

# NOTICE PAPER — No 168

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA 59<sup>th</sup> Parliament

**Tuesday 20 September 2022**

*House meets at 12.00 noon*

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## TUESDAY ORDER OF BUSINESS

The order of business for Tuesday sittings is set out in [SOs 34 and 36](#), and [sessional orders](#). The program is subject to change at any time by resolution of the House. Refer to the Clerk's Daily Running Sheet or [Assembly Live](#), or contact the Procedure Office, for more information.

House meets at 12.00 noon

Prayer

Acknowledgement of Country

Formal business:

- introduction of bills

- notices of motion

- petitions

- documents

- messages

- motions by leave

- government business program motion

Statements by members

Government business

Question time at 2.00 pm

Government business

General business subject to [SO 34](#)

Adjournment debate at 7.00 pm

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**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS — ORDERS OF THE DAY**

- 1 **HUMAN SOURCE MANAGEMENT BILL 2022** — Second reading — *Resumption of debate (Ms McLeish).*
- 2 **DISABILITY AMENDMENT BILL 2022** — Second reading — *Resumption of debate (Ms Staley).*
- 3 **RACING AMENDMENT (UNAUTHORISED ACCESS) BILL 2022** — Second reading — *Resumption of debate (Ms Staley).*
- 4 **BUDGET PAPERS** — That this House takes note of the 2022–23 budget papers — *Resumption of debate (Mr McGuire).*
- 5 **ADDRESSES ON ROYAL COMMISSION INTO VICTORIA'S MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM** — That this House takes note of the addresses given at the special sitting at the Royal Exhibition Building on 2 March 2021 for the presentation of the Final Report of the Royal Commission into Victoria's Mental Health System — *Resumption of debate (Mr Staikos).*
- 6 **CRIMES (MENTAL IMPAIRMENT AND UNFITNESS TO BE TRIED) AMENDMENT BILL 2020** — Second reading — *Resumption of debate (Mr Southwick).*
- 7 **PROPOSAL FOR A JOINT SITTING — MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL (30 NOVEMBER 2021)** — To be considered.
- 8 **PROPOSAL FOR A JOINT SITTING — MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL (1 DECEMBER 2021)** — To be considered.

**GENERAL BUSINESS — NOTICES OF MOTION****NOTICES GIVEN ON 25 MAY 2022**

- 1 **MS SANDELL** — To move, That this House — (1) condemns logging in Victoria's old growth forests; and (2) calls on the Government to create the Great Forest National Park and Emerald Link to protect Victoria's endangered species.
- 2 **MS SANDELL** — To move, That this House — (1) notes the IPCC warns we have 9 years to limit a climate change catastrophe but this Government has no plans to transition Victoria from coal; and (2) calls on the Government to urgently plan to stop burning and mining coal and move to 100 per cent renewable energy.
- 3 **MS SANDELL** — To move, That this House — (1) notes that South Kensington Train Station is one of the most inadequate and inaccessible train stations on the metropolitan network; and (2) calls on the Government to upgrade the station immediately.
- 4 **MR HIBBINS** — To move, That this House — (1) notes the increase in homelessness in the Prahran electorate; and (2) calls on the Government to build more public housing to reduce homelessness and abandon its plans to privatise public housing estates.

- 5 **MR HIBBINS** — To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately and permanently ban duck shooting in Victoria.
- 6 **MR HIBBINS** — To move, That this House — (1) notes that Australia’s first pill testing trial in Canberra was a success with a number of people disposing of potentially lethal drugs; and (2) calls on the Government to urgently run pill testing trials in Victoria to reduce harm and save lives.

#### NOTICES RENEWED ON 26 MAY 2022

- 7 **MR HIBBINS** — To move, That this House notes the Government’s proposed St Kilda Road separated bike lanes will not be completed until 2025, and calls on the Government to immediately build a 17 km separated bike lane from St Kilda Road to Sydney Road.
- 8 **MR HIBBINS** — To move, That this House calls on the Government to remove the Punt Road Public Acquisition Overlay.
- 9 **MS SANDELL** — To move, That this House acknowledges that the Murray-Darling Basin is facing an enormous ecological crisis and calls on the Andrews Government to urgently allocate more environmental water flows to the river.
- 10 **MR HIBBINS** — To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately fix the dangerous Punt Road pedestrian crossing at South Yarra Primary.
- 11 **MR HIBBINS** — To move, That this House calls on the Government to develop a masterplan for St Kilda Junction.

