



TASMANIA

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

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(FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT)

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

No. 7

WEDNESDAY, 12 JUNE 2024

(At 10:00 o'clock a.m.)

Notices of Motion tabled prior to 23 May are published in the Motion Paper.

Notices of Motion

- 11** Mr *Shelton* to move—That the House:—
- (1) Notes that the Federal Labor Budget did not allocate funding to the Greater South East Irrigation Scheme, which is the first time a Tasmanian irrigation project has not received its funding request.
 - (2) Recognises that the Greater South East Irrigation Scheme has the capacity to deliver over 37,000 megalitres of highly reliable irrigation water in what's traditionally been one of the driest areas of the State, stimulating approximately \$120 million of on-farm investment.
 - (3) Understands that the Scheme will meet new demand, integrate the three existing irrigation schemes in the area, improve drought resilience and reduce irrigators' reliance on the TasWater treated drinking water supply.
 - (4) Acknowledges:—
 - (a) that, without the Scheme, many farmers in the region now face an imminent rise in the cost of their water because of reliance on TasWater, and ongoing uncertainty of supply; and
 - (b) that the Tasmanian Government remains willing to provide \$75 million towards the \$301 million Greater South East Irrigation Scheme.
 - (5) Urges Tasmanian Labor to stand up in support of the Scheme.
 - (6) Stands together to advocate for the Greater South East Irrigation Scheme. (23 May 2024)
- 12** Ms *Haddad* to move—That the House:—
- (1) Notes:—
 - (a) that in May 2022 the Tasmania Law Reform Institute (TLRI) released its final report and recommendations on law reforms to address the risks and harms caused by sexual orientation and gender identity conversion practices;
 - (b) that the TLRI recognised that conversion practices occur in Tasmania;
 - (c) that the Premier Hon. Jeremy Rockliff MP made a commitment to table a Bill to ban conversion practices by the end of 2023 and has failed to do so; and
 - (d) that other Australian states and territories are moving to ban conversion practices.
 - (2) Acknowledges:—
 - (a) that conversion practices are deeply harmful and inflict lifelong trauma and harm to the people subjected to them;
 - (b) that conversion practices are discredited and disproved and are based in pseudo science; and

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- (c) that LGBTIQ+ attributes are not faults or disfunctions, that LGBTIQ+ people are not ‘broken’ or requiring ‘therapy’ or ‘counselling’ to change who they are attracted to or how they express their gender.
- (3) Further acknowledges that without a legislated ban, Tasmania will be an outlier and could become a ‘safe haven’ for these practices, putting LGBTIQ+ people at increased risk in Tasmania.
- (4) Further notes that the Government’s draft Bill released for community consultation in 2023 is deficient and could operate with the counter-intuitive effect of in fact leading to a higher prevalence of conversion practices being conducted in Tasmania.
- (5) Calls on the Premier, Hon. Jeremy Rockliff MP to draft new legislation that will successfully ban these harmful practices and remove the harm they inflict on Tasmanians. (23 May 2024)

13 Ms Haddad to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes:—
 - (a) a worrying increase in offending behaviour apparently motivated by racial hatred;
 - (b) that racism is not acceptable in any form and that it is important that our legal frameworks provide both protections from hate related offending, as well as mechanisms to take action when offending is motivated by hatred; and
 - (c) that crimes can be motivated by many forms of hatred including racism as well as homophobia, transphobia, disability discrimination and other forms of hatred.
- (2) Recognises:—
 - (a) that section 11B of the Sentencing Act 1997 allows for racial motivation to be taken into account as an aggravating factor in sentencing offenders;
 - (b) that other than racially motivated offending, the Sentencing Act is deficient as the court cannot take into account other forms of hatred as aggravating factors in sentencing;
 - (c) that Tasmania’s laws must be modernised to allow for hateful motivation for offending to be recognised much earlier in the criminal justice process, not just on sentencing; and
 - (d) that other Australian jurisdictions have ‘hate crime’ legislation.
- (3) Agrees:—
 - (a) that Tasmania needs new laws that allow charges to reflect a known hateful motivation – commonly known as ‘hate crime’ legislation;
 - (b) that amendments are required to the Police Offences Act 1935, Criminal Code 1924 and Sentencing Act 1997 to create new offences that recognise hateful motivation for offending; and
 - (c) that Tasmania Police also require tools to record and charge when offending or alleged offending are apparently motivated by hatred. (11 June 2024)

