# TASMANIA

# **HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

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(THIRD SESSION OF THE FIFTIETH PARLIAMENT)

# NOTICES OF MOTION

No. 2

### WEDNESDAY, 24 AUGUST 2022

## **Notices of Motion**

- 1 The Attorney-General to move—That the House:—
  - (1) Notes:—
    - (a) the positive effect that the Australian Building and Construction Commission (ABCC) has had on enforcing the rule of law on Tasmanian building sites;
    - (b) that abolishing the ABCC will have flow-on effects that will drive up the cost of housing and construction for families at a time when the industry is already facing increased pricing pressure due to supply chain issues from the fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic and other global activity;
    - (c) that abolishing the ABCC will result in a return to widespread anticompetitive, abusive, and threatening behaviour on building sites. Over the last two years alone, the ABCC has successfully prosecuted construction unions with fines totalling \$5.7 million for these types of unlawful behaviour; and
    - (d) that abolishing the ABCC will weaken the strong Tasmanian building and construction industry which has been vital to our nation-leading economy over the last few years.
  - (2) Calls on Tasmanian Labor to urge their Federal Labor colleagues in government to resist the payback to the CFMEU who supported them with \$5 million in donations over the last three years, and to not abolish the ABCC. (16 August 2022)
- 2 The Minister for Veterans' Affairs to move—That the House:—
  - (1) Recognises that 18 August 2022 is Vietnam Veterans Day, an annual day of remembrance for those who served during the Vietnam War.
  - (2) Notes:—
    - (a) that this day, originally known as Long Tan Day, commemorates the day in 1966 when the battle of Long Tan was fought by the men of D Company, 6th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment (6RAR); and
    - (b) that this day, first commemorated in 1969 with the raising of a cross at the battlefield by the men of 6RAR, has since been adopted to cover all veterans who served in the Vietnam War—the longest conflict in Australia's history.
  - (3) Pays tribute to the almost 60,000 Australians who served in Vietnam between May 1962 and April 1975, including 521 who paid the ultimate price and more than 3,000 who were wounded.
  - (4) Acknowledges the service of the approximately 1,800 Tasmanians who served in Vietnam, including 16 Tasmanian born soldiers who died in their country's service.
  - (5) Further notes commemorative service and wreath-laying ceremonies will be held across Tasmania to mark the event, and thanks all the members of the VVAA Tasmania, including State President Terry Roe, for their efforts in supporting Vietnam veterans across the State over the years.
  - (6) Honours the service and sacrifice of all those who fought for freedom in this conflict and remembers the motto of the VVAA: "Honour the Dead but Fight like Hell for the Living." (16 August 2022)

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- The Minister for Veterans' Affairs to move—That the House:—
  - (1) Notes:—
    - (a) the important role the Deloraine Community Big Band play in their community by providing opportunities to locals to follow their musical passion; and
    - (b) the Tasmanian Government supported the Big Band to upgrade their PA system and purchase a new 24 track mixing desk and drum kit;
  - (2) Recognises Cameron Scott, Stuart and Anne Harvey and the big band members for their hard work and commitment to their community;
  - (3) Celebrates that community groups such as the Big Band demonstrate how community spirit is alive and well in Deloraine and acknowledges that these groups are an integral part of rural and regional communities. (16 August 2022)

#### 5 Ms O'Connor to move:—

- (1) Pursuant to section 18(1A) of the 'Nature Conservation Act 2002', the House does not approve:—
  - (a) the 'Nature Conservation Act 2002: Proclamation Under Section 11(2) (Borradaile Regional Reserve Central Plateau Conservation Area Dove River Regional Reserve February Plains Regional Reserve Mole Creek Karst National Park Mersey River Conservation Area)', laid upon the Table of the House on Thursday 2 June 2022; and
  - (b) the 'Nature Conservation Act 2002: Proclamation Under Section 11(2) (Dogs Head Hill Regional Reserve Great Western Tiers Conservation Area Great Western Tiers Conservation Area Liffey Conservation Area Southwest Conservation Area Stringybark Conservation Area)' laid upon the Table of the House on Thursday 2 June 2022.
- (2) Calls on the Tasmanian Government to:—
  - (a) in consultation with the Tasmanian Aboriginal people and stakeholders, develop reserve class tenures for Aboriginal-owned and managed protected areas, as recommended in the Pathway to Truth-Telling and Treaty report;
  - (b) respond to the formal land return claim made by the Aboriginal Land Council of Tasmania (ALCT) in respect of the proposed 'kooparoona niara' National Park, by returning these lands to Aboriginal ownership and establishing the 'kooparoona niara' National Park under the new reserve tenure: and
  - (c) reconsider the proposed tenure classification for the proposed Southwest Conservation Area and Stringybark Conservation Area, with a view to the consolidation of these lands in the Southwest National Park. (16 August 2022)

