

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

SESSION OF 2022

(SECOND SESSION OF THE FIFTIETH PARLIAMENT)

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 4

TUESDAY, 24 MAY 2022

- 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 MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE. The Premier made a Statement to the House in relation to the safety of children and young people.
- **6** MINISTERIAL STATEMENT NOTED. A Motion was made and the Question proposed That the Ministerial Statement made by the Premier be noted. (Ms *White*)

A debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

- 7 PAPERS. The Premier laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-
 - Answer to Question on Notice No. 25.
- 8 PAPERS. The Minister for Parks laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

Land Acquisition Act 1993 (Notice of Acquisition pursuant to Section 18):

- (i) Dated 21 April 2022, land situate in the Town of Longford, Municipal Area of Northern Midlands, Lot 1 on Plan of Survey 203348 registered in the names Deanna Roberta-Kuan Conti and Justin Robert-Ghin Sweeting for the purpose of an ambulance station;
- (ii) Dated 31 March 2022, land situate in the Parish of Longford, Land District of Westmorland, Municipal Area of Northern Midlands, Lot 12 on Plan of Survey P181617 registered in the names Denise Anne Grant and Wayne Linus Grant for road purposes; and
- (iii) Dated 21 April 2022, land situate in the City of Glenorchy, Municipal Area of Glenorchy, Lot 2 on Plan of Survey 177859 registered in the name of Hole in the Ground Investments Pty Ltd for the purpose of an ambulance station.
- 9 PAPERS. The Deputy Premier laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Response to Petition No. 21 of 2021.

- 10 PAPERS. The Attorney-General laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-
 - COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020: Notice Under Section 20.
 - (2) Property Agents and Land Transactions Act 2016: Property Agents and Land Transactions Amendment Regulations 2022 (Statutory Rules 2022, No. 17).
- 11 PAPERS. The Minister for Racing laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

Fee Units Act 1997:

- (a) Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania: Schedule of Fees Ministerial Portfolio of Racing; and
- (b) Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania: Schedule of Fees Ministerial Portfolio of Heritage.
- 12 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 Land Tax Rating Act 2000 (Bill No. 6 (Act No. 10 of 2022))

A Bill for an Act to amend the Forest Practices Act 1985 (Bill No. 13 (Act No. 11 of 2022))

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

Government House, Hobart, 13 May 2022.

13 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS. - A Message from the Legislative Council -

MR SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has made the following reappointments to Committees as a consequence of the Legislative Council elections held on 7 May 2022:-

Ms *Rattray* to serve on the Joint Parliamentary Standing Committees on Public Works and Subordinate Legislation, and the Joint Library Committee; and

Mr Willie to serve on the Joint Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts.

Legislative Council, 24 May 2022.

C.M. FARRELL, President.

14 BILL NO. 29. – The Minister for Planning presented -

"A Bill for an Act to amend the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993".

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

15 BILL NO. 28. – The Minister for Local Government presented -

"A Bill for an Act to amend the Local Government Act 1993".

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

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTEGRITY, RESIGNATION OF MEMBER. – The Speaker informed the House that the following communication had been received from the Honourable Member for Bass, Mr *Ferguson:*-

20 May 2022

Hon Mark Shelton MP Speaker of the House of Assembly Parliament House HOBART

Dear Mr Speaker,

Re: Joint Standing Committee on Integrity

In accordance with section 25 of the Integrity Commission Act 2009, I hereby notify you of my resignation from the Joint Standing Committee on Integrity.

Yours sincerely,

Hon. Michael Ferguson MP MEMBER FOR BASS

- 17 LEAVE TO MAKE MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE. *Ordered*, That the Minister for Hospitality and Events have leave to make a Motion without Notice. (The Minister for Hospitality and Events)
- 18 INTEGRITY COMMITTEE. *Ordered*, That the mover be appointed to serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Integrity in accordance with section 23 subsection (4) of the Integrity Commission Act 2009 (No. 67). (The Minister for Hospitality and Events)
- 19 INTEGRITY COMMITTEE. A Message to the Legislative Council. -

MR PRESIDENT

In accordance with section 23 subsection (4) of the Integrity Commission Act 2009 (No. 67), the following Member has been appointed on the part of the House of Assembly to serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Integrity:-

Mr Street.

