



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SESSION OF 2024-2025

(FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT)

## NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

No. 49

Tuesday 3 June 2025

The Council meets at 11.00 am

### Notices of Motion

#### 1 National Driver Licence Facial Recognition Solution

Given by: Ms Webb

Date: 17 May 2024

To be moved:

- (1) That the Legislative Council notes:
  - (a) All Australian States and Territories agreed in October 2017, under an Intergovernmental Agreement, to participate in the Commonwealth Government's National Driver Licence Facial Recognition Solution (NDLFRS),
  - (b) On 31 July 2019, the Identity-matching Services Bill 2019 was introduced into the Federal Parliament to establish legislative biometrics matching scheme for the NDLFRS, but was subsequently withdrawn following concerns raised by a variety of legal, privacy and human rights experts, and criticisms from the relevant Federal parliamentary committee,
  - (c) Interstate jurisdictions determined they would not share data via the NDLFRS until the Commonwealth laws are in place.
  - (d) That based upon data provided by government a total of 468,392 Tasmanian drivers licence photos were transferred to the NDLFRS between December 2018 and 16 December 2020, without public consultation and despite the absence of Commonwealth legislation to regulate the NDLFRS and provide privacy protections and oversight mechanisms,
  - (e) The statement provided to the Parliament from the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport dated the 28 October 2020, that the Tasmanian data uploaded to the NDLFRS will not be used until Commonwealth legislation is in place and relevant Tasmanian legislation reviewed, with the latter to occur in context of any eventual Commonwealth legislation,
  - (f) Tasmania paused the daily transfer of records to the NDLFRS on 16 December 2020.
- (2) That the Legislative Council calls on the Tasmanian government to:

- (a) Formally cease any current and future uploading of Tasmanians' records to the NDLFRS in the absence of appropriate Commonwealth privacy protection and oversight legislation,
- (b) Immediately establish a secure process by which to delete all uploaded Tasmanian drivers licence photos from the NDLFRS, and
- (c) Commit to undertaking thorough public consultation prior any future state participation in the NDLFRS should the required Commonwealth legislation be enacted.

## 2 Use of Dry Cells by the Tasmanian Prison Service

Given by: Ms Webb

Date: 8 August 2024

To be moved:

That the Legislative Council:

- (1) Notes the Office of the Custodial Inspector Tasmania's *Inhumane Treatment in dry cells – review report 2024* (the Report), published on Tuesday 6 August this year,
- (2) Acknowledges the Report states dry cells present a serious risk to human rights in custodial environments, and that the Office of Custodial Inspector's review has confirmed this risk has "*manifested into inhumane treatment in dry cells here in Tasmania,*" and further, "*changes to dry cell regimes are required to improve the treatment of people in custody or preferably, the use of dry cells needs to cease*",
- (3) Further notes the Report's three key recommendations:
  - (a) Director's Standing Order (DSO) 1.40 Managing Prisoners Suspected of Internally Concealing Items be reviewed to determine if it is necessary, considering the introduction of body scanners, and if the DSO and dry cells remain necessary, the DSO is revised to prioritise the care and wellbeing of people in custody before security considerations,
  - (b) Training for TPS supervisors should include a dedicated unit on human rights standards for people deprived of their liberty,
  - (c) TPS undertake a review of the environmental health conditions for staff involved in monitoring dry cells, including: testing for any pathogens on the external surfaces of the machine used to process faeces; assessing any risks to staff and people in custody from potential airborne pathogens; and ensuring appropriate maintenance is undertaken on the machine and relevant staff have access to training material on its appropriate use,
- (4) Further notes Appendix 1 of the Report contains the Department of Justice's response to the Report's Recommendations which state the Director's Standing Order (DSO) 1.40 is currently under active review as part of the delivery of body scanning technology and the Astria digital solution, and that the Tasmanian Prison Service will consider whether dry cell management will remain a necessary approach as part of the DSO review, and subject to the outcome of that review, the exclusion of women from the DSO's operation will also be considered.

- (5) Further notes advice provided by the Minister for Corrections and Rehabilitation to the House of Assembly on Wednesday the 7 August 2024 of this year that installation of four of the five new body scanners is already underway.
- (6) Calls on the Tasmanian government to:
  - (a) Commit to accepting and delivering the Report's three recommendations in full,
  - (b) Implement an immediate moratorium on the use of dry cells in any facility in which body scanning technology is available, pending the conclusion of the DSO 1.40 review currently underway,
  - (c) Immediately prohibit the inclusion of women in the use of dry cells, and
  - (d) Detail a timeframe for the delivery and implementation of any remaining recommendations still to be undertaken and completed.