#### NOTICES RENEWED ON 4 AUGUST 2022

- 12 **DR READ** — To move, That this House — (1) notes the Brunswick electorate is experiencing a boom in medium to high-rise buildings; (2) notes Moreland Council’s structure plan specifying maximum heights for apartment developments is often exceeded when appealed to VCAT; and (3) calls on the Government to set mandatory height limits in the area.
- 13 **DR READ** — To move, That this House — (1) notes the Brunswick electorate is experiencing a boom in medium to high-rise apartment buildings; (2) notes this places significant pressure on local infrastructure; and (3) calls on the Government to invest in public transport and other local infrastructure to keep pace with population growth.
- 14 **DR READ** — To move, That this House notes the significant backlog of school maintenance across Victoria and calls on the Government to fix the outstanding school maintenance backlog, including at schools in the Brunswick electorate, many of which require significant work to return them to the national standards.
- 15 **DR READ** — To move, That this House condemns the Andrews Government for overseeing a justice system that is putting greater numbers of vulnerable, traumatised women behind bars for relatively minor offences and calls on the Government to reverse this trend through evidence-based justice reforms.

- 16 **DR READ** — To move, That this House notes that manipulation of the electoral system through group voting tickets enabled candidates to be elected to the other place with as little as 0.60 per cent of the first preference vote and calls on the Government to stop this manipulation by implementing long overdue electoral reform.
- 17 **DR READ** — To move, That this House notes that Sydney Road is in the top five locations for cyclists to be ‘doored’ in the State and calls on the Andrews Government to build separated bike lanes on Sydney Road.

#### **NOTICE RENEWED ON 31 AUGUST 2022**

- 18 **DR READ** — To move, That this House — (1) notes globally, nationally and locally, human induced climate change is contributing to droughts, bushfires and heatwave deaths; and (2) declares that we are in a climate emergency requiring urgent action across all levels of government, including a plan to keep coal and gas in the ground.

#### **NOTICES RENEWED ON 5 APRIL 2022**

- 19 **MR TAYLOR** — To move, That this House commends the Andrews Labor Government’s commitment of \$51.2 million to put mental health professionals in all state secondary schools by 2022.
- 20 **MS THEOPHANOUS** — To move, That this House commends the Andrews Labor Government for its action to address our broken mental health system with the Royal Commission into Victoria’s Mental Health System, including its commitment to implement all recommendations of the Royal Commission.
- 21 **MS ADDISON** — To move, That this House recognises the Andrews Labor Government’s investment in Victoria’s mental health system of \$1.7 billion over the first term of Government versus \$609 million between 2010–14 by the former Liberal-National Government.

#### **NOTICE RENEWED ON 24 MAY 2022**

- 22 **MS SANDELL** — To move, That this House — (1) expresses solidarity with Black Lives Matter protesters; (2) acknowledges Victoria’s history of racism, over-policing, and deaths in custody; and (3) calls on the Government to overhaul our justice system to prevent and eradicate racism, prioritise justice reinvestment, and raise the age of legal culpability to 14.

#### **NOTICE RENEWED ON 26 MAY 2022**

- 23 **MS SANDELL** — To move, That this House — (1) notes that the Victorian State of the Environment Report found increasing rates of native species extinction; and (2) declares a biodiversity emergency and takes all necessary action to address this crisis.

#### **NOTICES RENEWED ON 2 AUGUST 2022**

- 24 **DR READ** — To move, That this House condemns the Andrews Labor Government for increasing the gap in incarceration rates between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Victorians to amongst the worst levels in Australia, and calls on the Government to reform bail and other sentencing to urgently address this.

25 **DR READ** — To move, That this House notes that Victoria’s minimum age of criminal responsibility allows the imprisonment of children as young as 10 years old and calls on Victoria to raise the minimum age of criminal responsibility to 14 years old.

26 **DR READ** — To move, That this House notes the law and order approach to drugs has failed and calls on the Government to legalise and regulate the supply of cannabis in a manner consistent with harm minimisation principles.

#### **NOTICE RENEWED ON 25 MAY 2022**

27 **MS SANDELL** — To move, That this House — (1) notes that Victoria is in a housing crisis with over 100,000 people on the public housing waiting list; and (2) calls on the Government to build new public housing in its Big Build, not just social housing.