House of Assembly, 24 May 2022

 $MARK\ SHELTON,\ Speaker.$

- **20** LEAVE TO MAKE MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE. *Ordered*, That the Minister for Hospitality and Events have leave to make certain Motions without Notice. (The Minister for Hospitality and Events)
- APPROPRIATION BILLS (NUMBERS 1 AND 2) 2022: PRECEDENCE OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS. *Ordered*, that Government Business take precedence from such time as the Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2022 and the Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2022 are introduced, until the House has dealt with all business associated with the Budget. (The Minister for Hospitality and Events)
- 22 APPROPRIATION BILLS (NUMBERS 1 AND 2) 2022: ALLOTMENT OF TIME FOR DEBATE AND ESTABLISHMENT OF ESTIMATES COMMITTEES. A Motion being made and the Question being proposed That:-

- (a) all stages of the Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2022 and the Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2022 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;
- on the Second reading, the Premier 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) 2022 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 14 June 2022, 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, 6 June	2	
0900 - 1200 1200 - 1230 1230 - 1300 1400 - 1900 1900 - 2000	Premier (3 hours) Minister for Tourism (½ hour) Minister for Trade (½ hour) Minister for Health (5 hours) Minister for Mental Health and	Hon. Jeremy Rockliff MP
	Wellbeing (1 hour)	
Tuesday, 7 June	2	
0900 - 1300	Minister for Infrastructure and Transport (4 hours)	Hon. Michael Ferguson MP
1400 - 1800	Treasurer (4 hours)	
1800 - 1900 Wednesday, 8 J	Minister for Planning (1 hour)	
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0900 - 1030	Minister for Community Services and Development (1½ hours)	Hon. Nic Street MP
1030 - 1200	Minister for Sport and Recreation (1½ hours)	
1200 - 1300	Minister for Hospitality and Events (1 hour)	
1400 - 1500	Minister for Local Government (1 hour)	
1500 - 1600	Minister for Women (1 hour)	Hon. Jo Palmer MLC
1600 - 1700	Minister for Disability Services (1 hour)	
1700 - 2000	Minister for Primary Industries and Water (3 hours)	

Thursday, 9 June		
0900 - 1200	Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management (3 hours)	Hon. Jacquie Petrusma MP
1200 - 1300	Minister for the Prevention of Family Violence (1 hour)	
1400 - 1600	Minister for Parks (2 hours)	

House of Assembly Estimates Committee B:-

Date		Minister
Monday, 6 June		
0900 - 1200	Attorney-General and Minister for Justice (3 hours)	Hon. Elise Archer MP
1200 - 1300	Minister for Corrections and	
1400 - 1500	Rehabilitation (1 hours) Minister for Corrections and	
1500 - 1630	Rehabilitation cont. (1 hour) Minister for Workplace Safety and Consumer Affairs (1½ hours)	
1630 - 1730	Minister for the Arts (1 hour)	
Tuesday, 7 June		
0900 - 1100	Minister for Energy and Renewables (2 hours)	Hon. Guy Barnett MP
1100 - 1300	Minister for Resources (2 hours)	
1400 - 1700	Minister for State Development,	
1700 - 1730	Construction and Housing (3 hours) Minister for Veterans Affairs	
1700 - 1730	(½ hour)	
Wednesday, 8 Ju		
0900 - 1200	Minister for Education, Children and Youth (3 hours)	Hon. Roger Jaensch MP
1200 - 1300	Minister for Environment and	
1400 - 1500	Climate Change (1 hour) Minister for Environment and	
1100 1500	Climate Change cont. (1 hour)	
1500 - 1600	Minister for Aboriginal Affairs	
	(1 hour)	
1600 - 1800	Minister for Skills, Training and	
Thursday O.I.	Workforce Growth (2 hours)	
Thursday, 9 June		
0900 - 1000	Minister for Racing (1 hour)	Hon. Madeleine Ogilvie MP
1000 - 1100	Minister for Heritage (1 hour)	- 0
1100 - 1200	Minister for Small Business (1 hour)	
1200 - 1300	Minister for Science and Technology (1 hour)	
1400 - 1500	Minister for Advanced	
	Manufacturing and Defence	
	Industries (1 hour)	

MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES - HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ESTIMATES

(1) Estimates Committee A consists of the following Members:
The Chair of Committees (Chair);
Mrs Alexander (Deputy-Chair);

One member nominated by the Leader of the Opposition; and Ms *O'Connor*.