**3 Disallowance of *Residential Tenancy Amendment Regulations 2024***

Given by: Ms O'Connor

Date: 12 September 2024

To be moved:

That Statutory Rules 2024, No. 31, Residential Tenancy Amendment Regulations 2024 dated 9 July 2024 made under the *Residential Tenancy Act 1997*, and laid upon the Table of the Council on 2 August 2024, be disallowed as provided by Section 47 of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1931*.

**4 Integrity Commission Annual Report 2023-24**

Given by: Ms O'Connor

Date: 21 October 2024

To be moved:

That the Integrity Commission Annual Report 2023-24, and recent public statements of Chief Commissioner Greg Melick, AO SC, be considered and noted.

**5 Office of the Custodial Inspector Annual Report 2023-24**

Given by: Ms Webb

Date: 23 October 2024

To be moved:

That the Office of the Custodial Inspector Annual Report 2023-24, and recent public statements of Custodial Inspector Richard Connock, be considered and noted.

**6 Appointment of Select Committee into the Tasmanian Racing Deed**

Given by: Ms O'Connor

Date: 28 November 2024

To be moved:

That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, with leave to sit during an adjournment of Council, and with leave to adjourn from place to place, to

inquire into and report upon the 20-year funding deed established following the sale of the TOTE in 2009 (the Tasmanian Racing Deed), with particular reference to:

- (1) The social, animal welfare, economic, and other impacts of the Tasmanian Racing Deed,
- (2) Integrity in the Tasmanian racing industry,
- (3) The future of the Deed following its expiry in 2029,
- (4) Any matters incidental thereto.

And that —

Mr *Gaffney*;

Ms *Rattray*;

Mr *Edmunds*;

Ms *Webb*; and

The Mover be of the Committee.

## **7 Deaths and Injuries from Quad Bikes or ATV use in Tasmania**

Given by: Ms *O'Connor*

Date: 11 March 2025

To be moved:

That the Legislative Council:

- (1) Notes with concern the high rate of deaths and injuries from quad bike or ATV use in Tasmania, with more than 20 deaths since the year 2000.
- (2) Further notes more than 1400 Australians are seriously injured in quad bike accidents each year.
- (3) Expresses its sincere condolences to grieving loved ones, including the devastated parents of 14-year old Jocelyn Daguman who died in an ATV accident at Boyer in February 2023.
- (4) Recognises the findings of both Coroner Cooper in 2017 and Coroner Webster in 2024, who recommended stronger regulation of quad bike use to save lives.
- (5) Agrees with Coroner Cooper's recommendations, following his investigation into seven quad bike deaths between 2012-2015, to provide for increased community education promoting the use of helmets and seatbelts, and legislation that:
  - (a) Requires mandatory training and licensing of all persons using quad bikes,
  - (b) Prohibits children under the age of 16 from operating adult quad bikes,
  - (c) Prohibits children under the age of 16 from operating youth-sized quad bikes other than in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions,
  - (d) Prohibits children under the age of 6 from operating any quad bike under any circumstances.
- (6) Recognises there has been a substandard response to the Coroners' recommendations by the Rockliff Government.

- (7) Calls on the Rockliff Government to act to prevent such tragedies in the future and implement all the Coroners' recommendations to strengthen quad bike and ATV safety in Tasmania.

**8 Financing of Greyhound Racing in Tasmania**

Given by: Ms *O'Connor*

Date: 28 May 2025

To be moved:

That Saul Eslake's independent report 'The Financing of Greyhound Racing in Tasmania' be considered and noted.

## Orders of the Day

### General Business

- 1 Joint Sessional Committee inquiring into matters related to the recommendations made in the Final Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Tasmanian Government's response to child sexual abuse in institutional settings [Interim Report](#)**  
Mover: Ms Forrest  
Date: Report tabled and made an Order of the Day on 23 October 2024  
Status: Report to be considered and noted
- 2 Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts Report: [Follow-up of Auditor-General Report No.2 of 2015-16 – Capital Works Programming and Management](#)**  
Mover: Ms Forrest  
Date: Report tabled and made an Order of the Day on 28 November 2024  
Status: Report to be considered and noted
- 3 Government Administration Committee B Report: [Short Inquiry Process into Homes Tasmania](#)**  
Mover: Ms Rattray  
Date: Report tabled and made an Order of the Day on 12 March 2025  
Status: Report to be considered and noted
- 4 Government Administration Committee B Report: [Inquiry into Tasmanian Adult Imprisonment and Youth Detention Matters](#)**  
Mover: Ms Rattray  
Date: Report tabled and made an Order of the Day on 2 April 2025  
Status: Report to be considered and noted
- 5 [Custodial Inspector Amendment \(Protection from Reprisal\) Bill 2025 \(Bill No. 9\)](#)**  
Mover: Ms O'Connor  
Date: Read a First time on 3 April 2025  
Status: Awaiting Second reading
- 6 Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts Report: [Tasmanian Government's Proposed Hobart Arts Entertainment and Sports Precinct Planning Process](#)**  
Mover: Ms Forrest  
Date: Report tabled and made an Order of the Day on 27 May 2025  
Status: Report to be considered and noted
- 7 [Charter of Budget Responsibility Amendment Bill 2025 \(Bill No. 23\)](#)**  
Mover: Ms Lovell  
Date: Read a First time on 29 May 2025  
Status: Awaiting Second reading

