# TASMANIA

## **HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

**SESSION OF 2022** 

(THIRD SESSION OF THE FIFTIETH PARLIAMENT)

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 9

## THURSDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER 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 Papers:-
  - (1) Therapeutic Goods Act 2001: Therapeutic Goods Regulations 2022 (Statutory Rules 2022, No. 46).
  - (2) Health Act 1997: Health (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2022 (Statutory Rules 2022, No. 39).
  - (3) Poisons Act 1971:
    - (a) Poisons Amendment Regulations 2022 (Statutory Rules 2022, No. 54);
    - (b) Poisons Amendment (Miscellaneous) Regulations 2022 (Statutory Rules 2022, No. 45); and
    - (c) Poisons Amendment (Monitored Medicines) Regulations 2022 (Statutory Rules 2022, No. 28).
- 6 PAPERS. The Deputy Premier laid upon the Table of the House the following Papers:-

Gaming Control Act 1993:

- (a) Gaming Control Regulations 2022 (Statutory Rules 2022, No. 31); and
- (b) Gaming Control Amendment (Fees) Regulations 2022 (Statutory Rules 2022, No. 32).
- 7 SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION, JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON: REPORT BROUGHT UP. Ms *Finlay* brought up the following Report of the Joint Standing Committee on Subordinate Legislation:

Annual Report 2021-2022 (Paper No. 22).

Ordered, That the said Report be received. (Ms Finlay)

8 PAPERS. – The Attorney-General laid upon the Table of the House the following Paper:-

Government Business Enterprises Act 1995: Public Trustee Ministerial Charter July 2022.

9 MOTION FOR RESPECT REPORT. - A Message from the Legislative Council -

#### MR SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council has agreed to the following Resolution communicated to it by the House of Assembly on 6 September 2022—

Resolved, That the Legislative Council and the House of Assembly:

#### (1) Notes:

- (a) The Motion for Respect: Report into Workplace Culture in the Tasmanian Ministerial and Parliamentary Services report released on Monday 29 August 2022; and
- (b) That the Report provides 14 recommendations to improve workplace culture and processes, and ensure a shared responsibility for the varied workplaces covered by the Report;

### (2) Acknowledges:

- (a) Those who shared their experiences and apologises for the hurt and harm caused to them:
- (b) The need to improve workplace culture and processes in the workplaces covered by the Report;
- (c) That Tasmanians expect Members of Parliament and their offices to set the highest standards in workplace culture and accountability;
- (d) That staff employed in the workplaces covered by the Report are hard-working, dedicated and valued by Members of Parliament;
- (e) That the Report addresses a number of individual workplaces with respective needs and employment conditions; and
- (f) That each workplace must retain its individual rights to employ and manage staff, in line with best practice workplace policies, processes and procedures.

#### (3) Resolves:

- (a) That Members and staff employed in the workplaces covered by the Report have a right to a safe and inclusive work environment free from discrimination, bullying and sexual harassment; and
- (b) That best practice workplace policies, processes and procedures enable safe and respectful workplaces and contribute towards positive culture.

### (4) Supports:

- (a) The development and sharing of policies, procedures and frameworks, and relevant codes of conduct, that would ensure consistency across the workplaces covered in the Report; and
- (b) The provision of ongoing professional development and training to deliver a culture of continuous improvement.

## (5) Commits to:

(a) Ensuring oversight and accountability for the implementation of the recommendations accepted by the relevant employer.

And has filled up the blank with the words "Legislative Council and the".

Legislative Council, 7 September 2022.

C.M. FARRELL, President.

10 WORKPLACE CULTURE OVERSIGHT, JOINT SESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON. - A Message from the Legislative Council -

MR SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having taken into consideration the Message of the House of Assembly dated 6 September 2022 regarding the establishment of a Joint Sessional Workplace Culture Oversight Committee does agree to the establishment of the Joint Sessional Committee and further informs the House of Assembly it has resolved that —

The President; Ms Forrest; Mrs Hiscutt; and Ms Lovell

be appointed to serve on the Joint Sessional Committee on the part of the Council and that Tuesday, 27 September 2022 at 9.00 o'clock am be the time and the Committee Room No. 2 be the place for holding the first meeting of the Committee.

Legislative Council, 7 September 2022.

C.M. FARRELL, President.

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration forthwith. (The Minister Hospitality and Events)

Ordered, That the Members to serve on the Committee on the part of the House be:-

The Speaker;

The Premier;

Ms O'Connor; and

Ms White (The Minister for Hospitality and Events)

11 WORKPLACE CULTURE OVERSIGHT, JOINT SESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON. - A Message to the Legislative Council. -

# MR PRESIDENT

The House of Assembly has appointed the following Members to serve on the Joint Sessional Workplace Culture Oversight Committee on the part of the House –

The Speaker;

The Premier;

Ms O'Connor; and

Ms White.

House of Assembly, 8 September 2022.

MARK SHELTON, Speaker.

12 LEAVE TO MAKE MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE. – A Motion being made and the Question being proposed – That Ms *O'Connor* have leave to make a Motion without Notice. (Ms *O'Connor*)

A debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

AYES 11 NOES 11

Ms Butler Mrs Alexander Ms Finlay Ms Archer Ms Haddad Mr Barnett Ms Johnston Mr Ellis Mr O'Byrne Mr Jaensch Ms O'Byrne Ms Ogilvie Ms O'Connor Mr Rockliff Ms White Mr Shelton Mr Winter Mr Street Dr Woodruff Mr Wood

Dr Broad (Teller) Mr Young (Teller)

**PAIRS** 

Ms Dow Mr Ferguson

DEPUTY SPEAKER GIVES CASTING VOTE. – The Deputy 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.

- DEPUTY SPEAKER RULES. The Deputy Speaker ruled that, as the Matter of Public Importance which had been circulated for today was proposed to be moved by the Honourable Member for Lyons, Mr *Tucker* and the Speaker has not received written authority from Mr *Tucker* (pursuant to the applicable Standing Order, number 70) for Mr *Young* to take charge of the motion in his absence, the House will proceed to the next item of business, which is Government Business.
- BILL NO. 27. The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of the Occupational Licensing (Automatic Mutual Recognition Consequential Amendments) Bill 2022.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed - That the Bill be now read the Second time. (The Minister for Workplace Safety and Consumer Affairs)

A Debate arose thereupon.

- 15 SUSPENSION OF SITTING. At One o'clock the Speaker left the Chair. At half-past Two o'clock the Speaker resumed the Chair.
- BILL NO. 27. 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)

Mrs Alexander took the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 100 agreed to.

Title agreed to.
Bill to be reported without Amendment.

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The House being resumed, Mrs *Alexander* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed her to report the same to the House without Amendment.

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

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

17 BILL NO. 27. - 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 Architects Act 1929, the Conveyancing Act 2004, the Motor Vehicle Traders Act 2011, the Mutual Recognition (Tasmania) Act 1993, the Occupational Licensing Act 2005, the Property Agents and Land Transactions Act 2016 and the Security and Investigations Agents Act 2002",

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

House of Assembly, 8 September 2022.

MARK SHELTON, Speaker.

18 BILL NO. 30. - The Order of the Day being read for the Second reading of the Retail Leases Bill 2022.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed - That the Bill be now read the Second time. (The Minister for Workplace Safety and Consumer Affairs)

A Debate arose thereupon.

And Mr Young was addressing the Chair.

**19** 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 forty-seven 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.