amend the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Tasmania) Act 1994, the Competition Policy Reform (Tasmania) Act 1996, the Corporations (Tasmania) Act 1990, the Federal Courts (State Jurisdiction) Act 1999, the Gene Technology (Tasmania) Act 2012, the Human Embryonic Research Regulation Act 2003, the Legal Profession (Board of Legal Education) Rules 2021, the Marine Safety (Domestic Commercial Vessel National Law Application) Act 2013, the New Tax System Price Exploitation Code (Tasmania) Act 1999, the Terrorism (Preventative Detention) Act 2005, the Therapeutic Goods Act 2001, and the Water Efficiency Labelling and Standards Act 2013 (Bill No. 36 of 2024 (*Act No. 8 of 2025*))

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

Government House, Hobart, 16 May 2025.

13 ESTIMATES COMMITTEES: ATTENDANCE OF MINISTERS. - A Message from the Legislative Council -

HONOURABLE SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having passed the following Resolution now transmits the same to the House of Assembly, and requests its concurrence therein:-

Resolved, that the Legislative Council having appointed two Estimates Committees reflecting the distribution of Government Ministers' portfolio responsibilities, requests that the House of Assembly give leave to all Ministers to appear before and give evidence to the relevant Council Estimates Committee in relation to the Budget Estimates and related documents.

Legislative Council, 27 May 2025.

C.M. FARRELL, President.

Ordered, That the abovementioned message be taken into consideration forthwith (The Minister for Transport).

Resolved, That the Resolution of the Legislative Council be agreed to. (The Minister for Transport)

14 ESTIMATES COMMITTEES: ATTENDANCE OF MINISTERS. - A Message to the Legislative Council. -

MR PRESIDENT

The House of Assembly doth agree to the following Resolution communicated to it by the Legislative Council on 27 May 2025:-

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House of Assembly, 27 May 2025.

MICHELLE O'BYRNE, Speaker.

15 BILL NO. 28. – The Minister for Justice presented -

"A Bill for an Act to amend the Commissions of Inquiry Act 1995" (Bill No. 28)

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

16 BILL NO. 29. – Mr Willie presented -

"A Bill for an Act to amend the Constitution Act 1934 and the Financial Management Act 2016 and to consequentially amend the Audit Act 2008" (Bill No. 29)

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

17 MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE: DEBT AND DEFICIT. – Mr *Willie* in accordance with Standing Orders, moved - That the House take note of the following matter:

Debt and Deficit.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

18 BILL NO. 19.- The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of the Youth Justice Facility Development Bill 2025.

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

A Debate arose thereupon.

And Ms Rosol was Addressing the Chair.

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

20 BILL NO. 19. — And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the Debate.

21 LEAVE TO EXTEND A MEMBER'S SPEAKING TIME. – Ordered, That the Minister for Children and Youth have an extension of speaking time of 15 minutes. (Mr *Wood*)

22 BILL NO. 19. - And the Question being put; That the Bill be read a Second time;

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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)

Mrs *Beswick* took the Chair.

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3 read.

Amendment proposed (Minister for Children and Youth).

Page 4, definition of *relevant site*, after "under the *Land Titles Act*". *Leave out "1980". Insert instead "1980*, as specified in the Register under that Act on the day this Act commences".

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put - That the Amendment be agreed to

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause 3, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 4 read.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put – That the Clause, as read, be agreed to;

AYES 23

Mr Abetz Mr Barnett Ms Brown Ms Butler Mrs Dow Mr Ellis Mr Fairs Mr Farrell Mr Ferguson Ms Finlay Ms Haddad Mr Jaensch Mr Jenner Mr O'Bvrne Ms O'Byrne Mrs Ogilvie Mrs Pentland Mrs Petrusma Mr Rockliff Mr Shelton Mr Winter Mr Behrakis (Teller)

NOES 7

Ms Badger Mr Bayley Ms Burnet Ms Johnston Ms Rosol Dr Woodruff Mr Garland (Teller)

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Clause 5 agreed to.

Clause 6 read.

Amendment proposed (Minister for Children and Youth)

Page 7, subclause (1), paragraph (b), subparagraph (i), after "in excess of". *Leave out* "6 875 square metres,". *Insert instead* "8 875 square metres, inclusive of the enclosed spaces for roof plant,".

And the Question being put – That the Amendment be agreed to;

And it was resolved in the Affirmative

Clause 6 further considered.

Amendment proposed (Minister for Children and Youth)

Page 7, same subclause, same paragraph, subparagraph (iii), after "20 metres". *Insert* "or such lesser distance as is agreed with the owner of the land which adjoins the site on the boundary to which the lesser set back relates"

And the Question being put – That the Amendment be agreed to;

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause 6 further considered.

And the Question being put – That Clause 6, as amended, be agreed to;

AYES 23

Mr Abetz Mr Barnett Mr Behrakis Ms Brown Ms Butler Ms Dow Mr Ellis Mr Fairs Mr Farrell Ms Finlay Ms Haddad Mr Jaensch Mr Jenner Mr O'Byrne Ms O'Byrne Ms Ogilvie Mrs Pentland Mrs Petrusma Mr Rockliff Mr Shelton Mr Winter Mr Wood Mr Ferguson (Teller)

NOES 7

Ms Badger Mr Bayley Ms Burnet Mr Garland Ms Rosol Dr Woodruff Ms Johnston (Teller)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clauses 7 to 9 agreed to.

