



HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

SESSION OF 2024

(FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT)

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 25

TUESDAY, 15 OCTOBER 2024

- 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 were asked.
- 5 CONSTITUENCY QUESTIONS. – In accordance with Sessional Order No. 48C, Constituency Questions were asked.
- 6 PAPERS. – The Premier laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-
 - (1) Building Act 2016: Building Amendments Regulations 2024 (Statutory Rules 2024, No. 54).
 - (2) Answer to Question on Notice No. 9 of 2024.
 - (3) TASRAIL Annual Report 2023-24.
- 7 PAPERS. – The Attorney-General laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-
 - (1) Ombudsman Tasmania: Report on Inspections under Police Powers (Surveillance Devices) Act 2006 and Police Powers (Controlled Operations) Act 2006.
 - (2) Public Health Act 1997: Guidelines for the sale of Personal Vaporiser Products.
 - (3) Office of the Public Guardian Tasmania: Annual Report 2023-2024.
 - (4) Council of Obstetric & Paediatric Mortality & Morbidity Tasmania: Annual Report 2022.
 - (5) Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide Final Report Volumes 1 to 7.
- 8 PAPERS. – The Minister for Transport laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-
 - (1) Aurora Annual Report 2023-2024.
 - (2) Marine and Safety Tasmania (MAST) Annual Report 2023-2024.
 - (3) Motor Accidents Insurance Board Annual Report 2023-2024.

- (4) Climate Change Office: Transport Emissions Reduction and Resilience Plan 2024-2029.
- (5) National Education and Care Services: Annual Report Education and Care Services Ombudsman and National Education and Care Services Freedom of Information and Privacy Commissioners.
- (6) Annual Report 2022/23 – Australian Children’s Education and Care Quality Authority.

9 PAPERS. – The Minister for Housing and Planning laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

- (1) Housing Land Supply (Penguin) Order 2024 (Statutory Rules 2024, No. 91)
- (2) Housing Land Supply (Brighton) Order 2024 (Statutory Rules 2024, No. 92)
- (3) Erratum Notice – 2024 State of the Environment Report.

10 PAPERS. – The Minister for Children and Young People laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Answer to Question on Notice No. 18 of 2024.

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

Primary Produce Safety Act 2011: Primary Produce Safety (Dairy) Regulations 2024 Statutory Rules 2024, No. 44).

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

Port Arthur Historic Site Management Authority: Annual Report 2023-2024.

13 PAPERS. – The Clerk of the House laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

- (1) Parliamentary Disclosure of Interest Act 1996: Register of Interests for Members of the House of Assembly 2023-24.
- (2) Parliamentary (Disclosure of Interests) Act 1996: Variation Return for the Honourable Member for Lyons, Ms *Howlett*.

14 MESSAGE FROM HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR. – The Speaker read the following Message from Her Excellency the Governor:-

MESSAGE.

BARBARA BAKER, *Governor*.

A Bill for an Act to amend the Work Health and Safety Act 2012 (Bill No. 24 (*Act No. 15 of 2024*))

A Bill for an Act to provide for the regulation of thoroughbred, harness and greyhound racing, to ensure the integrity of persons involved in such racing, to safeguard the welfare of animals, and for related purposes (Bill No. 10 (*Act No. 16 of 2024*))

A Bill for an Act to amend the Civil Liability Act 2002, the Corrections Act 1997, the Criminal Code Act 1924, the Police Offences Act 1935, the Registration to Work with Vulnerable People Act 2013 and the Sentencing Act 1997 and to consequentially amend the Annulled Convictions Act 2003, the Child and Youth Safe Organisations Act 2023, the Community Protection (Offender Reporting) Act 2005, the Evidence Act 2001, the Evidence (Children and Special Witnesses) Act 2001 and the Justice Act 1959 (Bill No. 26 (*Act No. 17 of 2024*))

A Bill for an Act to amend the Evidence (Children and Special Witnesses) Act 2001 (Bill No.28 (*Act No. 18 of 2024*))

A Bill for an Act to amend the Forest Practices Act 1985 and the Private Forests Act 1994 (Bill No. 20 (*Act No. 19 of 2024*))

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, 2 October 2024.