#### **NOTICES RENEWED ON 21 JUNE 2022**

28 **DR READ** — To move, That this House — (1) notes that air pollution from motor vehicles causes an estimated 900 to 2,000 early deaths and 900 to 4,5000 cases of bronchitis, cardiovascular and respiratory disease annually, costing more than \$1.5 billion; and (2) notes that taxing electric vehicles exclusively discourages the purchase of non-polluting vehicles.

29 **MS SANDELL** — To move, That this House — (1) notes that transport is Victoria’s second biggest and fastest growing source of emissions; (2) notes that to avert climate catastrophe, we must urgently move to more active, public and zero-emissions transport; and (3) calls on the Government to scrap the tax on people who drive electric cars.

30 **MR HIBBINS** — To move, That this House — (1) notes the low uptake of electric vehicles in Victoria; and (2) calls on the Government to — (a) abolish electric vehicle tax; (b) increase financial incentives for electric vehicles; (c) transition the government fleet; (d) manufacture thousands of electric buses; and (e) ensure access to home charging.

#### **NOTICE RENEWED ON 24 MAY 2022**

31 **MS KEALY** — To move, That the proposals contained in the Health Legislation Amendment (Information Sharing) Bill 2021 be referred to the Legal and Social Issues Standing Committee for inquiry, consideration and report.

#### **NOTICE RENEWED ON 4 AUGUST 2022**

32 **MS SANDELL** — To move, That this House — (1) condemns VicForests for spying on citizens and illegally logging in Melbourne’s water catchment; and (2) moves to immediately wind up and replace VicForests with a new forests transition agency tasked with transitioning Victoria out of native forest logging by 2023.

#### **NOTICE RENEWED ON 16 AUGUST 2022**

33 **MS SHEED** — To move, That this House agrees to the following changes to the standing and sessional orders to come into effect on the next sitting day:

- (1) Omit the **Wednesday** order of business in Standing Order 36 and insert:

**'Wednesdays**

Formal business

Disallowance motions (SO 151)

Statements by members (SO 40)

Statements on parliamentary committee reports (SO 41)

Government business

Question time (2.00 pm)

Government business *continued*

Non-government business (4.00 pm)

Government business *continued*

General business'

- (2) Omit Standing Orders 37, 38 and 39 and insert:

**'37 Non-government business**

Non-government business includes notices of motion and orders of the day moved by members who are not members of the party or coalition in government.

**38 Order of consideration of non-government business**

- (1) Before the House meets in any week representatives of the non-government parties and independents may meet and agree which items of non-government business the House will consider that week.

- (2) On the first sitting day of the week:

- (a) a member who is not a member of the party or coalition in government may move, without notice or leave, a motion specifying items of non-government business to have precedence on the next sitting day;
- (b) the debate will last for 30 minutes or until six members have spoken, whichever is the shorter.

- (3) Over the course of a parliament, the specified items proposed by each non-government party and independent member must be proportional to the number of independent members and members representing non-government parties in the House.

- (4) If a motion is not moved or agreed to, the House will consider non-government business in the order it is set down on the notice paper under general business.

**39 Time for non-government business**

- (1) Every sitting Wednesday at 4.00 pm the House will consider non-government business for three hours.

- (2) At 4.00 pm every sitting Wednesday:

- (a) unless a division is taking place, the Chair will interrupt the business before the House and the bells are then rung for one minute;
  - (b) if a division is taking place when the time for interruption arises —
    - (i) the division will be completed without interruption and the result announced;
    - (ii) if the division is on a closure motion, and the motion is agreed to, the question or questions then required to be put to close the issue before the House will also be dealt with;
    - (iii) business is then interrupted according to sub-paragraph (a); and
  - (c) any business under discussion and not completed at the interruption will be resumed immediately at the end non-government business and any member speaking at the time of the interruption may then continue their speech.
- (3) Debate on each motion considered during general business will have an overall time limit of 90 minutes with the following speaking limits to apply:

Mover	15 minutes
Lead speaker in response from the Government	15 minutes
Any other member	10 minutes
Mover, in reply	5 minutes

At the end of the allocated time for the motion, the Chair will immediately put the questions on any amendments and the motion.

