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TUESDAY, 1 APRIL 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 **SENATE VACANCY.** – The Speaker informed the House that the following communication had been received from Her Excellency the Governor:-

Government House,
Hobart, Tasmania

28 March 2025

The Honourable Michelle O'Byrne MP
Speaker of the House of Assembly,
Parliament House,
Hobart 7000

Dear Madam Speaker,

I enclose a copy of the letter that I have received from the President of the Senate notifying me that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 21 of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution, a vacancy has occurred on 28 March 2025 in the representation of the State of Tasmania as a result of the resignation of Senator Anne Urquhart.

I have also written to the Premier and the President of the Legislative Council to advise them of the vacancy.

Yours sincerely,

BARBARA BAKER, *Governor.*

- 5 **QUESTIONS SEEKING INFORMATION.** – In accordance with Standing Order No. 43, Questions without notice were asked.
- 6 **CONSTITUENCY QUESTIONS.** – In accordance with Sessional Order No. 48C, Constituency Questions were asked.
- 7 **PAPERS.** – The Deputy Premier laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-
 - (1) Office of the Tasmanian Economic Regulator: Energy in Tasmania Report 2023-24.
- 8 **PAPERS.** – The Minister for Transport laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

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- (1) Nature Conservation Act 2002: Proclamation Under the Nature Conservation Act 2002 (Statutory Rules 2025, No.)
- (2) Response to Petition No. 9 of 2024.
- (3) Response to Petition No. 4 of 2025.
- (4) Sorell Council: By-Law No. 1 of 2025 Regulating Matters in Public Places within the Municipal Area
- (5) City of Clarence: By-Law No. 1 of 2025 Local Highways Standard Requirements
- (6) Land Acquisition Act 1993 (Section 18):
 - (i) Dated 23 January 2025, land situate in the Parish of Cranbourne, Land District of Dorset, Municipal Area of George Town, Lot 1 on Plan of Survey P184608, registered in the name of Rio Tinto Aluminium (Bell Bay) Limited for road purposes;
 - (ii) Dated 10 October 2024, land situate in the Town of Carrick, Municipal Area of Meander Valley, Lot 8 on Plan of Survey P186516, registered in the name of The Trustee of the Diocese of Tasmania for road purposes;
 - (iii) Dated 10 October 2024, land situate in the Parish of Carrick, Land District of Westmorland, Municipal Area of Meander Valley, Lot 3 on Plan of Survey P186516, registered in the names of Hugh Thirkell-Johnston, Louise Fleur Thirkell-Johnston for road purposes;
 - (iv) Dated 10 October 2024, land situate in the Parish of Carrick, Land District of Westmorland, Municipal Area of Meander Valley, Lot 7 on Plan of Survey P186516, registered in the name of Goleigh Holdings Pty Ltd for road purposes;
 - (v) Dated 10 October 2024, land situate in the Parish of Carrick, Land District of Westmorland, Municipal Area of Meander Valley, Lot 6 on Plan of Survey P186516, registered in the name of Anitam Pt Ltd for road purposes;
 - (vi) Dated 10 October 2024, land situate in the Parish of Carrick, Land District of Westmorland, Municipal Area of Meander Valley, Lot 1 on Plan of Survey P186516, registered in the name of Anitam Pt Ltd for road purposes;
 - (vii) Dated 10 October 2024, land situate in the Parish of Carrick, Land District of Westmorland, Municipal Area of Meander Valley, Lot 4 on Plan of Survey P186516, registered in the name of Anitam Pt Ltd for road purposes;
 - (viii) Dated 10 October 2024, land situate in the Parish of Carrick, Land District of Westmorland, Municipal Area of Meander Valley, Lot 2 on Plan of Survey P186516, registered in the name of Vinchelez Investments Pty Ltd for road purposes;
 - (ix) Dated 10 October 2024, land situate in the Parish of Carrick, Land District of Westmorland, Municipal Area of Meander Valley, Lot 100 Reserve and Lot 101 Reserve on Plan of Survey P186516, registered in the name of Piers Edward Martin Dumaresq for road purposes.

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

- (1) Answer to Question on Notice No. 34 of 2024.

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- (2) Waste and Resource Recovery Act 2022: Waste and Resource Recovery (Exclusion of Engineered Stone) Order 2024.

10 PAPERS. – The Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

- (1) Police Offences Act 1935: Police Offences Regulations 2024 (Statutory Rules 2024, No. 75).
- (2) Firearms Act 1996: Firearms Amendment Regulations 2024 (Statutory Rules 2024, No. 74).