14 Ms Haddad to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes:—
 - (a) the systemic issues facing the Tasmanian health system surrounding bed block, access to hospitals and flow within Tasmanian public hospitals and Emergency Departments; and
 - (b) the release on 7 May 2024 of ‘the Independent Review of Tasmania’s Major Hospital Emergency Departments’.
- (2) Appreciates the incredible work performed by workers across the entire health system in Tasmania.
- (3) Recognises the impact felt by the Tasmanian public when it comes to access to timely preventative as well as acute health care.
- (4) Establishes a Select Committee, with power to send for persons, papers and records, to inquire into and report upon health, with the following terms of reference and rules:—
 - (a) that the Committee inquire into and report upon the following:—
 - (i) Identifying the root causes of bed block and access and flow issues within our health system;

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- (ii) reviewing the current bed numbers and associated staffing levels, in relation to community need, taking into account our aging demographic and anticipated need in the coming decade and beyond;
 - (iii) investigating the impact of bed block and access and flow issues on patient outcomes, healthcare delivery and workforce morale;
 - (iv) numbers and circumstances of adverse events across Tasmania's public hospital settings;
 - (v) developing evidence-based recommendations and strategies to address the root causes of bed block and hospital access to optimise patient flow in Tasmania's health system; and
 - (vi) any other matters incidental thereto.
- (b) that the Committee consist of seven members: two nominated by the Premier, two nominated by the Leader of the Opposition, one of whom shall be the Chair, one nominated by the Leader of the Tasmanian Greens, one nominated by the Jacqui Lambie Network, Tasmania and one Independent Member; and
- (c) that the Committee report by 28 November, 2024. (11 June 2024)

15 Ms Johnston to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes:—
- (a) that the Tasmanian Anti-Discrimination Act 1998 has some of the most comprehensive prohibitions against discrimination and bullying in educational settings in Australia. However, according to recently released data from the Australian Council for Educational Research, Tasmania has the highest rate of schoolyard bullying of any state or territory;
 - (b) the regular and numerous reports to support services and in the media of school students and staff experiencing discrimination and prohibited conduct;
 - (c) the adverse impacts of discrimination and bullying on students, staff, parents and whole school communities, including adverse impacts on physical and mental health; and
 - (d) there is growing concern about Tasmania's lower levels of student participation, retention and achievement and that discrimination and bullying can adversely impact all three.
- (2) Refers the following reference to the Standing Committee on Government Administration Committee A to:—
- (a) inquire into and report upon direct and indirect discrimination, prohibited conduct, unequal and disadvantageous treatment, bullying and harassment in Tasmanian schools in regard to students and staff;
 - (b) inquire into and report upon the measures necessary to prevent and remedy discrimination and bullying in Tasmanian schools in regard to students and staff;
 - (c) examine the obligations and duties of Tasmanian schools under the Anti-Discrimination Act 1998 and other relevant statutes and policies in regard to students and staff;
 - (d) examine and recommend what efforts are being made and should be made towards meeting those obligations by Tasmanian schools in regard to students and staff;
 - (e) examine what other legislative or policy reforms may be required to address discrimination and bullying in regard to students and staff;
 - (f) determine the impact of discrimination and bullying on student participation, retention and educational outcomes, and on staff recruitment, retention, workplace safety and career development;
 - (g) ensure appropriate public consultation is conducted on all matters;
 - (h) any other matter incidental; and
 - (i) that the Committee report by 28 November 2024. (11 June 2024)

16 Mr Winter to move—That:—

- (1) a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers and records to inquire into and report upon:—
- (a) the delivery of the new Spirit of Tasmania vessels and associated infrastructure;

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- (b) the decision by TT-Line to vary the terms of the contract for the new Spirit of Tasmania vessels, including its adherence to caretaker conventions; and
 - (c) any other matters incidental thereto.
- (2) The Members to serve on the Committee shall be four, being:—
 - (a) one from the Government, nominated by the Leader of the House;
 - (b) one from the Opposition, nominated by the Leader of the Opposition;
 - (c) one from the Jacqui Lambie Network; and
 - (d) one Independent Member, nominated by the Mover.
- (3) The Committee shall report by 31 July 2024. (11 June 2014)