- (4) The time limits for private members' bills under SO 131 apply to debate on bills during general business.'
- (3) Omit 'the grievance debate or matter of public importance, as the case may be' in Standing Order 41 and insert 'statements by members'.
- (4) Omit paragraphs (1) to (3) of Sessional Order 3 and insert:

'So much of Standing Orders 36 and 55 be suspended so as to enable the following order of business on:

**Tuesdays**

Formal business  
 Statements by members  
 Government business  
 Question time (2.00 pm)  
 Government business *continued*  
 General business.'



**NOTICE RENEWED ON 18 AUGUST 2022**

- 34 **MR FOWLES** — To move, That this House — (1) calls on the Federal Parliament to legislate protection for all students from discrimination on the basis of gender and sexuality; and (2) notes that the current debate on religious discrimination adversely impacts the mental health, personal safety and educational outcomes of LGBTIQ+ students.

**NOTICES GIVEN ON 24 MARCH 2022**

- 35 **MS CRUGNALE** — To move, That this House — (1) notes that the Victorian Government is leading the country in renewable energy development and that its historic offshore wind targets will create thousands of jobs and drive regional investment; and (2) condemns the Victorian Opposition's constant attacks on renewable energy.
- 36 **MS HALFPENNY** — To move, That this House — (1) notes the significant benefits that the Victorian Government's Sick Pay Guarantee will provide to Victoria's most casualised and insecure workers; and (2) condemns the antipathy the current Federal Government and the Victorian Opposition have shown to tackling insecure work in Victorian workplaces.
- 37 **MS STALEY** — To move, That this House notes the Premier misled the House in question time on 22 March 2022 by claiming Emergency Services Telecommunications Authority met all its benchmarks when in truth triple zero ambulance dispatch failed to meet code one dispatch targets in every single financial year from 2016–17 to 2019–20.

**NOTICE GIVEN ON 25 MAY 2022**

- 38 **MS SANDELL** — To move, That this House — (1) condemns plans to log native forests at Mount Delusion, Swifts Creek and within the Tambo catchment area, areas critically important for threatened species habitat and water; and (2) supports an immediate transition out of native forest logging in Victoria.

**NOTICE GIVEN ON 23 JUNE 2022**

- 39 **MR HIBBINS** — To move, That this House — (1) calls on the Victorian Government to oppose the proposed third runway for Melbourne Airport; and (2) advocates to the Federal Government for high-speed rail as an alternative to expanding emissions-intensive air travel.

**NOTICE GIVEN ON 18 AUGUST 2022**

- 40 **MR HIBBINS** — To move, That this House — (1) recognises the Victorian community's concerns regarding transparent governance and democratic decision-making in our state's public universities; and (2) refers an inquiry into the provisions of the eight public university Acts to the Economy and Infrastructure Standing Committee for consideration and report including, but not limited to, an examination of — (a) the constitution, functions and powers of each university; (b) the constitution, role, powers and obligations of the council and academic senate at each university; (c) the appropriateness of the Acts to ensure accountable executive, fiscal and academic decision-making; (d) the appropriateness of the Acts to protect and promote academic freedom, independence and autonomy; and (e) any other related matters.

## GENERAL BUSINESS — ORDERS OF THE DAY

### ORDERS MADE ON 8 MARCH 2022

- 1 **SOUTH GIPPSLAND HIGHWAY INTERSECTION IN LEONGATHA** — Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (*8 March 2022*) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to fund design and construction of stage two of the Leongatha Heavy Vehicle Alternative Route as soon as possible — To be considered (*Mr O'Brien, Gippsland South*).
- 2 **FORMER BEAUFORT PRIMARY SCHOOL SITE (508 SIGNATURES)** — Petition presented by the Member for Ripon (*8 March 2022*) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to transfer ownership of the former Beaufort Primary School site to the Pyrenees Shire Council and the community, and provide funding to repurpose the building and surrounds as a community hub — To be considered (*Ms Staley*).
- 3 **FORMER BEAUFORT PRIMARY SCHOOL SITE (1773 SIGNATURES)** — Petition presented by the Member for Ripon (*8 March 2022*) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to transfer ownership of the former Beaufort Primary School site to the Pyrenees Shire Council and the community, and provide funding to repurpose the building and surrounds as a community hub — To be considered (*Ms Staley*).

