

## HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

SESSION OF 2022

(THIRD SESSION OF THE FIFTIETH PARLIAMENT)

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

### No. 3

### THURSDAY, 18 AUGUST 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 PAPERS. – The Premier laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Tasmanian Health Service 2022-23 Service Plan.

6 PAPERS. – The Deputy Premier laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Report on the State of the Tasmanian Water and Sewerage Industry 2020-21.

7 PAPERS. – The Clerk of the House laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Parliamentary (Disclosure of Interests) Act 1996: Primary Return for the Honourable Member for Franklin, Mr *Young*.

**8** MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE: MINISTERIAL STANDARDS. – Ms *O'Connor* in accordance with Standing Orders, moved - That the House take note of the following matter:

Ministerial Standards.

And the Question being proposed;

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

**9** BILL NO. 35. - The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of the Homes Tasmania Bill 2022.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed - That the Bill be now read the Second time. (The Minister for State Development, Construction and Housing)

A Debate arose thereupon.

10 SUSPENSION OF SITTING. - At One o'clock the Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past Two o'clock the Speaker resumed the Chair.

11 BILL NO. 35. - And the Question being again proposed;

The House resumed the Debate.

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

#### (In the Committee)

The Chair of Committees took the Chair.

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3 read.

Amendment proposed (Ms O'Connor)

Page 8, before proposed paragraph (a).

Insert the following paragraphs:

- (A) to decrease the proportion of Tasmanians experiencing housing stress or homelessness;
- (B) to achieve housing equity for Tasmanian Aboriginal people;
- (C) to improve the safety and wellbeing of women and children escaping family violence;

Mrs Alexander took the Chair.

Amendment to Clause 3 further considered.

Question put - That the Amendment be agreed to;

It passed in the Negative.

Clause 3, as read, further considered.

Amendment proposed (Ms O'Connor)

Page 8, proposed paragraph (a).

Leave out "increase the opportunities for".

Insert instead "enable".

Question put - That the Amendment be agreed to;

It passed in the Negative

Clause 3, as read, agreed to.

Clauses 4 to 5 agreed to.

Clause 6 read.

Amendment proposed (Ms O'Connor)

Page 23, proposed subsections (5) and (6).

Leave out the subsections.

Insert instead the following subsections -

- "(5) Homes Tasmania may, by notice to a person, require a person to provide to Homes Tasmania, within a reasonable period specified in the notice, evidence as to whether the person is an eligible person.
- (6) If a person, after having been given a notice under subsection (5), fails, within the period specified in the notice, to provide to Homes Tasmania evidence that the person is an eligible person, Homes Tasmania may, in its discretion, assume that the person is not an eligible person, unless there is evidence before Homes Tasmania that there were reasonable grounds for the failure."

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause 6, as read, agreed to.

Clauses 7 to 9 agreed to.

Clause 10 read.

Amendment proposed (Ms O'Connor)

Page 27, proposed subsection (2), before paragraph (a).

Insert the following paragraph:

(A) all tenants under this Act should be protected under the *Residential Tenancy Act 1997*;

Question put - That the Amendment be agreed to;

It passed in the Negative.

Clause 10, as read, further considered.

Amendment proposed (Ms O'Connor)

Page 27, proposed subsection (2), paragraph (b), subparagraph (i).

Leave out the subparagraph.

Insert instead the following subparagraph:

"(i) to all persons in need of such assistance and services, with priority afforded to the persons most in need of such assistance and services;"

To report progress and ask leave to sit again.

The House being resumed, Mrs *Alexander* reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and had directed her to ask leave to sit again.

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

12 ADJOURNMENT. - The time being Six o'clock, the Speaker proposed - That the House do now adjourn and called for issues to be raised;

The House adjourned at sixteen minutes past Six o'clock.

SHANE DONNELLY, Clerk of the House.

MEMBERS. - All present during the day.

The Minister for Primary Industries and Water, Minister for Disability Services, Minister for Women and Minister for the Prevention of Family Violence attended Question Time.