17 Mr *Winter* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises the importance of education to Tasmania’s economic future and the ability of Tasmanians to find work in safe, secure, well-paying jobs.
- (2) Acknowledges:—
 - (a) Tasmania has the worst education outcomes of any state and results are going backwards;
 - (b) the Liberal commitment to ensure Tasmania’s NAPLAN results reach the national average by 2020 was not met;
 - (c) the Liberal commitment to reach the national average for Year 12 retention by 2022 was not delivered;
 - (d) the Liberal commitment to ensure 75% of Tasmanian students get a TCE by 2022 was not delivered; and
 - (e) educators are working with excessive workloads that are driving them from their profession. Until that is fixed there won’t be any significant or sustained improvement in what Tasmanian students are able to achieve.
- (3) Calls on the Tasmanian Government to commission an independent review of the State’s education system. (11 June 2024)

18 Ms *Dow* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that:—
 - (a) leaked information from TasRacing shows, the Hon. Jane Howlett MP, Minister for Racing and TasRacing are once again considering building the NW track at Mill Road; and
 - (b) greyhound and harness participants were asked to comment on their thoughts on building two tracks at Mill Road, as well as other projects in a leaked table.
- (2) Further notes that:—
 - (a) one of the options listed is to build a greyhound and harness track at Spreyton, an option previously ruled out;
 - (b) the Development Application for Mill Road is currently waiting on appeal; and
 - (c) pressure is mounting on the Hon. Jane Howlett and Hon. Jeremy Rockliff MP, Premier from harness and greyhound racing participants.
- (3) Acknowledges the racing industry supports hundreds of jobs, small businesses and regional communities on the North-West Coast, but the mess the Liberals have created over the past few years has placed this support at risk.
- (4) Calls on the Government to provide the industry with the certainty that it needs and deliver the new tracks that it promised. (11 June 2024)

19 Mrs *Beswick* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that Tasmanian Public institutions responsible for the care and development of children should provide them with the necessary support and resources to thrive.
- (2) Further notes that institutional environments should be conducive to physical, emotional, and mental well-being in a manner that shows the level of care for children as though they are our own.
- (3) Recognises standards of excellence for nutrition, exercise, and overall health should be paramount.
- (4) Further notes that Institutions should:—
 - (a) promote mental health awareness and support services for children, including counselling and therapy resources;

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- (b) encourage education on healthy lifestyle choices, including balanced diets and regular physical activity;
- (c) advocate for policies that prioritise the well-being of children in institutional settings, such as adequate staffing levels and appropriate training for caregivers; and
- (d) allocate resources for regular inspections and monitoring to ensure compliance with established health and safety standards. (11 June 2024)

Orders of the Day

1 Acts Enumeration Amendment Bill (No. 1): Second reading. (The Premier)

2 Electoral Disclosure and Funding Amendment Bill 2024 (No. 9): Second Reading (Dr *Woodruff*)

3 Racing Regulation and Integrity Bill 2024 (No. 10), and Racing Regulation and Integrity (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2024 (No. 11) (*Cognate Bills*): Further consideration in Committee of the whole House. (On proposed Amendment to Clause 27 of Bill No. 10.)

4 Work Health and Safety Amendment (Industrial Manslaughter) Bill 2024 (No. 15): Second Reading (Mr *O'Byrne*)

5 Police Offences Amendment (Begging Repeal) Bill 2024 (No. 16): Second Reading (Ms *Badger*)

6 Joint Sessional Committee on Workplace Culture Oversight: Consideration of the following Message from the Legislative Council: -

MADAM SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has *Resolved* –

- (1) That a Joint Sessional Workplace Culture Oversight Committee be appointed with power to send for persons and papers and with leave to report from time to time, to oversee the implementation of any recommendations, by the relevant employer, contained in the report Motion for Respect – Report into Workplace Culture in the Tasmanian Ministerial and Parliamentary Services (August 2022).
- (2) That the number of Members to be appointed to serve on the said Committee on the part of the Legislative Council be 4.

Legislative Council, 21 May 2024.

C. M. FARRELL, *President.*

7 Joint Sessional Committee on Gender and Equality: Consideration of the following Message from the Legislative Council: -

MADAM SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has *Resolved* –

That a Joint Sessional Gender and Equality Committee be appointed with power to send for persons and papers, with leave to sit during any adjournment of either House and with leave to adjourn from place to place to inquire into and report upon –

- (1) (a) Any bill referred to it by either House in order to examine gender and equality impacts and any such Bill so referred shall be reported upon within 10 sitting days of its referral;
- (b) Any matter related to gender and equality referred to it by either House; and
- (c) Any matter related to gender and equality, initiated by its own motion; and

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- (2) That Notice of any own Motion Inquiry shall be reported to both Houses within two (2) sitting days of the Committee's Resolution; and
- (3) That the number of Members to serve on the said Committee on the part of the Legislative Council be four.