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

Mr Ellis (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 given by a time decided by the Committee; 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. (The Minister for Hospitality and Events)

An Amendment was proposed by Mr Winter,

- (1) In the table for Estimates Committee A:
 - (a) After "Premier" by leaving out "(3 hours)" and inserting instead "(4 hours)".
 - (b) After "Health" by leaving out "(5 hours)" and inserting instead "(6 hours)".
 - (c) After "Mental Health and Wellbeing" by leaving out "(1 hour)" and inserting instead "(2 hours)".
 - (d) After "Infrastructure and Transport" by leaving out "(4 hours)" and inserting instead "(3 hours)".
 - (e) By adding:

Friday, 10 June			
0900 - 1000 1000 - 1030 1030 - 1230	Minister for Tourism (1 hour) Minister for Trade (0.5 hours) Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing (2 hours)	Hon. Jeremy Rockliff MP	

- (2) In the table for Estimates Committee B:
 - (a) After "Skills, Training and Workforce Growth" by leaving out "(2 hours)" and inserting instead "(1.5 hours)".
 - (b) After "Heritage" by leaving out "(1 hour)" and inserting instead "(0.5 hours)".
 - (c) After "Science and Technology" by leaving out "(1 hour)" and inserting instead "(0.5 hours)".
 - (d) After "Advanced Manufacturing and Defence Industries" by leaving out "(1 hour)" and inserting instead "(0.5 hours)".

A debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

AYES 11 NOES 11

Dr Broad Ms Archer Ms Butler Mr Barnett Ms Finlay Mr Ferguson Ms Haddad Mr Jaensch Ms Ogilvie Ms Johnston Mr O'Byrne Mrs Petrusma Ms O'Connor Mr Rockliff Ms White Mr Street Mr Winter Mr Tucker Dr Woodruff Mr Wood

Ms Dow (Teller) Mrs Alexander (Teller)

PAIRS

Ms O'Byrne Mr Ellis

SPEAKER GIVES CASTING VOTE. – The Speaker said: 'The numbers being equal, in accordance with Standing Order 167 I cast my vote with the Noes.'

So it passed in the Negative.

- SUSPENSION OF SITTING. At One o'clock, the Speaker left the Chair. At half-past Two o'clock the Speaker resumed the Chair.
- 24 APPROPRIATION BILLS (NUMBERS 1 AND 2) 2022: ALLOTMENT OF TIME FOR DEBATE AND ESTABLISHMENT OF ESTIMATES COMMITTEES. And the Main Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

- **25** ATTENDANCE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR BUDGET PROCEEDINGS. *Resolved*, That the House of Assembly requests that:-
 - (1) All Members of the Legislative Council attend in the House of Assembly Chamber following the First reading of the Appropriation Bills (No. 1 and No. 2) 2022 for the purpose of listening to the speech by the Treasurer in relation to the Tasmanian Budget 2022-23.
 - (2) The Legislative Council give leave to the Honourable the Minister for Primary Industries and Water, Minister for Disability Services and Minister for Women, to appear before, and give evidence to, the relevant Estimates Committee of the House of Assembly in relation to the Budget Estimates and related documents. (The Minister for Hospitality and Events)
- **26** ATTENDANCE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR BUDGET PROCEEDINGS. A Message to the Legislative Council. –

MR PRESIDENT

The House of Assembly having passed the following Resolution begs now to transmit the same to the Legislative Council and to request its concurrence therein: -

The House of Assembly requests that:-

- (1) All Members of the Legislative Council attend in the House of Assembly Chamber following the First reading of the Appropriation Bills (No. 1 and No. 2) 2022 for the purpose of listening to the speech by the Treasurer in relation to the Tasmanian Budget 2022-23.
- (2) The Legislative Council give leave to the Honourable the Minister for Primary Industries and Water, Minister for Disability Services and Minister for Women to appear before and give evidence to, the relevant Estimates Committee of the House of Assembly in relation to the Budget Estimates and related documents.

House of Assembly, 24 May 2022.

MARK SHELTON, Speaker.

27 MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE: AMBULANCE RESPONSE TIMES. – Ms *Dow*, in accordance with Standing Orders, moved - That the House take note of the following matter:

Ambulance Response Times.