11 PAPERS. – The Minister for Finance laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

Answer to Question on Notice No. 32.

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

Gene Technology Amendment (Minor Measures) Regulations 2025 of the Commonwealth.

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

University of Tasmania Financial Position (Paper No. 8).

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

14 BILL NO. 7. – The Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management presented -

“A Bill for an Act to amend the Police Offences Act 1935” (Bill No. 7).

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

15 MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE: TOURISM, TRADE AND MAJOR INVESTMENT. – Mr *Winter* in accordance with Standing Orders, moved - That the House take note of the following matter:

Tourism, Trade and Major Investment.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

16 BILL NO. 3. - The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of the Police Offences Amendment (Knives and Other Weapons) Bill 2025.

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

A Debate arose thereupon.

And Mr *Street* was addressing the Chair.

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

18 BILL NO. 3. – And the Question again being again proposed;

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The House resumed the Debate.

19 LEAVE TO EXTEND A MEMBER'S SPEAKING TIME. – Ordered, That the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services have an extension of speaking time of 5 minutes. (Mr *O'Byrne*)

20 BILL NO. 3. - And the Question being put;

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 Deputy Speaker having left the Chair, the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee)

Mr *Behrakis* took the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 4 agreed to.

Clause 5 read.

Amendment proposed (Mr *Garland*)

Page 5, proposed new section 15CAA, subsection (1), after the definition of *electronic metal detection device search*.

Insert the following definition:

personal camera has the same meaning as in the *Police Powers (Surveillance Devices) Act 2006*.

A Debate arose thereupon.

Ms *Finlay* took the Chair.

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

The Committee divided.

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AYES 9

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

NOES 22

Mr Abetz
Mr Barnett
Mr Behrakis
Ms Brown
Ms Butler
Ms Dow
Mr Ellis
Mr Fairs
Mr Farrell
Mr Ferguson
Ms Haddad
Ms Howlett
Mr Jaensch
Mr O'Byrne
Ms O'Byrne
Ms Ogilvie
Mrs Pentland
Mrs Petrusma
Mr Rockliff
Mr Street
Mr Winter
Mr Willie (Teller)

So it passed in the Negative.

Clause 5 further considered.

Amendment proposed (*Ms Badger*)

Page 6, proposed new section 15CAA, subsection (2), after “any person”

Insert “, other than a youth,”

A Debate arose thereupon.

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

The Committee divided.

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AYES 7

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

NOES 24

Mr Abetz
Mr Barnett
Mr Behrakis
Mrs Beswick
Ms Brown
Ms Butler
Ms Dow
Mr Ellis
Mr Fairs
Mr Farrell
Mr Ferguson
Ms Haddad
Ms Howlett
Mr Jaensch
Mr O'Byrne
Ms O'Byrne
Ms Ogilvie
Mrs Pentland
Mrs Petrusma
Mr Rockliff
Mr Street
Mr Winter
Mr Willie
Mr Jenner (Teller)

And it was resolved in the Negative.

And the Question being put – That Clause 5 as read be agreed to.

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

New Clause A was brought up by *Mr Garland* and read a First Time as follows:-

New Clause A

To follow Clause 5.

A. Section 70 inserted

After section 69 of the Principal Act, the following section is inserted in Part IX:

70. Information be included in annual report

(1) In this section –

electronic metal detection device search has the same meaning as in section 15CAA.

(2) The Commissioner must ensure that the annual report submitted to the Minister by the Secretary of the Department under section 36 of the *State Service Act 2000* in respect of a 12-month period includes the following information in relation to that period:

(a) the number of people who were required by a police officer to submit to an electronic metal detection device search;

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- (b) the number of knives or other weapons that were detected by police officers conducting electronic metal detection device searches;
 - (c) the number and the nature of the charges made against persons as a result of electronic metal detection device searches undertaken by police officers.
- (3) The information specified in subsection (2) must not include any information that identifies, or is likely to lead to the identification of, an individual.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put – That New Clause A be read a Second time and made part of the Bill to follow Clause 5.

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause 6 agreed to,

New Clause B was brought up by Mr *Garland* and read a First Time as follows:-

New Clause B
To follow Clause 6.

B. Section [X] inserted

Before Schedule 1 to the Principal Act, the following section is inserted in Part IX:

X. Review of provisions relating to electronic metal detection device searches

- (1) In this section –

independent review means a review carried out by persons –

- (a) who, in the Minister's opinion, are appropriately qualified for that task; and
 - (b) the majority of whom are not employees of the State or of any agency of the State.
- (2) The Minister is to cause an independent review of the operation of the provisions inserted into this Act by the *Police Offences Amendment (Knives and Other Weapons) Act 2025* to be completed within 6 months after the first anniversary of the commencement of that Act.
- (3) The Minister is to cause a copy of the review to be tabled in each House of Parliament within 10 sitting-days of that House after it is given to the Minister.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put – That New Clause B be read a Second time and made part of the Bill to follow Clause 6.