Legislative Council, 21 May 2024.

C. M. FARRELL, *President.*

8 Child Safety Reform Implementation Monitor Bill 2024 (No. 14): Second Reading (Minister for Justice)

9 Joint Select Committee on Energy Prices and Related Matters: Consideration of the following Message from the Legislative Council: -

MADAM SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has *Resolved* –

- (1) That a Joint Select Committee be appointed with power to send for persons and papers, with leave to sit during any adjournment of either House and with leave to adjourn from place to place, to inquire into and report upon energy prices and related matters in Tasmania with the following Terms of Reference –
 - (a) Factors that impact energy prices for Tasmanian household and small medium business customers, with particular reference to energy generation, distribution and retail costs.
 - (b) The challenges related to energy supply and energy costs in Tasmania including –
 - (i) Role and participation of State-owned energy entities;
 - (ii) Energy requirements;
 - (iii) Expansion of State-owned renewable energy generation including associated community and economic benefits;
 - (iv) Private energy generators;
 - (v) Energy generation, storage and transmission capacity; and
 - (vi) Energy security considerations.
 - (c) Opportunities related to energy supply and energy costs in Tasmania including –
 - (i) Role and participation of State-owned energy entities;
 - (ii) Energy requirements;
 - (iii) Expansion of State-owned renewable energy generation including associated community and economic benefits;
 - (iv) Private energy generators;
 - (v) Energy generation, storage and transmission capacity; and
 - (vi) Energy security considerations.
 - (d) Tasmania's past, current and future participation in the National Electricity Market with a focus on impacts for Tasmania, including matters related to the national renewable energy transition:
 - (i) Current and future energy demand;
 - (ii) Costs, risks and benefits; and
 - (iii) Resource opportunities.
 - (e) Marinus Link PTY Ltd and associated energy power developments (Battery of the Nation and North West Transmission Development) including –
 - (i) Likely beneficiaries;
 - (ii) Funding arrangements, including the potential for private sector contribution;
 - (iii) Impact on Tasmanians' energy bills and concessional pricing arrangements; and

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- (iv) Alternative options and associated costs and/or benefits to Tasmania including costs and cost of a 'do nothing approach'.
- (f) Any other matters incidental thereto.
- (2) That the said committee be authorised to receive all submissions received by the Legislative Council Sessional Committee Government Administration 'A' Inquiry into Energy Prices in Tasmania from the Third Session of the Fiftieth Parliament.
- (3) That the said Committee be authorised to receive all submissions and related correspondence and papers received by the Joint Select Committee on Energy Matters from the Third Session of the Fiftieth Parliament.
- (4) That the number of Members to serve on the said committee on the part of the Legislative Council be four.

Legislative Council, 23 May 2024.

C. M. FARRELL, *President.*

10 Joint Sessional Committee on Recommendations of Final Report of the Commission of Inquiry: Consideration of the following Message from the Legislative Council: -

MADAM SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has *Resolved* –

- (1) That a Joint Sessional Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, with leave to sit during any adjournment of both Houses, and with leave to adjourn from place to place to inquire into and report upon matters related to the Recommendations made in the Final Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Tasmanian Government's Response to Child Sexual Abuse in Institutional Settings, including:
 - (a) the Tasmanian Government's response and plan to implement the Recommendations;
 - (b) the Tasmanian Government's progress in implementing the Recommendations;
 - (c) outcomes related to implementation of the Recommendations, both partially and fully implemented;
 - (d) monitoring progress reports provided to Parliament, as provided for by Recommendation 22.1 by the independent Child Safety Reform Implementation Monitor (when appointed);
 - (e) overseeing the performance and proper execution of functions of the Commissioner for Children and Young People, as provided for by Recommendation 18.9;
 - (f) any other relevant matters that either House may refer to the Sessional Committee; and
 - (g) any other matters incidental thereto; and
- (2) The number of Members to serve on the said Committee on the part of the Legislative Council be four.

Legislative Council, 23 May 2024.