## Government Business

- 8**     [Defamation Amendment Bill 2024 \(Bill No. 42\)](#)  
Mover:        Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date:         Reported without amendment by the Committee of the Whole Council on  
                  29 May 2025  
Status:        Awaiting Third reading
- 9**     [Justice Miscellaneous \(Reporting Procedures\) Bill 2025 \(Bill No. 10\)](#)  
Mover:        Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date:         Reported without amendment by the Committee of the Whole Council on  
                  29 May 2025  
Status:        Awaiting Third reading
- 10**    [Evidence \(Children and Special Witnesses\) Amendment Bill 2025 \(Bill No. 15\)](#)  
Mover:        Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date:         Reported without amendment by the Committee of the Whole Council on  
                  29 May 2025  
Status:        Awaiting Third reading
- 11**    **Budget Papers and Appropriation Bills (No. 1 and 2) 2025**  
Mover:        Mr *Vincent*  
Date:         Debate adjourned on 29 May 2025 (Mr *Vincent*)  
Status:        Adjourned Debate on the Question — That the Budget Papers and Appropriation  
                  Bills (No. 1 and 2) 2025 be noted  
Spoken:       Mr *Vincent*
- 12**    [Youth Justice Facility Development Bill 2025 \(Bill No. 19\)](#)  
Mover:        Ms *Palmer*  
Date:         Read a First time on 28 May 2025  
Status:        Awaiting Second reading
- 13**    [Justice and Related Legislation \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Bill \(No.2\) 2024 \(Bill No. 45\)](#)  
Mover:        Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date:         Second reading debate adjourned on 29 May 2025 (Mr *Vincent*)  
Status:        Awaiting resumption of Second reading debate
- 14**    [Justice and Related Legislation \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Bill 2025 \(Bill No. 14\)](#)  
Mover:        Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date:         Read a First time on 9 May 2025  
Status:        Awaiting Second reading
- 15**    [University of Tasmania \(Protection of Land\) Bill 2024 \(Bill No. 31\)](#)  
Mover:        Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date:         Read a First time on 11 March 2025  
Status:        Awaiting Second reading

**16 [Expungement of Historic Offences Amendment Bill 2024 \(Bill No. 35\)](#)**

Mover: Ms *Palmer*  
Date: Second reading debate adjourned on 20 November 2024  
Status: On 20 November 2024 the Bill was referred to the Joint Sessional Committee on Gender and Equality for consideration and report; the Committee [reported](#) on 12 March 2025. Awaiting resumption of Second reading debate  
Spoken: Ms *Palmer*, Ms *Forrest*

**17 [Police Offences Amendment Bill 2025 \(Bill No. 7\)](#)**

Mover: Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date: Read a First time on 8 April 2025  
Status: Awaiting Second reading

**18 [Charities and Associations Law \(Miscellaneous\) Amendment Bill 2024 \(Bill No. 43\)](#)**

Mover: Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date: Read a First time on 27 November 2024  
Status: Awaiting Second reading

**19 [Tasmanian Community Fund Amendment Bill 2024 \(Bill No. 54\)](#)**

Mover: Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date: Read a First time on 9 May 2025  
Status: Awaiting Second reading

**20 [Superannuation Liability \(GST Windfall Fund\) Bill 2025 \(Bill No. 17\)](#)**

Mover: Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date: Read a First time on 9 May 2025  
Status: Awaiting Second reading

**21 [Residential Tenancy Amendment Bill 2024 \(Bill No. 27\)](#)**

Mover: Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date: Read a First time on 2 April 2025  
Status: Awaiting Second reading

**Referred to Committee**

**22 [Electoral Amendment Bill 2024 \(Bill No. 25\)](#)**

Mover: Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date: Second reading debate adjourned on 23 October 2024  
Status: On 23 October 2024 the Bill was referred to Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters for [consideration and report](#); Awaiting Report and resumption of Second reading debate  
Spoken: Mrs *Hiscutt*, Ms *Forrest*, Ms *Rattray*, Ms *Lovell*, Ms *Armitage*, Ms *O'Connor*, Ms *Thomas*, Mr *Harriss*, Ms *Webb*, Mrs *Hiscutt*



