APPROPRIATION BILLS (No. 1 and No. 2) 2023

ALLOTMENT OF TIME FOR DEBATE AND ESTABLISHMENT OF ESTIMATES COMMITTEES

- (1) Mr Speaker, I move for leave to make Motions without Notice.
- (2) Mr Speaker, I move That the Second Reading of the Appropriation Bill (No.1) 2023 be moved at 3.00 pm on Thursday, 25 May 2023.
- (3) Mr Speaker, I move That Government Business take precedence from such time as the Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2023 and the Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2023 are introduced, until the House has dealt with all business associated with the Budget.
- (4) Mr Speaker, I move That:
 - (a) all stages of the Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2023 and the Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2023 shall have allotted a maximum total of 97 hours as follows:
 - (i) up to the Second Reading: Maximum 16 hours;
 - (ii) in the Estimates Committees: Maximum 63 hours; and
 - (iii) in Committee of the whole House and Third reading: Maximum 18 hours;
 - (b) on the Second reading, the Premier, the Treasurer and the Leader of the Opposition have unlimited speaking time and other Members speak for not longer than 30 minutes each;
 - (c) when the Appropriation Bills (No. 1 and No. 2) 2023 have been read the Second time in the House of Assembly, the Bills be referred to Estimates Committees A and B of the House of Assembly.

Such Committees may not vote on, but may examine and report upon the proposed expenditures contained in the Bills by no later than 20 June 2023, with such expenditures being considered on an output by output basis, including Grants, Subsidies and Loans and the Capital Investment Program.

The following Ministerial portfolio units are allocated to House of Assembly Estimates Committee A:—

Date		Minister
Monday, 5 June		
0900 - 1200	Premier (3 hours)	Hon. Jeremy Rockliff MP
1200 - 1230	Minister for Tourism (½ hour)	-
1230 - 1300	Minister for Trade (1/2 hour)	
1400 - 1900	Minister for Health (5 hours)	
1900 - 2000	Minister for Mental Health and	
	Wellbeing (1 hour)	
Tuesday, 6 June		
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0900 - 1200	Minister for Infrastructure and	Hon. Michael Ferguson MP
	Transport (3 hours)	
1200 - 1300	Treasurer (1 hour)	
1400 - 1630	Treasurer <i>cont.</i> (2.5 hours)	
1630 - 1800	Minister for Planning (1.5 hours)	

Wednesday, 7 June		
0900 - 1000	Minister for Community Services	Hon. Nic Street MP
1000 - 1130	and Development (1 hour) Minister for Local Government	
	(1½ hours)	
1130 - 1200	Minister for Hospitality and Events (½ hour)	
1200 - 1330	Minister for Sport and Recreation	
	(1½ hours)	
1430 - 1730	Minister for Primary Industries and	
	Water (3 hours)	Hon. Jo Palmer MLC
1730 - 1830	Minister for the Prevention of Family Violence (1 hour)	
1830 - 1930	Minister for Women (1 hour)	
1930 - 2030	Minister for Disability Services	
	(1 hour)	
Thursday, 8 June		
0900 - 1200	Minister for Police, Fire and	Hon. Felix Ellis MP
	Emergency Management (3 hours)	
1200 - 1300	Minister for Skills, Training and	
	Workforce Growth (1 hour)	
1400 - 1600	Minister for Resources (2 hours)	

House of Assembly Estimates Committee B:—

Date		Minister
Monday, 5 June		
0900 - 1100	Attorney-General and Minister for Justice (2 hours)	Hon. Elise Archer MP
1100 - 1330	Minister for Corrections and Rehabilitation (2½ hours)	
1430 - 1530	Minister for Workplace Safety and Consumer Affairs (1 hour)	
1530 - 1600	Minister for the Arts (½ hour)	
Tuesday, 6 June		
0900 - 1200	Minister for Energy and Renewables (3 hours)	Hon. Guy Barnett MP
1200 - 1300	Minister for State Development, Construction and Housing (1 hour)	
1400 – 1600	Minister for State Development, Construction and Housing <i>cont</i> . (2 hours)	
1600 - 1630	Minister for Veterans Affairs (½ hour)	
Wednesday, 7 June		
0900 - 1200	Minister for Education, Children and Youth (3 hours)	Hon. Roger Jaensch MP
1200 - 1300	Minister for Environment and Climate Change (1 hour)	
1400 - 1500	Minister for Environment and Climate Change <i>cont.</i> (1 hour)	
1500 - 1600	Minister for Aboriginal Affairs (1 hour)	
1600 - 1800	Minister for Parks (2 hours)	

Thursday, 8 Ju	ne	
0900 - 1200	Minister for Racing (3 hours)	Hon. Madeleine Ogilvie MP
1200 - 1300	Minister for Heritage (1 hour)	
1400 - 1700	Minister for Science and Technology	
	(3 hours)	
1700 - 1730	Minister for Advanced	
	Manufacturing and Defence	
	Industries (½ hour)	
1730 - 1800	Minister for Small Business (1/2 hour)	

MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES - HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ESTIMATES

(1) Estimates Committee A consists of the following Members:

The Chair of Committees (Chair);

Mr Young (Deputy-Chair);

One member nominated by the Leader of the Opposition; and

Ms O'Connor.