C. M. FARRELL, *President.*

11 Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters: Consideration of the following Message from the Legislative Council: -

MADAM SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has *Resolved* –

- (1) That a Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters, be appointed for the term of the 51st Parliament with power to send for persons and papers, with leave to sit during any adjournment of either House and with leave to adjourn from place to place to inquire into and report upon –

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- (a) Such matters as may be referred to it by either House of the Parliament or a Minister, or established by the Committees' own motion that relate to:
 - (i) the *Electoral Act 2004*;
 - (ii) the *Electoral Disclosure and Funding Act 2023*;
 - (iii) provisions of the *Constitution Act 1934* that relate to the procedures for, and conduct of, elections for members of the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council; and
 - (iv) the administration, operation and practices associated with, the aforementioned electoral laws; and
 - (b) Any Bill relating to the electoral laws referred to in paragraph 1(a) and any other law relating to electoral matters as may be referred to it by either House of Parliament or a Minister.
- (2) Any aspects of the administration, operation and conduct of the 23 March 2024 General Election of Members of the Assembly and the 2024 Legislative Council periodic elections, shall stand referred to the Committee for any inquiry the Committee may wish to make;
 - (3) The Committee shall report on the outcome of any such inquiry pursuant to paragraph (2) within 18 months of the date of this Resolution being agreed to by both Houses;
 - (4) Notice of any own motion inquiry shall be reported to both Houses within two (2) sitting days of the Committee's Resolution; and
 - (5) That the number of Members to serve on the said Committee on the part of the Legislative Council be four.

Legislative Council, 23 May 2024.

C. M. FARRELL, *President.*

12 Industrial Hemp Amendment Bill 2024 (No. 17): Second Reading (Minister for Primary Industries and Water)

LAURA ROSS, *Clerk of the House*

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BILLS.

Read First Time

Bill No. 1. Acts Enumeration Amendment (*pro forma*).
Bill No. 17. Industrial Hemp Amendment Bill.

Read First Time and ready for Second Reading

Bill No. 9. Electoral Disclosure and Funding Amendment.
Bill No. 14. Child Safety Reform Implementation Monitor.
Bill No. 15. Work Health and Safety Amendment (Industrial Manslaughter).
Bill No. 16. Police Offences Amendment (Begging Repeal).

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Further consideration in Committee of the whole House

Bill No. 10. Racing Regulation and Integrity.
Bill No. 11. Racing Regulation and Integrity (Consequential Amendments).

Read Third Time and transmitted to L.C.

Bill No. 7. Sentencing Amendment (Alcohol Treatment Order).
Bill No. 8. State Litigator (Consequential Amendments).
Bill No. 12. Surveyors Amendment.
Bill No. 13. Taxation Legislation (Affordable Housing and Employment Support).

Agreed to by Both Houses

Bill No. 3. Appropriation (Further Supplementary Appropriation for 2023-24).
Bill No. 4. Supply (No. 1).
Bill No. 5. Supply (No. 2).

STANDING COMMITTEES AND MEMBERS

Integrity: Mr *Jenner*; Ms *White*; and Mr *Wood*.

Public Accounts: Mr *Behrakis*; Mr *Shelton*; and Mr *Willie*.

Public Works: Ms *Burnet*; Ms *Butler*; and Mr *Wood*.

Subordinate Legislation: Ms *Burnet*; Ms *Brown*; and Mr *Fairs*.

Privileges and Conduct: The Speaker; the Chair of Committees; the Leader of the House; Dr *Broad*; Ms *Rosol*; and Ms *White*.

Standing Orders: The Speaker; the Chair of Committees; the Leader of the House; Mr *Bayley*; Mr *Behrakis*; Dr *Broad*; and Ms *Dow*.

Government Administration A: Ms *Badger*; Mrs *Beswick*; Ms *Dow*; Mr *Fairs*; Mr *O'Byrne*; Mr *Shelton*; and Mr *Willie*.

Government Administration B: Mr *Behrakis*; Ms *Johnston*; Mrs *Pentland*; Ms *Rosol*; Ms *White*; Mr *Winter*; and Mr *Wood*.

JOINT COMMITTEES AND MEMBERS

Library: The Speaker; the Chair of Committees; Ms *Brown*; Mr *Fairs*; Mr *Jenner*; and Mr *Shelton*.

House: The Speaker; the Chair of Committees; and Ms *Johnston*.