## Bill *Pro forma* (Pursuant to Standing Order 6)<sup>1</sup>

### 23 Partition Amendment Bill 2024 (Bill No. 2)

Mover: Mrs *Hiscutt*  
Date: Introduced on 14 May 2024  
Status: Read a First time

C.L. VICKERS, Clerk of the Council

## Awaiting Government Response

### Questions on Notice

### 24 Implementation of the Tasmanian Salmon Industry Plan

Asked by: Ms *Webb*  
To: Leader of the Government  
Date: 11 March 2025

Question:

In relation to the implementation of the Tasmanian Salmon Industry Plan released in May 2023, can the Government please:

- (1) Clarify which Minister has single point accountability for delivery of the Salmon Plan? Or if multiple ministers are involved, then which Minister has responsibility for each line item of the Plan?
- (2) Provide a detailed progress report on the implementation of the Tasmanian Salmon Industry Plan, including whether the Near-term Priority Actions, which are set out in the Implementation Plan, will be completed as scheduled by May 2025?
- (3) Confirm that no Community Engagement Forums have been held, despite the Implementation Plan detailing their role, on page 8, that *‘These forums will ensure there is at least one engagement opportunity annually for communities in northern, southern and western Tasmania’*, and
  - (a) Explain when and where will these community forums be held, and
  - (b) Advise how community concerns and priorities will be sought for inclusion in the next stages of the Plan?
- (4) Detail how many meetings of the Salmon Industry Working Group have been held since the Industry Plan came into effect?
- (5) Detail the status of the new Salmon Plan website described on page 9 of the Implementation Plan *‘that will provide a gateway to the Plan and all related activities,*

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<sup>1</sup> Standing Order 6 provides that a *Pro forma* Bill is to be introduced at the start of each new Parliament. The introduction of such a Bill is a symbolic gesture in some Parliaments with a Westminster system and signifies Parliament’s independence from the direction of the Crown. The Bill does not progress past the First reading.

*including summary annual update reports on work undertaken on each of the strategic pathways and the activities of the SIWG and CEFs’?* Further, what improvements have been made to the Salmon Portal, and has the review of similar information systems overseas been undertaken?

- (6) Detail whether there has been any change in the listed medium-term priorities, and explain how community priorities will be addressed?

## **28 Payment of Government Members’ Private Legal Fees**

Asked by: Ms O’Connor

To: Leader of the Government

Date: 11 March 2025

Question:

With regard to payments made by the Government towards private legal fees of its Members, and using the same format by which previous data was provided to Legislative Council Estimates Committee B in September 2024, setting out the dates payments were made, the amount of each payment and whether the payment related to a Minister or other Member of the Government — how much has the Government paid in private legal fees relating to Ministers or Members of Government between 2 August 2024 and 1 March 2025?

## **29 Tatarka Review into Legal Assistance for State Servants in the Course of the Commission of Inquiry into the Tasmanian Government’s Responses to Child Sexual Abuse in Institutional Settings**

Asked by: Ms Webb

To: Leader of the Government

Date: 13 March 2025

Question:

In relation to the Independent Review undertaken by Mr Sam Tatarka OAM into legal assistance provided to state servants in the course of the Commission of Inquiry into the Tasmanian Government’s Responses to Child Sexual Abuse in Institutional Settings, can the Government:

- (1) Confirm whether the Independent Reviewer completed the review and provided the final report to the government by December 2024 as the Attorney-General indicated was the anticipated timeframe in a statement to the Parliament on the 27 November 2024,
- (2) If the independent Review continued beyond December 2024, confirm whether it is still underway and if not, when it was completed and whether the final report has been received by Government and if so when, and
- (3) Detail when the review and any recommendations will be made public?

## **30 University of Tasmania Borrowing Approvals**

Asked by: Ms Webb

To: Leader of the Government

Date: 10 April 2025

Question:

In relation to the request made by the Public Accounts Committee Inquiry into the University of Tasmania (UTAS) Financial Position, to the Treasurer, the Hon Guy Barnett MP, to “*provide a full reconciliation between the terms and conditions of UTAS’ \$350 million Green Bond borrowing*” and the two borrowing approvals issued by the then-Treasurer Peter Gutwein, upon which UTAS relied for that borrowing, and the subsequent response by the Treasurer that UTAS’ “*current Bond Program is consistent with the approvals issued in March 2021*”; can the Government:

- (1) Confirm there was only one Treasury issued borrowing approval in March 2021 which was for \$200 million, not the \$350 million or \$400 million claimed to be the borrowing limit of UTAS,
- (2) Explain why Treasurer Barnett failed to detail in his response to PAC the November 2019 UTAS’ borrowing approval for \$200 million issued in November 2019, on which UTAS must also have had reliance for the Green Bond borrowing,
- (3) Confirm an assertion of compliance or consistency, on the part of the Treasurer, is not the same as demonstrating compliance, and
- (4) Provide “a full reconciliation between the terms and conditions of UTAS’ \$350 million Green Bond borrowing” and the terms and conditions of UTAS’ two borrowing approvals, issued in November 2019 and March 2021, for \$200 million each?