## **6** Ms *O'Connor* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Supports the findings and recommendations of the Tasmanian Law Reform Institute's (TLRI) report on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Conversion Practices.
- (2) Notes the report makes it clear that conversion practices currently occur in Tasmania.
- (3) Agrees that conversion practices are harmful and unscientific, and their practice in Tasmania is a matter of grave concern.
- (4) Further notes:—
  - (a) that members have received an open letter from medical practitioners to Members of the Tasmanian Parliament regarding conversion practices, decrying these practices as "unscientific, unethical and deeply harmful".
  - (b) that TasCOSS, Equality Tasmania and Working it Out have called for legislation to be enacted in Tasmania which affirms LGBTQA+ identities, bans conversion practices for all and provides support to survivors. and
  - (c) the Premier Hon Jeremy Rockliff MP has committed to introducing legislation to Parliament that gives effect to the recommendations of the TLRI report.
- (5) Congratulates the Premier for taking leadership on this issue, and calls on the Rockliff Government to progress the reforms recommended by the TLRI as a priority for the Parliament. (16 August 2022)

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## 7 Ms *Dow* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that:—
  - (a) Tasmania has the worst ambulance response times in the country; and
  - (b) these response times have blown out by 30% under the Liberal Government;
  - (c) sadly Tasmanians are dying waiting for an ambulance; and
  - recently a Hobart man died after waiting four hours and 15 minutes for an ambulance, a woman in the state's north died after being ramped for over nine hours, and a man also in the north died after waiting seven hours for an ambulance.
- (3) Acknowledges that:—
  - (a) a resilience scan of Ambulance Tasmania staff showed an extraordinary number of staff are suffering mental health conditions and self-medicating;
  - (b) Paramedics in this country have one of the highest rates of suicide of any profession;
  - (c) Paramedics and volunteer ambulance officers in Tasmania are under unprecedented pressure with regularly unfilled shifts, fatigue alerts and a lack of resources; and
  - (d) Paramedics have been left with no other choice but to commence industrial action.
- (4) Calls on the Premier to provide increased funding to ensure:—
  - (a) our paramedics are paid appropriate wages;
  - (b) improved conditions;
  - (c) Paramedics and volunteers are given better resources and mental health support; and
  - (d) the Government has a properly resourced plan to fix ambulance ramping across the State. (16 August 2022)

#### 8 Ms *Dow* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Acknowledges that:—
  - (a) the current Burnie Court site is not fit for purpose;
  - (b) at the 2018 state election the Liberal and Labor parties committed \$15 million to redevelop the Burnie Court on the current site;
  - (c) in 2020 the Liberal Government announced it was relocating the court to the old University of Tasmania campus in a residential and educational precinct in West Burnie; and
  - (d) the Labor party at the 2021 state election committed to redeveloping the current site or to rebuild the Burnie Court on another site in the Burnie CBD.
- (2) Notes:—
  - (a) there has been no consultation with local residents about the relocation of the Court to their neighbourhood;
  - (b) the ongoing concerns raised by business, the community and Council;
  - (c) the ongoing concerns raised by the Law Society;
  - (d) the Government's recent announcement of three potential Court Complex sites in the Burnie CBD; and
  - (e) the project has now blown out to \$40 million.
- (4) Further notes 50,000 people visit the current court complex each year.
- (5) Calls on the Premier, Hon. Jeremy Rockliff MP, to rule out once and for all the relocation of the Burnie Court Complex to Mooreville Rd and announce the successful CBD site. (16 August 2022)

#### 10 Ms Butler 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 Consumer and Building Sector Protections of the Tasmanian Building and Construction Industry, including:—
  - (a) the provision of free, independent advocacy and advice services for Tasmanian consumers building their homes;
  - (b) material costs, trade and supply challenges;
  - (c) the adequacy of Consumer Business Occupational Services (CBOS) as Tasmania's building and consumer regulator;
  - (d) personal experiences that could inform consideration of any of the above; and

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- other matters incidental thereto. (e)
- (2)
- The Committee shall consist of 5 Members, being:—
  (a) two from the Government nominated by the Leader of the House;
  - *(b)* Dr Broad;
  - (c) Ms Johnston; and
  - (*d*) the Mover.
- (3) The Committee report by 9 March 2023 next. (17 August 2022)

SHANE DONNELLY, Clerk of the House