15 MESSAGE FROM HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR. – The Speaker read the following Message from Her Excellency the Governor:-

MESSAGE.

BARBARA BAKER, *Governor*.

A Bill for an Act to make provision for mediation concerning farm debts and for other related purposes (Bill No. 33 (*Act No. 20 of 2024*))

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, 2 October 2024.

16 BILL NO. 45. – The Minister for Justice presented -

“A Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code Act 1924, Dangerous Criminals and High Risk Offenders Act 2021, Electoral Act 2004, Evidence Act 2001, Family Violence Act 2004, Forensic Procedures Act 2000, Gas Safety Act 2019, Health Complaints Act 1995, Integrity Commission Act 2009, Justices Act 1959, Justices of the Peace Act 2018 and the Occupational Licensing Act 2005”.

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

17 LEAVE TO MAKE MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE. - *Ordered*, That Dr *Woodruff* have leave to make a Motion without Notice. (Dr *Woodruff*)

18 TRANSFER OF CARE DELAYS, SELECT COMMITTEE ON: TIME FOR BRINGING UP REPORT. – *Ordered*, That:

The reporting date for the Select Committee on Transfer of Care Delays (Ambulance Ramping) be extended until 21 November next. (Dr *Woodruff*)

19 MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE: INFRASTRUCTURE. – Mr *Winter* in accordance with Standing Orders, moved - That the House take note of the following matter:

Infrastructure.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

20 BILL NOS. 39 AND 40. - ESTIMATES COMMITTEES: REPORTS BROUGHT UP. - The Order of the Day being read for consideration of the Reports of Estimates Committees A and B on the Appropriation Bills (No. 1) and (No. 2) 2024, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House.

(In the Committee)

Ms *Finlay* took the Chair.

The following Reports of Estimates Committee A together with the minutes of proceedings, transcripts of evidence and copies of additional information were brought up and laid upon the Table by Mrs *Petrusma* on the Estimates of:

The Premier, Minister for Tourism, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Trade and Major Investment;

Minister for Transport and Minister for Business, Industry and Resources;

Treasurer and Minister for Small Business and Consumer Affairs;

Minister for Parks and Environment and Minister for Energy and Renewables;

Minister for Finance, Minister for Local Government and Minister for Sport and Events; and

Minister for Community Services, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister for Children and Youth.

The following Reports of Estimates Committee B together with the minutes of proceedings, transcripts of evidence and copies of additional information were brought up and laid upon the Table by Mr *Behrakis* on the Estimates of:

Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management, Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Housing and Planning;

Attorney-General and Minister for Justice, Minister for Health, Mental Health and Wellbeing, and Minister for Veterans Affairs;

Minister for Primary Industries and Water, and Minister for Racing;

Minister for Education, and Minister for Disability Services; and

Minister for Corrections and Rehabilitation, Minister for Women and the Prevention of Family Violence, Minister for Science and Technology, and Minister for the Arts.

Question proposed - That the proposed expenditures be agreed to and that the resolutions or expressions of opinion agreed to by the Committee in relation to those expenditures be noted;

A Debate arose thereupon.

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

And the Question being again proposed – The Committee resumed the Debate.

The Chair of Committees took the Chair.

And the Question being again proposed – The Committee resumed the Debate.

Mr *Behrakis* took the Chair.

And the Question being again proposed – The Committee resumed the Debate.

Ms *Finlay* took the Chair.

Mrs *Beswick* took the Chair.

And the Question being again proposed – The Committee resumed the Debate.

The Chair of Committees took the Chair.

And the Question being again proposed – The Committee resumed the Debate.

Mr *Behrakis* took the Chair.

To report progress and seek leave to sit again.

The House being resumed, Mr *Behrakis*, reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bills, and had directed him to seek leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, on tomorrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

21 ADJOURNMENT. – The time being thirty minutes past Seven o'clock pm 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 twenty-one minutes past Eight o'clock.

LAURA ROSS, *Clerk of the House*.

MEMBERS. - All present during the day.

The Minister for Energy and Renewables, and Minister for Parks and Environment, and the Minister for Education, and Minister for Disability Services attended Question Time.