**33 Coronial Project inquiry investigating the deaths of individuals from whom autopsy samples were contained in the Museum of Pathology collection**

Asked by: Ms Webb

To: Leader of the Government

Date: 10 April 2025

Question:

In relation to the Coronial Project currently underway into the autopsy specimens retained by the R. A. Radda Museum of Pathology at the University of Tasmania, and noting the independence of the Coroner’s Office as established under the *Coroners Act 1995* to report, investigate and hold inquests into deaths, fire and explosions, can the government please:

- (1) Clarify the scope of the Current Coronial Project inquiry including whether the Project is investigating the deaths of those individuals from whom the autopsy samples were contained in the Museum of Pathology collection, or the autopsies of those individuals, and any other matters regarding the circumstances surrounding the Museum of Pathology’s collection,
- (2) Confirm whether there has been any request for additional resourcing, or any other form of assistance, from the Coroner’s Office to assist with matters associated with the Coronial Project including community consultation, and if so please detail the request and any government response provided,
- (3) Clarify whether, on the conclusion of the Coronial Project, family members who wish to do so will be consulted on the eventual disposal or repatriation of their family member’s remains? and

- (4) Detail whether the government has received updates from the Coroner's Office on the progress of the Coronial Project, including but not limited to, the expected completion date.

### **34 Glenorchy Community Youth Offending**

Asked by: Ms Thomas

To: Leader of the Government

Date: 28 May 2025

Question:

Over the past six weeks, it has been reported that the Glenorchy community has been significantly impacted by a surge in youth offending, therefore:

- (1) Why has the Government defunded vital youth programs like the Pulse Youth Health Drop-In Centre, U-Turn, the Wilderness Program, and Chance on Main over the past decade, despite their proven value to at-risk young people?
- (2) Why has the Government failed to replace these programs or adequately invest in alternative evidence-based early intervention initiatives, and instead shifted resources away from preventative youth support and early intervention programs, despite its commitment to this in the Youth Justice Blueprint?
- (3) Will the Government demonstrate its commitment to at-risk youth by funding a youth space in Glenorchy in the 2025-26 budget, as requested in Glenorchy City Council's community budget submission?
- (4) Will the Government develop a *Plan to Address Youth Offending*, with consideration to include the following elements:
  - (a) Commitment to a proactive Tasmania Police presence on the beat in Glenorchy, Claremont and Moonah;
  - (b) Urgent legislative change to provide security guards with more powers to intervene in antisocial behaviour and training to support the use of their powers;
  - (c) The expansion of Metro Transit Officer powers to shopping centre guards;
  - (d) Increased investment in surveillance technology including a central CCTV monitoring system and 24/7 security monitoring and control room for Greater Hobart to respond to crime or emerging events in a timely manner;
  - (e) A review of Youth Justice Act 1997 sentencing and diversion program legislative provisions and programs to meet the needs of the community, victims and young people;
  - (f) A review of youth bail laws and section 24C of the Youth Justice Act 1997;
  - (g) Legislation providing for workplace protection orders, as it is reported by business owners that ban notices are not an effective deterrent;

- (h) Minimum packaging standards for knives and other sharp objects and a ban on the importation of knives and sharp objects by minors;
- (i) Case study research into the 30 youth offenders with 50 or more police charges in 2024 – to properly define the problem, to identify the specific social and systemic factors contributing to recidivism;
- (j) Increased investment in early intervention programs, to address generational disadvantage and stop this crime before it starts – including the establishment of a youth hub in Glenorchy and the reintroduction of interagency support teams; and
- (k) A review of the Tier 4 schooling system and the exploration of parental responsibility contracts.