### ORDER MADE ON 9 MARCH 2022

- 4 **ELDORADO DREDGE HISTORIC RESERVE** — Petition presented by the Member for Ovens Valley (*9 March 2022*) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly funds improvements to the Eldorado Dredge Historic Reserve that will benefit residents and local tourism — To be considered (*Mr McCurdy*).

### ORDER MADE ON 22 MARCH 2022

- 5 **KALKALLO/DONNYBROOK TRAFFIC FLOW** — Petition presented by the Member for Yuroke (*22 March 2022*) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly provides for roadworks to improve the traffic flow at the Donnybrook Road/Mitchell Street roundabout to alleviate congestion experienced by residents — To be considered (*Ms Green*).

### ORDER MADE ON 5 APRIL 2022

- 6 **IMPLEMENTATION OF A SEXUAL VIOLENCE ONLINE REPORTING TOOL** — Petition presented by the Member for Caulfield (*5 April 2022*) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to adopt an online tool that provides victims of sexual violence with an option to report a sexual offence to police without initiating any criminal proceedings — To be considered (*Mr Southwick*).

### ORDERS MADE ON 6 APRIL 2022

- 7 **VICTORIA'S BREAST SCREEN SERVICE** — Petition presented by the Member for Croydon (*6 April 2022*) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to reinstate funding for breast screening services — To be considered (*Mr Hodgett*).

- 8 **PROTECT PORTLAND DISTRICT HEALTH** — Petition presented by the Member for South-West Coast (6 April 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to — (a) implement the recommendations made in the *Towards a Sustainable Medical Healthcare Workforce in Portland* report; (b) increase Portland District Health’s annual funding budget; and (c) guarantee there are no plans to amalgamate Portland District Hospital with any other health service — To be considered (*Ms Britnell*).

**ORDER MADE ON 7 APRIL 2022**

- 9 **THOMASTOWN ROUNDABOUT TRAFFIC FLOW** — Petition presented by the Member for Thomastown (7 April 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly replaces the roundabout intersection at Dalton and Settlement Roads in Thomastown with a set of traffic lights, to improve road safety and traffic flow — To be considered (*Ms Halfpenny*).

**ORDERS MADE ON 3 MAY 2022**

- 10 **PUBLIC TRANSPORT BETWEEN YARRAM AND SALE** — Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (3 May 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to provide public transport services that travel between Yarram and Sale, or initiate a trial to gauge the level of demand — To be considered (*Mr O’Brien, Gippsland South*).
- 11 **SENIOR CAMPUS FOR THE NORTHERN SCHOOL FOR AUTISM IN LALOR** — Petition presented by the Member for Thomastown (3 May 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Minister for Education and the Government to make a financial commitment in the upcoming 2022–23 State Budget to fund the planning and construction of a purpose-built senior campus for the Northern School for Autism in Lalor — To be considered (*Ms Halfpenny*).

**ORDER MADE ON 11 MAY 2022**

- 12 **SAND MINING WITHIN THE LANG LANG TO GRANTVILLE COASTAL FOREST CORRIDOR** — Petition presented by the Member for Bass (11 May 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly places an immediate moratorium on sand mining work authorities within the Lang Lang to Grantville coastal forest corridor to ensure remnant forest is protected — To be considered (*Ms Crugnale*).

**ORDER MADE ON 12 MAY 2022**

- 13 **EILDON–SOUTHERN CROSS STATION BUS SERVICE** — Petition presented by the Member for Eildon (12 May 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly directs the Department of Transport to keep the existing Route 684 bus service between Eildon and Southern Cross Station — To be considered (*Ms McLeish*).

**ORDERS MADE ON 24 MAY 2022**

- 14 **KOOYONG AND NORTH ROADS INTERSECTION** — Petition presented by the Member for Caulfield (24 May 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly improves the safety of the Kooyong and North Roads intersection for pedestrians — To be considered (*Mr Southwick*).
- 15 **DEVELOP A NEW MASTERPLAN FOR HOSKEN RESERVE** — Petition presented by the Member for Polwarth (24 May 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly discontinues Moreland City

Council's Hosken Reserve masterplan refresh project and initiates a public and independent inquiry to develop a new masterplan that prioritises local residents — To be considered (*Mr Riordan*).