Clause 10 read.

Amendment proposed (Minister for Children and Youth)

Page 12, subclause (1), paragraph (b), after "or restrictions". *Insert* "if the application is an application that is able to be approved under that Act".

A Debate arose thereupon.

Mr Behrakis took the Chair.

And the Question being put – That the Amendment be agreed to;

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause 10 further considered.

And the Question being put – That Clause 10, as amended, be agreed to;

AYES 23

Mr Abetz Mr Barnett Ms Beswick Ms Butler Ms Dow Mr Ellis Mr Farrell Mr Ferguson Ms Finlay Ms Haddad Mr Jaensch Mr Jenner Mr O'Bvrne Ms O'Byrne Ms Ogilvie Mrs Pentland Mrs Petrusma Mr Rockliff Mr Shelton Mr Winter Mr Willie Mr Wood Mr Fairs (Teller)

NOES 7

Ms Badger Mr Bayley Ms Burnet Mr Garland Ms Rosol Dr Woodruff Ms Johnston (Teller)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause 11 read.

And the Question being put – That Clause 11, as read, be agreed to.

The Committee divided.

AYES 23

Mr Abetz Mr Barnett Ms Beswick Ms Butler Ms Dow Mr Ellis Mr Fairs Mr Ferguson Ms Finlay Ms Haddad Mr Jaensch Mr Jenner Mr O'Byrne Ms O'Byrne Ms Ogilvie Mrs Pentland Mrs Petrusma Mr Rockliff Mr Shelton Mr Winter Mr Willie Mr Wood Mr Farrell (Teller)

NOES 7

Ms Badger Mr Bayley Ms Burnet Mr Garland Ms Johnston Dr Woodruff Ms Rosol (Teller)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause 12 read.

And the Question being put – That Clause 12, as read, be agreed to.

AYES 23

Mr Abetz Mr Barnett Ms Beswick Ms Butler Ms Dow Mr Ellis Mr Fairs Mr Farrell Mr Ferguson Ms Finlay Ms Haddad Mr Jaensch Mr Jenner Mr O'Byrne Ms O'Byrne Ms Ogilvie Mrs Pentland Mrs Petrusma Mr Rockliff Mr Shelton Mr Winter Mr Wood Mr Willie (Teller)

NOES 7

Ms Badger Mr Bayley Mr Garland Ms Johnston Ms Rosol Dr Woodruff Ms Burnet (Teller)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clauses 13 to 16 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with Amendments.

The House being resumed, Mr *Behrakis* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as prevents the Bill being now read the Third time. (The Minister for Children and Youth)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in Committee, be now taken into consideration. And the Amendments were, accordingly, read and agreed to

A Motion being made and the Question being proposed - That the Bill be now read the Third time.

The House divided.

AYES 22

Mr Abetz Mr Barnett Ms Beswick Ms Butler Ms Dow Mr Ellis Mr Fairs Mr Farrell Mr Ferguson Ms Haddad Mr Jaensch Mr Jenner Mr O'Bvrne Ms O'Bvrne Ms Ogilvie Mrs Petrusma Mr Rockliff Mr Shelton Mr Willie Mr Winter Mr Wood Mr Behrakis (Teller)

NOES 8

Ms Badger Mr Bayley Ms Burnet Mr Garland Mrs Pentland Ms Rosol Dr Woodruff Ms Johnston (Teller)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

23 BILL NO. 19. - A Message to the Legislative Council. -

MR PRESIDENT

The House of Assembly hath passed a Bill, intituled "A Bill for an Act to facilitate the accelerated construction of a facility in the south of the State to be used for the purposes of youth justice",

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

House of Assembly, 27 May 2025.

MICHELLE O'BYRNE, Speaker.

24 BILL NO. 56 of 2024. - The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on Thursday, 8 May 2025 - That the Community Protection (Offender Reporting) Amendment Bill 2024 be now read the Second time;

And the Question being again proposed; The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

25 SITTING TIMES. - *Ordered*, Pursuant to Standing Order 18A that the House not stand adjourned at thirty minutes past Seven and that the House continue to sit past thirty minutes past Seven o'clock. (The Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management)

26 BILL NO. 56 of 2024. – And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the Debate.

Ordered, That in accordance with Standing Order 129(2) the Debate be adjourned till tomorrow. (The Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management).

27 ADJOURNMENT. – A Motion being made - That the House do now adjourn (The Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management)

The Speaker proposed – That the House do now adjourn and called for issues to be raised;

And the Question being put – That the House do now adjourn.

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House adjourned at thity-one minutes past Eight o'clock.

LAURA ROSS, Clerk of the House.

MEMBERS. - All present during the day except Dr Broad and Mr Street.

The Minister for Energy and Renewables, Minister for Sport and Events and Minister for Parks; the Minister for Education, Minister for Disability Services and Minister for Women and the Prevention of Family Violence; and the Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Local Government attended Question Time.