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause 7 agreed to.

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Clause 8 read.

Amendments proposed (Ms *Badger*)

First Amendment

Page 7, proposed new regulation 8A, subregulation (1), definition of *education facility*

Leave out the definition.

Second Amendment

Page 10, proposed new regulation 8A, subregulation (2), paragraph (h)

Leave out the paragraph.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put – That the Amendments be agreed to.

The Committee divided.

AYES 8

Ms *Badger*
Mr *Bayley*
Ms *Burnet*
Ms *Johnston*
Mr *O'Byrne*
Ms *Rosol*
Dr *Woodruff*
Mr *Garland* (Teller)

NOES 23

Mr *Abetz*
Mr *Barnett*
Mr *Behrakis*
Mrs *Beswick*
Ms *Brown*
Ms *Butler*
Ms *Dow*
Mr *Ellis*
Mr *Fairs*

Mr *Ferguson*
Ms *Haddad*
Ms *Howlett*
Mr *Jaensch*
Mr *Jenner*
Ms *O'Byrne*
Ms *Ogilvie*
Mrs *Pentland*
Mrs *Petrusma*
Mr *Rockliff*
Mr *Street*
Mr *Winter*
Mr *Willie*
Mr *Farrell* (Teller)

And it was resolved in the Negative.

Clause 9 agreed to.

Title agreed to
Bill to be reported with Amendment.

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The House being resumed, Ms *Finlay* 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 Police, Fire and Emergency Management)

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the Third time.
And the Bill was, accordingly, read the Third time.

21 BILL NO. 3. - 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 Police Offences Act 1935 and the Police Offences Regulations 2024”,

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

House of Assembly, 1 April 2025.

MICHELLE O’BYRNE, *Speaker*.

22 BILL NO. 27 of 2024. - The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on Tuesday, 26 November 2024 - That the Residential Tenancy Amendment Bill 2024 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)

Mrs *Beswick* took the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 read.

Amendment proposed (Mr *Bayley*)

Page 4, paragraph (b).

Leave out the paragraph.

Insert instead the following paragraphs:

(b) by inserting the following definition after the definition of *payment period*:

permitted modification, in relation to premises to which a residential tenancy agreement relates, means –

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- (c) the affixing of an item of furniture to those premises for the purposes of avoiding the risk of injury or death to a person from the movement of that furniture; and
- (d) a prescribed modification;
- (ba) by inserting the following definition after the definition of “social housing provider”:

specified modification, in relation to premises to which a residential tenancy agreement relates, means a renovation, alteration or addition to those premises –

- (e) that can be removed or undone so that the premises are restored to substantially the same state as the premises were in at the commencement of the agreement, reasonable wear and tear excepted; or
- (f) made to those premises for one of the following reasons:
 - (i) the safety of the tenant or other people on the premises;
 - (ii) to assist a tenant in relation to the tenant’s disability;
 - (iii) to improve the energy efficiency of the premises;
 - (iv) to allow access for telecommunications services;
 - (v) the security of the premises, the tenant or other people on the premises;
 - (vi) any other prescribed reason; or
- (g) that is a prescribed modification.

A Debate arose thereupon.

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

The Committee divided.

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AYES 7

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

NOES 24

Mr Abetz
Mr Barnett
Mr Behrakis
Ms Brown
Ms Butler
Ms Dow
Mr Ellis
Mr Fairs
Mr Farrell
Mr Ferguson
Ms Haddad
Ms Howlett
Mr Jaensch
Mr Jenner
Mr O'Byrne
Ms O'Byrne
Ms Ogilvie
Mrs Pentland
Mrs Petrusma
Mr Rockliff
Mr Street
Mr Willie
Mr Winter
Dr Broad (Teller)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put – That Clause 4 as read be agreed to.

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clause 5 read.

Amendment proposed (Minister for Housing, Planning and Consumer Affairs)

Page 4, after “the following Part is inserted:”

Leave out proposed new Part 3C.