#### ORDERS MADE ON 25 MAY 2022

- 16 **POOWONG PUBLIC TRANSPORT** — Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (25 May 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to provide public transport services that stop at Poowong or at least initiate a trial to gauge the level of demand — To be considered (*Mr O'Brien, Gippsland South*).
- 17 **SOUTH GIPPSLAND HIGHWAY INTERSECTION IN LEONGATHA** — Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (25 May 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to fund design and construction of stage two of the Leongatha Heavy Vehicle Alternative Route as soon as possible — To be considered (*Mr O'Brien, Gippsland South*).

#### ORDERS MADE ON 8 JUNE 2022

- 18 **PUBLIC TRANSPORT BETWEEN YARRAM AND SALE** — Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (8 June 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to provide public transport services that travel between Yarram and Sale, or initiate a trial to gauge the level of demand — To be considered (*Mr O'Brien, Gippsland South*).
- 19 **EXTEND THE BUS SERVICE BETWEEN COLAC AND LORNE** — Petition presented by the Member for Polwarth (8 June 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly extends the bus service that operates between Colac, Birregurra, Deans Marsh and Lorne to a daily service — To be considered (*Mr Riordan*).

#### ORDER MADE ON 22 JUNE 2022

- 20 **REVIEW MOUNT ALEXANDER'S PUBLIC TRANSPORT** — Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (22 June 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly and the Minister for Public Transport review Mount Alexander's public transport services — To be considered (*Ms Edwards*).

#### ORDER MADE ON 23 JUNE 2022

- 21 **UPPER KIEWA VALLEY RAW WATER OFFTAKE** — Petition presented by the Member for Ovens Valley (23 June 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to reject sites along Embankment Drive in Mount Beauty for the Upper Kiewa Valley's raw water offtake, and establish an independent assessment team to work with North East Water to identify a different location for it — To be considered (*Mr McCurdy*).

#### ORDERS MADE ON 2 AUGUST 2022

- 22 **MARYBOROUGH TENNIS CENTRE** — Petition presented by the Member for Ripon (2 August 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly notes the poor condition of the tennis courts, netball courts and court lighting at the Maryborough Tennis Centre and calls on the Government to assist the Central Goldfields Shire with funding to improve these facilities — To be considered (*Ms Staley*).

- 23 **MOBILE PHONE SERVICE IN LUCAS** — Petition presented by the Member for Ripon (2 August 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly notes the inadequacy of the mobile phone service in Lucas and ensures that all new estates are required to provide good mobile phone and internet coverage — To be considered (*Ms Staley*).
- 24 **WESTERN VICTORIAN TRANSMISSION NETWORK** — Petition presented by the Member for Ripon (2 August 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly places the AUSNET towers underground along the Western Highway — To be considered (*Ms Staley*).
- 25 **SOUTH GIPPSLAND HIGHWAY INTERSECTION IN LEONGATHA** — Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (2 August 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to fund design and construction of stage two of the Leongatha Heavy Vehicle Alternative Route as soon as possible — To be considered (*Mr O'Brien, Gippsland South*).

#### ORDER MADE ON 4 AUGUST 2022

- 26 **RAILWAY COMMUTER CARPARKS IN FERNTREE GULLY** — Petition presented by the Member for Ferntree Gully (4 August 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly ceases development of any additional railway commuter carparks in Ferntree Gully until consultation to assess community needs has occurred — To be considered (*Mr Wakeling*).

#### ORDERS MADE ON 16 AUGUST 2022

- 27 **EROSION OF LOCH SPORT FORESHORE AT LAKE VICTORIA** — Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (16 August 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to provide urgent funding to address erosion along the Loch Sport foreshore at Lake Victoria — To be considered (*Mr O'Brien, Gippsland South*).
- 28 **CURDIES RIVER CATCHMENT** — Petition presented by the Member for Polwarth (16 August 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly requires the relevant ministers to approve a Remediation Action Plan for the Curdies River Catchment to regenerate and maintain the health and bio-cultural values of the catchment for the benefit of all Victorians — To be considered (*Mr Riordan*).

