



**HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**  
**SESSION OF 2024 - 2025**  
(FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT)  

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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 42

THURSDAY, 3 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 **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 Deputy Premier laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

State Grants Commission Tasmania: 2023-34 Annual Report (including 2024-25 Financial Assistance Grants Recommendations) November 2024.

- 7 **PAPERS.** – The Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Poisons Act 1971: Poisons (Interim Authorisation) Order (No. 2) 2024 (Statutory Rules 2024, No. 80)

- 8 **BILL NO. 1.** - A Message from the Legislative Council -

HONOURABLE SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed, without Request and without Amendment, to a Bill, intituled - "A Bill for an Act for the appropriation of \$467 512 000 out of the Public Account for the services of the Government for the financial year ending on 30 June 2025",

now returns the same to the House of Assembly.

*Legislative Council, 3 April 2025.*

*C.M. FARRELL, President.*

- 9 **BILL NO. 8.** - A Message from the Legislative Council -

HONOURABLE SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having passed a Bill intituled –

"A Bill for an Act to amend certain Acts and other legislation and provide for matters of a transitional nature consequent on the enactment of the Disability Rights, Inclusion and Safeguarding Act 2024",

presents the same to the House of Assembly, and requests its concurrence therein.

*Legislative Council, 3 April 2025.*

C.M. FARRELL, *President.*

*Ordered,* That the Bill be now read the First time.

And the Bill was, accordingly, read the First Time and made an Order of the Day for tomorrow.

**10** BILL NO. 13. – Mr *Bayley* presented -

“A Bill for an Act to amend the Residential Tenancy Act 1997 for the purposes of abolishing no cause evictions”.

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

**11** LEAVE TO MAKE MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE. – A Motion being made and the Question being proposed – That Dr *Woodruff* have leave to make a Motion without Notice. (Dr *Woodruff*)

The House divided.

AYES 21

Mr *Abetz*  
Ms *Badger*  
Mr *Barnett*  
Mr *Bayley*  
Mr *Behrakis*  
Mr *Ellis*  
Mr *Fairs*  
Mr *Ferguson*  
Mr *Garland*  
Ms *Howlett*  
Mr *Jaensch*  
Mr *Jenner*  
Ms *Johnston*  
Mr *O’Byrne*  
Ms *Ogilvie*  
Mrs *Petrusma*  
Mr *Rockliff*  
Ms *Rosol*  
Mr *Street*  
Dr *Woodruff*  
Ms *Burnet* (Teller)

NOES 9

Mrs *Beswick*  
Ms *Brown*  
Ms *Dow*  
Ms *Finlay*  
Ms *Haddad*  
Mrs *Pentland*  
Mr *Willie*  
Mr *Winter*  
Ms *Butler* (Teller)

PAIRS

Mr *Shelton*  
Mr *Wood*

Dr *Broad*  
Mr *Farrell*

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

**12** SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS. – A Motion being made and the Question being proposed - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the following motion from being brought on for debate forthwith.

That the House censures *Dean Winter* MP on the following grounds:

- (1) Since abandoning Labor’s opposition to the stadium after the 2024 election, Mr *Winter* has consistently said that the stadium’s cost to the State needs to not exceed \$375 million, and that Labor will scrutinise the stadium in detail and hold the Government to account.
- (2) Subsequently Mr *Winter* called for the Government to fast-track approving the stadium before the State Budget, bypassing current assessment and scrutiny processes.

- (3) Mr *Winter* has now made it clear that Labor will vote to approve the stadium regardless of the cost to the Tasmanian taxpayers, the impacts on the city, and without any credible planning assessment that involves community engagement.
- (4) Mr *Winter* has betrayed his Party's commitments during the 2024 election, his subsequent commitments to the people of Tasmania, as well as his responsibilities as Leader of the Opposition. (Dr *Woodruff*)

A Debate arose thereupon.

**13** MEMBERS SUSPENDED. – In accordance with Standing Order 149, the Speaker directed the Honourable Member for Clark, Mr *Willie* and the Honourable Member for Franklin, Dr *Woodruff*, to withdraw from the House for the remainder of the debate owing to repeated interjections.

**14** SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS – And the Question being put;

The House divided.

**AYES 6**

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

**NOES 24**

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

So it passed in the Negative.

**15** MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE: MACQUARIE POINT MULTIPURPOSE STADIUM. – Mr *O'Byrne* in accordance with Standing Orders, moved - That the House take note of the following matter:

Macquarie Point Multipurpose Stadium.

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

**17** MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE: MACQUARIE POINT MULTIPURPOSE STADIUM. – And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

**18** LEAVE TO MAKE MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE. - *Ordered*, That the Minister for Justice have leave to make a Motion without Notice. (The Minister for Justice)

**19** SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS. - *Ordered* - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the following item of Private Members' Business from being dealt with during Government Business Time:

Order of the Day Number 12 – Family Violence Amendment Bill 2024 (Bill No. 51) – Consideration of Amendments of the Legislative Council. (The Minister for Justice)

**20** BILL NO. 51 of 2024. - The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Family Violence Amendment Bill 2024.

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(In the Committee)

Mr *Behrakis* took the Chair.

Amendment

Clause 5

Page 5, proposed new section 34, subsection (2), paragraph (a), subparagraph (iii).

*Leave out* that subparagraph.

Amendment agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

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The House being resumed, Mr *Behrakis* reported that the Committee had considered the Amendment to it referred, and had come to a certain Resolution which was read as follows:-

To agree to the Amendments of the Legislative Council.

*Resolved*, That the said Resolution be agreed to. (Ms *Johnston*)

**21** BILL NO. 51 of 2024. - A Message to the Legislative Council:-

MR PRESIDENT

The House of Assembly doth agree to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill intituled-

“A Bill for an Act to amend the Family Violence Act 2004”.

*House of Assembly, 3 April 2025.*

MICHELLE O'BYRNE, *Speaker.*

**22** BILL NO. 10. - The Justice Miscellaneous (Reporting Procedures) Bill 2025 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.

**23** BILL NO. 10. - 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 Magistrates Court Act 1987, the Registration to Work with Vulnerable People Act 2013 and the Supreme Court Civil Procedure Act 1932”,

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

**24** BILL NO. 45 of 2024. - The Justice and Related Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2024 was, according to Order, 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.

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(In the Committee)

Mr *Behrakis* took the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 4 agreed to.

Clause 5 read.

A Debate arose thereupon.

To report progress and ask leave to sit again.

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

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

**25** ADJOURNMENT.— The time being Five o'clock, the Speaker proposed - That the House do now adjourn and called for issues to be raised.

**26** PAPERS. – The Minister for Transport laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Department of Premier and Cabinet, Information and Technology Services – Working@DPAC, Managing your info, Information Management Policy, March 2025.

**27** ADJOURNMENT. – And the Question being put;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House adjourned at forty-two minutes past Five o'clock.

LAURA ROSS, *Clerk of the House*.

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MEMBERS. - All present during the day except Dr *Broad*, 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.