And the Question being proposed;

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

BILL NO. 18. - The Duties Amendment Bill 2022 was, according to Order, read the Second time, and in accordance with Standing Orders, there being no Member wishing to speak to the Clauses in the Committee of the whole House;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the Third time.

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

29 BILL NO. 18. - 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 Duties Act 2001",

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

House of Assembly, 24 May 2022.

MARK SHELTON, Speaker.

30 BILL NO. 17. - The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of the Land Tax Amendment (Foreign Investors) Bill 2022.

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

A Debate arose thereupon.

- 31 SITTING TIMES. *Ordered*, Pursuant to Sessional Order 18A, that for this day's sitting the House not stand adjourned at Six o'clock and that the House continue to sit past Six o'clock (The Minister for Hospitality and Events)
- 32 BILL NO. 17. And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put;

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Bill was accordingly, read the Second time, and in accordance with Standing orders, there being no Member wishing to speak to the Clauses in the Committee of the whole House;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the Third time.

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

33 BILL NO. 17. - 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 Land Tax Act 2000",

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

House of Assembly, 24 May 2022.

MARK SHELTON, Speaker.

34 BILL NO. 16. - The Land Tax Rating Amendment (Foreign Investors) Bill 2022 was, according to Order, read the Second time, and in accordance with Standing Orders, there being no Member wishing to speak to the Clauses in the Committee of the whole House;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the Third time.

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

35 BILL NO. 16. - 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 Land Tax Rating Act 2000",

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

House of Assembly, 24 May 2022.

MARK SHELTON, Speaker.

36 BILL NO. 15. - The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on Thursday, 5 May 2022 - That the Police Offences Amendment (Workplace Protection) Bill 2022 be now read the Second time.

To which the following Amendment has been proposed by Ms *O'Connor* by leaving out all words after the words "That" and inserting instead the following words:

"(1) The Police Offences Amendment (Workplace Protection) Bill 2022 be referred to a Select Committee of the House of Assembly for investigation and report thereon.

- (2) The Committee shall have the power to send for persons, papers and records, to inquire into and report upon:
 - (a) the Police Offences Amendment (Workplace Protection) Bill 2022 (No. 15); and (b) other matters incidental thereto.
- (3) The Committee shall consist of six (6) members, being two (2) from the Government nominated by the Leader of the House; two (2) from the Opposition nominated by the Leader of the Opposition; one (1) from the Tasmanian Greens nominated by the Leader of the Tasmanian Greens; and the Independent Member for Clark.
- (4) The Committee report by 1 November 2022."

And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

The House divided.

AYES 3	NOES 18
Ms Johnston	Ms Archer
Ms O'Connor	Mr Barnett
Dr Woodruff (Teller)	Dr Broad
	Ms Butler
	Ms Dow
	Mr Ferguson
	Ms Finlay
	Ms Haddad
	Mr Jaensch
	Mr O'Byrne
	Mrs Petrusma
	Mr Rockliff
	Mr Street
	Mr Tucker
	Ms White
	Mr Winter
	Mr Wood

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Mrs Alexander (Teller)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

AYES 18 NOES 3

Mrs AlexanderMs JohnstonMs ArcherMs O'ConnorMr BarnettDr Woodruff (Teller)

Dr Broad Ms Butler Ms Dow

Mr Ferguson Ms Finlay

Ms Haddad

Mr Jaensch Mr O'Byrne

Mrs Petrusma

Mr Rockliff

Mr Shelton

Mr Street Ms White

Mr Winter

Mr Wood (Teller)

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

37 BILL NO. 15. – INSTRUCTION TO COMMITTEE. – A Motion being made and the Question being proposed – That pursuant to Standing Order 279, the Committee of the Whole House be instructed to consider provision for the necessary amendments to the Police Offences Act 1935 in respect of matters relating to the offence of begging. (Ms *O'Connor*)

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

It passed in the Negative.

38 ADJOURNMENT. - A Motion being made - That the House do now adjourn (The Minister for Hospitality and Events)

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

The House adjourned at eleven minutes past Eight o'clock.

SHANE DONNELLY, Clerk of the House.

MEMBERS. - All present during the day except Mr Ellis.

The Minister for Primary Industries and Water, Minister for Disability Services and Minister for Women attended Question Time.