**35 Ashley Youth Detention Centre Management of Allegations of Staff Misconduct**

Asked by: Mr Gaffney

To: Leader of the Government

Date: 28 May 2025

Question:

- (1) How many AYDC staff have been found to be in breach of the State Service Code of Conduct due to sexual misconduct?
- (2) How many AYDC staff subject to allegations of sexual abuse have been formally investigated and charged by Tasmanian Police?
- (3) Of those staff cleared of allegations, how many have:
  - (a) returned to work;
  - (b) returned to their original workplace; and
  - (c) resigned or retired?
- (4) What is the total cost of the Commission of Inquiry into Institutional Abuse?
- (5) What is the cost so far for investigations into allegations of misconduct against AYDC staff, including Employment Direction 5 (ED5) investigations?
- (6) What is the cost so far for wages and other employment costs of suspended AYDC staff?
- (7) How much has been paid so far to claimants against AYDC staff for sexual misconduct?
- (8) How much has been budgeted for current, emerging and future claims against AYDC staff for sexual misconduct?
- (9) Why didn't the Government challenge the \$75 million Class Action against AYDC when at the time many staff had been cleared of allegations?
- (10) Have the Government Investigations identified any individual(s) who has made false and fraudulent allegations?

- (11) If Question 10 is yes, of those identified as making false and fraudulent allegations, how many individual(s) have received payments in settlement of their claims against the State?
- (12) If there have been individuals identified by Government Investigators as receiving payments for fraudulent and false allegations, has the Government sought to recover those payments?
- (13) Why were claims paid for allegations of sexual abuse before investigations were started and / or completed?
- (14) What mechanisms have been put in place to assist and support claimants in the management of their redress payments?
- (15) How were the claims of the whistleblower known as Alysha investigated and verified?
- (16) Why were the statements made by AYDC staff scrutinised and treated as false?
- (17) Will the Government take any responsibility for the extraordinary lengthy suspensions of AYDC staff of up to four and a half years rather than claiming the matters as complex?
- (18) Why has there been an inconsistent approach to suspending staff?
- (19) Why has there been an inconsistent approach to suspending 'Working with Vulnerable Children' registrations for some staff and not others?
- (20) Why were suspended AYDC staff required to be totally isolated from their work colleagues during a very traumatic time?
- (21) Why were suspended AYDC staff not consulted about and involved in developing the appropriate response from their managers to meet their needs?
- (22) Will the Government:
  - (a) Publicly apologise for the way AYDC staff have been appallingly treated?
  - (b) Publicly apologise to all those AYDC staff who have been wrongfully accused?
  - (c) Consider compensation to AYDC staff who have been wrongfully accused?
- (23) What support has the Government provided to those AYDC staff who were stood down including those who remain stood down?
- (24) In light of legislation in other States regarding falsified and vexatious claims against public servants, what due diligence and / or legislation has the Tasmanian Government introduced or considered to address the situation?

Petition <sup>1</sup>	Member	Date Tabled	Response Due
<a href="#">Greyhound Racing in Tasmania</a>	Ms O'Connor	10 April 2025	22 August 2025
Government Administration Committee Reports <sup>2</sup>		Date Tabled	Response Due
<a href="#">Inquiry into Homes Tasmania</a> (Government Administration Committee B)		12 March 2025	12 June 2025
<a href="#">Inquiry into Tasmanian Adult Imprisonment and Youth Detention Matters</a> (Government Administration Committee B)		1 April 2025	1 July 2025

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<sup>1</sup> Standing Order 44(8) provides that the Leader of the Government table the Government's response to a petition within 15 sitting days.

<sup>2</sup> Sessional Order 5(28) provides that the Leader of the Government or the Minister (if a Member of the Council) shall provide the Government's response to a Government Administration Committee's Report within three months of the Report being tabled.

## Summary of Bills

### Read First Time

No. 2 of 2024	Partition Amendment Bill ( <i>pro forma</i> )
No. 27 of 2024	Residential Tenancy Amendment Bill
No. 31 of 2024	University of Tasmania (Protection of Land) Bill
No. 43 of 2024	Charities and Associations Law (Miscellaneous) Amendment) Bill
No. 54 of 2024	Tasmanian Community Fund Amendment Bill
No. 7	Police Offences Amendment Bill
No. 9	Custodial Inspector Amendment (Protection from Reprisal) Bill
No. 14	Justice and Related Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill
No. 17	Superannuation Liability (GST Windfall Fund) Bill
No. 19	Youth Justice Facility Development Bill
No. 23	Charter of Budget Responsibility Amendment Bill

### Second Reading Adjourned

No. 25 of 2024	Electoral Amendment Bill
No. 35 of 2024	Expungement of Historic Offences Amendment Bill
No. 45 of 2024	Justice and Related Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill (No.2)

### Second Reading Negated

No. 53 of 2024	Land Use Planning and Approvals (Development Assessment Panels) Bill
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### Awaiting Third Reading