Insert instead the following Part:

“Part 3C – PETS

36Q. Interpretation of Part

In this Part –

exempt animal, in relation to residential premises, includes –

(h) a dog that –

(i) has been, or is being, trained by an approved guide dogs institution or approved hearing

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dogs institution within the meaning of the *Guide Dogs and Hearing Dogs Act 1967*; and

- (ii) is assigned as a guide dog under that Act to a person who resides at the premises; and
- (i) a dog that is being trained by an approved guide dogs institution or approved hearing dogs institution within the meaning of the *Guide Dogs and Hearing Dogs Act 1967*, if the person conducting the training resides at the premises; and
- (j) an assistance animal within the meaning of the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* of the Commonwealth that is an assistance animal in respect of a person who resides at the premises –

but does not include an animal, specified under paragraph (j), that is determined not to be an exempt animal by the Tribunal under section 36U(1)(d);

ineligible animal includes the following animals:

- (k) a dog that is more than 6 months of age, if the dog is not registered as required under section 8 of the *Dog Control Act 2000*;
- (l) a cat that is more than 6 months of age, if the cat –
 - (i) is not microchipped as required under section 12(1) of the *Cat Management Act 2009*; and
 - (ii) is not the subject of a certificate referred to in section 12(2) of that Act;

pet means a domesticated animal, or an animal that is dependent on a person for the provision of food or shelter, if that animal is not an exempt animal or an ineligible animal.

36R. Keeping animals on premises

- (1) Subject to subsection (4), a tenant of residential premises may –
 - (a) keep one or more exempt animals on those premises; and
 - (b) with the consent of the owner of the premises, keep one or more pets on those premises.
- (2) If a tenant of residential premises wishes to keep one or more pets on those premises in accordance with subsection (1)(b), the tenant is to request the written consent of the owner of the premises.
- (3) A request under subsection (2) is to –
 - (a) be in an approved form; and
 - (b) specify the pet or pets in relation to which the request is made; and
 - (c) specify whether a pet in relation to which the request is made is a dangerous dog, or a restricted breed dog, within the meaning of the *Dog Control Act 2000*;

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- (d) if the pet in relation to which the request is made is a dangerous dog, specify the manner in which the residential premises conforms to the requirements of an enclosure that complies with the prescribed requirements of the *Dog Control Act 2000*;
 - (e) be given to the owner of the premises to which the request applies.
- (4) Nothing in this section derogates from the operation of –
- (a) the provisions of an Act; or
 - (b) by-laws made under Part 11 of the *Local Government Act 1993*; or
 - (c) by-laws made by a body corporate under section 90 of the *Strata Titles Act 1998* –

that restrict or prevent the keeping of a pet on certain premises.

36S. Owner must not unreasonably refuse consent to keeping of pet

- (1) The owner of residential premises to whom a tenant has made a request under section 36R(2) must, within 14 days after being given the request –
- (a) give written consent to the tenant keeping the pets specified in the request; or
 - (b) refuse to consent to the tenant keeping the pets specified in the request by –
 - (i) giving written notice of the refusal and the reason for the refusal, in an approved form, to the tenant; and
 - (ii) if the pet is not a dangerous dog within the meaning of the *Dog Control Act 2000*, making an application to the Tribunal under section 36U(1); or
 - (c) give consent under paragraph (a) to the tenant keeping one or more pets, and refuse to consent to the keeping of another one or more pets under paragraph (b).
- (2) The owner of residential premises to whom a request has been made under section 36R(2) must not unreasonably refuse that request.
- (3) For the avoidance of doubt, the owner of a residential premises to whom a request has been made under section 36R(2) may refuse to consent to the tenant keeping a pet, specified in the request, that is a dangerous dog within the meaning of the *Dog Control Act 2000*, without making application to the Tribunal.
- (4) The owner of residential premises may give conditional consent to a request made under section 36R(2) as specified in a written consent under subsection (1)(a) if those conditions –
- (a) are agreed to by the tenant; and
 - (b) relate only to the pets specified in the request; and
 - (c) are reasonable in the circumstances; and
 - (d) do not require an increase to the rent or security deposit payable by the tenant; and

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- (e) do not otherwise contravene the provisions of this Act or any other Act.
- (5) An owner of residential premises is taken to have consented to a request made under section 36R(2) in respect of those premises if the owner has not given, or refused, consent in accordance with subsection (1) within 14 days after being given the request.
- (6) An owner of residential premises who reasonably believes that an animal, in relation to which no request for consent has been made, is being kept at the premises may make an application under section 36U(1) for an order that the animal may not be kept on those premises.

36T. Withdrawal of consent

If the owner of residential premises has given written consent under section 36S in respect of a pet, the owner of residential premises may only withdraw consent to the tenant keeping the pet on those premises if –

- (a) the owner has given written notice to the tenant of –
 - (i) the owner's intention to withdraw consent in relation to the pets specified in the notice; and
 - (ii) the reason for the withdrawal; and
- (b) the withdrawal of that consent is not unreasonable; and
- (c) the Tribunal has made an order under section 36U(2)(c) permitting the owner to withdraw the consent in relation to the pets.