(2) Estimates Committee B consists of the following Members:

Mrs Alexander (Chair);

Mr Wood (Deputy-Chair);

One member nominated by the Leader of the Opposition; and

Dr Woodruff.

- (3) Members of the House who have not been appointed as Members of the Committee, may participate in proceedings by asking questions, but not more than two in succession; and may not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purposes of a quorum.
- (4) The Chair of a Committee has a deliberative and a casting vote.
- (5) During sittings, substitute Members may be allowed.
- (6) If a vacancy occurs in the membership of a Committee, the Speaker may nominate a Member in substitution, but in so doing has regard to the composition of the Committee as appointed by the House.
- (7) A Committee may proceed with business despite a vacancy in its membership.
- (8) The quorum of a Committee is a majority of the Committee.
- (9) If at any time a quorum is not present, the Chair will suspend proceedings of the Committee until a quorum is present or adjourn the Committee.
- (10) Any time lost for lack of a quorum shall be added to the time allocated to that session.

SITTING TIMES

- (1) Each Estimates Committee meets only in accordance with the abovementioned timetable adopted by the House or as varied by the Chair.
- (2) Estimates Committees may sit only when the House is not sitting.

OPEN HEARINGS

All hearings of the Estimates Committees are open to the public.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

- (1) Consideration of proposed expenditures in an Estimates Committee follows as far as possible the procedure observed in a Committee of the whole House.
- (2) A Committee will consider expenditures on an output by output basis, including Grants, Subsidies and Loans and the Capital Investment Program.
- (3) A Committee may ask for explanations from a Minister relating to the outputs.
- (4) The Minister who is asked for explanations may be assisted where necessary by officers in the provision of factual information.
- (5) Officers may answer questions at the request of the Minister but shall not be required to comment on policy matters.
- (6) Time limits of one minute for a question and three minutes for an answer shall apply in Estimates Committees.
- (7) Questions may be asked on a ratio of three Opposition, one Green and one Government, or in such form as the Committee determines.
- (8) A Minister may advise an Estimates Committee that an answer to a question, or part of a question, asked of the Minister will be given later to the Committee, where possible that Committee sitting day.
- (9) A Minister may provide additional information to a Committee about an answer given by or for the Minister.
- (10) Additional information -
 - (a) is to be written;
 - (b) is to be provided to the Committee by no later than 5.00 pm Monday, 19 June 2023; and
 - (c) may be included in a volume of additional information laid on the Table of the House by the Committee.
- (11) If any Member persistently disrupts the business of an Estimates Committee, the Chair-
 - (a) names the Member;
 - (b) if the Member named is a Member of the Estimates Committee, suspends the sitting of the Estimates Committee until the Chair has reported the offence to the Speaker; and
 - (c) if the Member named is not a Member of the Estimates Committee, orders that Member's withdrawal from the sitting of the Committee until the Chair has reported the offence to the Speaker;

as soon as practicable, the Chair advises the Speaker who then gives notice that the Member of the Estimates Committee be replaced.

- (12) If any objection is taken to a ruling or decision of the Chair -
 - (a) the objection must be taken at once and stated in writing;
 - (b) the Chair, as soon as practicable, advises the Speaker who makes a ruling on the matter; and
 - (c) the Estimates Committee may continue to meet but may not further examine the output then under consideration.

(13) Television coverage will be allowed, subject to the same conditions that apply to televising of the House of Assembly.

HANSARD REPORT

An unedited transcript of Estimates Committee proceedings is to be circulated, in a manner similar to that used for the House Hansard, as soon as practicable after the Committee's proceedings.

REPORTS OF ESTIMATES COMMITTEES

- (1) A report of an Estimates Committee is presented by the Chair or Deputy Chair of that Committee to a Committee of the whole House, such reports containing any resolution or expression of opinion of that Committee.
- (2) When the reports of the Estimates Committees are presented they may be taken into consideration at once or at a future time.
- (3) The following time limit applies to consideration of reports of Estimates Committees on each portfolio unit on the question "That the proposed expenditures be agreed to and that the resolutions or expressions of opinion agreed to by the Committees in relation to those expenditures be noted."

One Minister, the Leader of the Opposition or Member deputised by the Leader - 20 minutes, any other Member - 10 minutes. A maximum period for consideration of 2 hours for each Minister.

- (4) When the consideration of reports of Estimates Committees A and B has been completed, the question is proposed and put forthwith without debate "That the remainder of the Bills be agreed to."
- (5) When the Bills have been agreed to by the House, the Third reading of each Bill may be taken into consideration at once or made an order of the day for the next sitting day.