No. 42 of 2024	Defamation Amendment Bill
No. 10	Justice Miscellaneous (Reporting Procedures) Bill
No. 15	Evidence (Children and Special Witnesses) Amendment Bill

### Third Reading Negated

No. 30 of 2024	Sentencing Amendment (Presumption of Mandatory Sentencing) Bill
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### Agreed to by Both Houses

No. 3 of 2024	Appropriation (Further Supplementary Appropriation for 2023-24) Bill	Act No. 1 of 2024
No. 4 of 2024	Supply (No. 1) Bill	Act No. 2 of 2024
No. 5 of 2024	Supply (No. 2) Bill	Act No. 3 of 2024
No. 7 of 2024	Sentencing Amendment (Alcohol Treatment Order) Bill	Act No. 8 of 2024
No. 8 of 2024	State Litigator (Consequential Amendments) Bill	Act No. 7 of 2024
No. 10 of 2024	Racing Regulation and Integrity Bill	Act No. 16 of 2024
No. 11 of 2024	Racing Regulation and Integrity (Consequential Amendments) Bill	Act No. 14 of 2024
No. 12 of 2024	Surveyors Amendment Bill	Act No. 4 of 2024
No. 13 of 2024	Taxation Legislation (Affordable Housing and Employment Support) Bill	Act No. 5 of 2024
No. 14 of 2024	Child Safety Reform Implementation Monitor Bill	Act No. 6 of 2024
No. 16 of 2024	Police Offences Amendment (Begging Repeal) Bill	Act No. 10 of 2024
No. 17 of 2024	Industrial Hemp Amendment Bill	Act No. 22 of 2024
No. 18 of 2024	Human Tissue Amendment Bill	Act No. 11 of 2024
No. 19 of 2024	Justice and Related Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments)	Act No. 27 of 2024
No. 20 of 2024	Forestry (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill	Act No. 19 of 2024
No. 21 of 2024	Asbestos-Related Diseases (Occupational Exposure) Compensation Amendment Bill	Act No. 12 of 2024
No. 22 of 2024	Taxation Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill	Act No. 9 of 2024
No. 23 of 2024	Sentencing Amendment (Presumptive Sentencing for Assaults on Frontline Workers) Bill	Act No. 29 of 2024
No. 24 of 2024	Work Health and Safety Amendment (Safer Workplaces) Bill	Act No. 15 of 2024
No. 26 of 2024	Justice Miscellaneous (Commission of Inquiry) Bill	Act No. 17 of 2024
No. 28 of 2024	Evidence (Children and Special Witnesses) Amendment Bill	Act No. 18 of 2024



No. 29 of 2024	Disability Rights, Inclusion and Safeguarding Bill	Act No. 21 of 2024
No. 32 of 2024	Historic Cultural Heritage Amendment Bill	Act No. 25 of 2024
No. 33 of 2024	Farm Debt Mediation Bill	Act No. 20 of 2024
No. 34 of 2024	Tasmanian Development Amendment Bill	Act No. 13 of 2024
No. 36 of 2024	Justice Miscellaneous (Administrative Review Tribunal) Bill	Act No. 8 of 2025
No. 37 of 2024	Validation (State Coastal Policy) Bill	Act No. 26 of 2024
No. 38 of 2024	Family Violence Amendment (Protecting People and Their Pets) Bill	Act No. 30 of 2024
No. 39 of 2024	Appropriation (No.1) Bill	Act No. 23 of 2024
No. 40 of 2024	Appropriation (No.2) Bill	Act No. 24 of 2024
No. 41 of 2024	Judicial Commissions Bill	Act No. 28 of 2024
No. 46 of 2024	Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (Additional Jurisdictions) Bill	Act No. 7 of 2025
No. 47 of 2024	Public Health Amendment (Vaping) Bill	Act No. 2 of 2025
No. 48 of 2024	Health Miscellaneous Bill	Act No. 3 of 2025
No. 49 of 2024	Land Use Planning and Approvals Amendment (Supporting Development) Bill	Act No. 31 of 2024
No. 51 of 2024	Family Violence Amendment Bill	Act No. 5 of 2025
No. 52 of 2024	Land Use Planning and Approvals (Stony Rise Development Approval) Bill	Act No. 32 of 2024
No. 55 of 2024	Electoral Disclosure and Funding (Donation Disclosure) Amendment Bill	Act No. 1 of 2025
No. 1	Appropriation (Supplementary Appropriation for 2024-25) Bill	Act No. 4 of 2025
No. 3	Police Offences Amendment (Knives and Other Weapons) Bill	
No. 4	Electoral Amendment (Alternative Voting Procedures) Bill	Act No. 9 of 2025
No. 8	Disability Rights, Inclusion and Safeguarding (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Bill	Act No. 6 of 2025
No. 12	Land Use Planning and Approvals Amendment (Sensitive Disclosures) Bill	