36U. Determination of matter by Tribunal

- (1) On application from the owner of residential premises, the Tribunal has the jurisdiction to determine each of the following matters:
 - (a) whether the owner's refusal to give consent to the keeping of a pet, specified in a request made by a tenant of those premises under section 36R(2), is on reasonable grounds or not;
 - (b) whether the withdrawal of consent by the owner of residential premises to the tenant keeping a pet or pets on those premises is on reasonable grounds or not;
 - (c) whether an animal, in relation to whom no request for consent has been made, may or may not be kept on those premises;
 - (d) whether an animal is, or is not, a pet, exempt animal (within the meaning of paragraph (b) of the definition of *exempt animal*) or ineligible animal for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) If the Tribunal makes a determination in respect of a matter under subsection (1), the Tribunal may make one of the following orders in respect of a residential premises:
 - (a) that a tenant of the premises may keep a pet, specified in a request made by the tenant under section 36R(2);
 - (b) that the owner of the residential premises may refuse consent to a tenant keeping a pet specified in a request made by the tenant under section 36R(2);

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- (c) that the owner of the residential premises may withdraw consent to keep a pet, specified in a request made by a tenant under section 36R(2) in relation to those premises, on the premises;
 - (d) that an animal is not an exempt animal within the meaning of paragraph (b) of the definition of *exempt animal*;
 - (e) that a pet, or an ineligible animal, must be removed from the residential premises;
 - (f) any other order that the Tribunal considers reasonable in the circumstances.
- (3) On making an order under subsection (2), the Tribunal may provide for conditions and any other ancillary matter, relating to the keeping of a pet on the premises, that it considers appropriate.
- (4) If the Tribunal makes an order under subsection (2)(c) or (e), the order –
- (a) is to specify the period within which the animal to which the order relates is to be removed from the relevant residential premises; or
 - (b) if no such period is specified in the order, is taken to require the tenant to remove the animal to which the order relates from the relevant residential premises within 7 days after the tenant is notified of the making of the order.
- (5) For the avoidance of doubt, a matter specified in subsection (1) as being within the jurisdiction of the Tribunal is –
- (a) within the original jurisdiction of the Tribunal; and
 - (b) allocated to the Civil and Consumer stream of the General Division of the Tribunal within the meaning of the *Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal Act 2020*.

36V. Reasonable grounds

In determining a matter that is within the jurisdiction of the Tribunal by virtue of section 36U, the Tribunal may take into account the following grounds:

- (a) whether keeping a pet, specified in a request made by a tenant under section 36R(2) in relation to residential premises, would have any of the following effects:
 - (i) cause a nuisance on the premises;
 - (ii) cause a nuisance on an adjacent or adjoining premises or other nearby premises;
 - (iii) cause damage that is more than reasonable wear and tear to the premises;
 - (iv) pose an unacceptable risk to the safety of any person;
 - (v) pose an unacceptable risk to the safety or welfare of the pet or another animal on the premises;
- (b) any other grounds that the Tribunal considers reasonable in the circumstances.

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36W. Rejection of application because of pet

The owner of residential premises must not unreasonably reject an application to rent the premises on the basis that the person making the application has indicated that the person will be requesting consent to keep a pet on those premises.

36X. Transitional provision

If, immediately before the commencement of section 36R, a tenant of residential premises has the oral or written consent of the owner of those premises to keep a pet on those premises –

- (a) that consent is taken to be a consent given under this Part in respect of that pet; and
- (b) after the commencement of section 36R that consent may be withdrawn in accordance with section 36T.”

A Debate arose thereupon.

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

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put – That Clause 5 as amended be agreed to.

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Clauses 6 to 9 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

The House being resumed, Mrs *Beswick* 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 Police, Fire and Emergency Management)

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the Third time.
And the Bill was, accordingly, read the Third time.

21 BILL NO. 27 of 2024. - 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 Residential Tenancy Act 1997”,

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

House of Assembly, 1 April 2025.

MICHELLE O’BYRNE, *Speaker*.

22 ADJOURNMENT.— A Motion being made - That the House do now adjourn (The Minister for Transport)

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

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

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House adjourned at twenty minutes past Seven o'clock.

LAURA ROSS, *Clerk of the House*.

MEMBERS. - All present during the day except Mr *Shelton* and Mr *Wood*.

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.