## Current Committees and Membership

### Standing Committees

[Committee of Privileges](#): Mr Farrell, Ms Forrest, Mr Gaffney and Ms Rattray

[Standing Orders Committee](#): Mr Farrell (The President), Ms Forrest (The Chair of Committees), Ms Armitage and Ms Rattray

[Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works \(Joint\)](#)<sup>1</sup>: Mr Harriss and Ms Rattray

[Parliamentary Standing Committee on Subordinate Legislation \(Joint\)](#): Mr Harriss and Ms Rattray

[Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts \(Joint\)](#): Ms Forrest and Ms Thomas

[Parliamentary Standing Committee on Integrity \(Joint\)](#): Ms Armitage and Ms O'Connor

[Parliamentary Standing Committee on Electoral Matters \(Joint\)](#): Mr Gaffney, Ms O'Connor and Ms Thomas

### Sessional Committees

[House Committee \(Joint\)](#): Mr Farrell (The President) and Ms Forrest

[Library Committee \(Joint\)](#): Ms Armitage, Mr Farrell, Ms Forrest, Mr Gaffney and Ms Rattray

[Final Report of Commission of Inquiry \(Joint\)](#): Ms Forrest, Ms Lovell and Ms O'Connor

[Workplace Cultural Oversight \(Joint\)](#): Mr Farrell, Ms Forrest and Ms Lovell

[Gender and Equality \(Joint\)](#): Ms Forrest, Mr Harris and Ms Thomas

[Government Administration A](#): Ms Forrest, Mr Harriss, Ms Lovell, Ms O'Connor and Ms Thomas

[Government Administration B](#): Ms Armitage, Mr Gaffney and Ms Rattray

### Select Committee

[Energy Prices \(Joint\)](#): Ms Forrest, Mr Harris and Ms Lovell

[Estimates Committee A](#): Member for Murchison, Member for Huon, Member for Rumney, Member for Hobart, Member for Elwick and Member for Montgomery

[Estimates Committee B](#): Member for Launceston, Member for Mersey, Member for McIntyre, Member for Nelson and Member for Pembroke

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<sup>1</sup> Joint Committees are made up of Members from both Houses. For House of Assembly Members of these Committees please see the House of Assembly Notice Paper.

## Dates of Meetings of the Legislative Council

The following are the Council's proposed sitting dates for 2025. These dates are indicative only and subject to change.

<b>March</b>	11, 12, 13
<b>April</b>	1, 2, 3, 4 (QC), 8, 9, 10
<b>May</b>	9 (QC), 27, 28, 29
<b>June</b>	3, 4, 5
<b>July</b>	1, 2, 3
<b>August</b>	19, 20, 21, 22 (QC), 26, 27, 28, 29 (QC)
<b>September</b>	16, 17, 18, 19 (QC), 23, 24, 25, 26 (QC)
<b>October</b>	14, 15, 16, 28, 29, 30, 31 (QC)
<b>November</b>	4, 5, 6, 21 (QC), 25, 26, 27

The sitting schedule is available at:

[https://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0024/87261/Sitting-Schedule-LC-2025.pdf](https://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0024/87261/Sitting-Schedule-LC-2025.pdf).

## Meetings of the Legislative Council (Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays)

<b>11.00 am</b>	Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers Presentation of Petitions Notices of Questions Notices of Motions Answers to Questions on Notice Tabling of Papers Messages Special Interest Matters [ <i>Tuesdays only</i> ] Motions and Orders of the Day [ <i>Government Business takes precedence on Wednesdays and Thursdays</i> ]
<b>1.00 pm</b>	Break
<b>2.30 pm</b>	Question Time
<b>3.00 pm</b>	Resumption of Motions and Orders of the Day
<b>4.00 pm</b>	Break [ <i>Tuesdays and Wednesdays only</i> ]
<b>4.30 pm</b>	Resumption of Motions and Orders of the Day Adjournment

## Quorum Calls of the Legislative Council (Fridays)

When the Legislative Council sits on a Friday it is called a Quorum Call. This sitting is primarily for the purpose of receiving Messages from the House of Assembly, and the Council does not conduct any substantive business.

<b>9.30 am</b>	Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers Presentation of Petitions Notices of Questions Notices of Motions Answers to Questions on Notice Tabling of Papers Messages Adjournment
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## Standing and Sessional Orders of the Legislative Council

The work of the Legislative Council is governed by its Standing and Sessional Orders, as agreed by the Council. The Council's Standing Orders are available at:

<https://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/legislative-council/lcstandingorders>