#### ORDERS MADE ON 30 AUGUST 2022

- 29 **TRUCK BAN ON HEIDELBERG-KINGLAKE ROAD** — Petition presented by the Member for Eildon (30 August 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly addresses the hazards on the Heidelberg-Kinglake Road between St Andrews and Kinglake by prohibiting the road from being used as a truck route for vehicles over 4.5 tonnes, installing flashing warning lights in St Andrews and Kinglake at the road entrance, building truck and large vehicle turning areas at both ends of the road, and withdrawing permits for large vehicles to use this route except for emergency usage — To be considered (*Ms McLeish*).
- 30 **OCEAN SAFETY AND AWARENESS CENTRE IN APOLLO BAY** — Petition presented by the Member for Polwarth (30 August 2022) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly supports development of the Victorian Blue Ocean Safety Skills Centre to educate Victorian secondary school students and community groups in life-saving ocean safety skills and provide refuge in times of natural disasters — To be considered (*Mr Riordan*).

- 31 **VICTORIAN BLUE OCEAN SAFETY SKILLS CENTRE** — Petition presented by the Member for Polwarth (*30 August 2022*) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly calls on the Government to support the proposal for the Victorian Blue Ocean Safety Skills Centre — To be considered (*Mr Riordan*).

**ORDER MADE ON 31 AUGUST 2022**

- 32 **CURDIES RIVER CATCHMENT** — Petition presented by the Member for Polwarth (*31 August 2022*) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly requires the relevant ministers to approve a Remediation Action Plan for the Curdies River Catchment, to regenerate and maintain the health and bio-cultural values of the catchment for the benefit of all Victorians — To be considered (*Mr Riordan*).

**ORDER MADE ON 1 SEPTEMBER 2022**

- 33 **EAST WIMMERA HEALTH SERVICE ST ARNAUD CAMPUS** — Petition presented by the Member for Ripon (*1 September 2022*) — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly recommends the Government funds Stage 1 of the East Wimmera Health Service St Arnaud campus redevelopment — To be considered (*Ms Staley*).

BRIDGET NOONAN  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly*

MAREE EDWARDS MP  
*Speaker*

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## **SPEAKER, DEPUTY SPEAKER AND ACTING SPEAKERS**

**SPEAKER** — Ms Edwards.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER** — Ms Suleyman.

**ACTING SPEAKERS** — Mr Blackwood, Mr Bull (*Sunbury*), Ms Connolly, Ms Couzens, Ms Crugnale, Mr Edbrooke, Ms Halfpenny, Mr McCurdy, Mr McGuire, Mr Morris, Ms Richards, Mr Richardson, Mr Taylor and Ms Ward.

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## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

**DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE (JOINT<sup>φ</sup>)** — Ms Allan, Ms Hennessy, Mr Merlino, Mr Pakula, Mr Smith (*Warrandyte*), Mr Walsh and Mr Wells.

**ECONOMY AND INFRASTRUCTURE STANDING COMMITTEE** — Ms Addison, Mr Blackwood, Ms Couzens, Mr Eren, Ms Ryan, Ms Theophanous and Mr Wakeling.

**ELECTORAL MATTERS COMMITTEE (JOINT<sup>φ</sup>)** — Ms Hall, Dr Read and Mr Rowswell.

**ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE** — Ms Addison, Mr Fowles, Ms Green, Mr Hamer, Mr McCurdy, Ms McLeish and Mr Morris.

**HOUSE (JOINT<sup>φ</sup>)** — Speaker (*ex-officio*), Mr Bull (*Gippsland East*), Ms Crugnale, Mr Fregon, Ms Sandell, Ms Staley and Ms Suleyman.

**INTEGRITY AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (JOINT<sup>φ</sup>)** — Mr Halse, Mr Maas, Mr Rowswell, Mr Taylor, Ms Ward and Mr Wells.

**LEGAL AND SOCIAL ISSUES STANDING COMMITTEE** — Mr Angus, Mr Battin, Ms Couzens, Ms Kealy, Ms Settle, Mr Tak and Ms Theophanous.

**PANDEMIC DECLARATION ACCOUNTABILITY AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE** — Mr Bull (*Sunbury*), Mr Eren, Ms Kealy, Ms Sheed, Ms Ward and Mr Wells.

**PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE** — Ms Allan, Mr Carroll, Ms Hennessy, Mr McGuire, Mr Morris, Mr Pakula, Ms Ryan, Ms Staley and Mr Wells.

**PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES COMMITTEE (JOINT<sup>φ</sup>)** — Ms Connolly, Mr Hibbins, Mr Maas, Mr Newbury, Mr O'Brien (*Gippsland South*), Ms Richards and Mr Richardson.

**SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE (JOINT<sup>φ</sup>)** — Mr Burgess, Ms Connolly and Mr Morris.

**STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE** — Speaker, Ms Blandthorn, Mr Fregon, Ms McLeish, Ms Settle, Ms Sheed, Ms Staley, Ms Suleyman and Mr Walsh.

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<sup>φ</sup> Joint committees include members of both Houses. For Council membership, see the Legislative Council notice paper.



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## SESSIONAL ORDERS

Adopted by the House on 5 February 2019 and amended on 27 November 2019, 24 June 2021, 16 November 2021 and 8 February 2022.

### 1 Days and times of meeting

Unless otherwise ordered, the House will meet each Tuesday at 12.00 noon, and each Wednesday and Thursday at 9.30 am.

### 2 Interruption of business for adjournment

Standing Order 32 be suspended and the following to apply:

- (1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), the Speaker will interrupt the business before the House at:
  - (a) 7.00 pm each sitting Tuesday and Wednesday;
  - (b) 5.00 pm on any other sitting day.
- (2) If a division is taking place when the time for the interruption arises, the division will be completed and the result announced. If the division is on a closure motion, and the motion is agreed to, the question or questions then required to be put to close the issue before the House will also be dealt with. The Speaker will then interrupt business.
- (3) If the time for the interruption arises:
  - (a) at the same time as the completion time set by the government business program; or
  - (b) after the interruption for the completion time of the government business program, but before all business on the program has been dealt with —

all business on the government business program will be completed first. The Speaker will then interrupt business for the adjournment.

- (4) After the interruption:
  - (a) before a motion for the adjournment is proposed by the Speaker, a minister may move that the sitting be continued. That motion must be put immediately without amendment or debate. If it is agreed to, the House will resume debate at the point at which it had been interrupted; or
  - (b) if a motion is not moved, the Speaker will immediately propose the question 'That the House now adjourns'. Any business under discussion and any other business not concluded at the time of the adjournment will be listed on the notice paper for the next sitting day. Any member speaking at the time of the interruption may, when debate resumes, continue his or her speech.

### 3 Order of business

- (1) So much of Standing Orders 36, 38, 39, 41 and 55 be suspended so as to enable the following order of business on:

#### **Tuesdays**

Formal business

Statements by members

Government business

Question time (2.00 pm)

Government business *continued*

General business

#### **Wednesdays**

Formal business

Disallowance motions

Statements by members

Statements on parliamentary committee reports

Government business

Question time (2.00 pm)

Government business *continued*

Matter of public importance or grievance debate (4.00 pm)

Government business *continued*

General business

- (2) So much of Standing Orders 38 and 39 be suspended so as to enable:
- (a) at 4.00 pm on Wednesday, unless a division is taking place, the Chair interrupts the business before the House and the bells are then rung for one minute;
  - (b) if a division is taking place at 4.00 pm:
    - (i) it will be completed without interruption and result announced;
    - (ii) if the division is on a closure motion, and the motion is agreed to, the question or questions then required to be put to close the issue before the House will also be dealt with;
    - (iii) business is then interrupted following the procedure in sub-paragraph (a);
  - (c) the Chair announces the grievance debate or matter of public importance, whichever the case may be;
  - (d) any business under discussion and not completed at the interruption will be resumed immediately at the end of the grievance debate or matter of public importance, whichever the case may be, and any member speaking at the time of the interruption may then continue his or her speech.

- (3) In Standing Order 39(9) for 'statements on parliamentary committee reports under SO 41' read 'government business'.

#### **4 Answers to questions on notice**

A reply to a question on notice delivered to the Clerk under Standing Order 54(3) must be submitted within 30 days.

#### **5 Who may ask oral questions without notice**

Only non-government members may ask questions without notice under Standing Order 55.

#### **6 Supplementary questions without notice**

- (1) At the conclusion of each answer to an oral question without notice, the questioning member may ask the responding minister a supplementary question to elucidate or clarify the answer.
- (2) Supplementary questions must actually and accurately relate to the original question, must relate to or arise from the answer and must not be a separate question on the same topic.

#### **7 Ministers' statements**

After each oral question without notice and any related supplementary questions, any minister may seek the call to make a statement of up to two minutes.

#### **8 Constituency questions**

- (1) At the conclusion of oral questions without notice and ministers' statements, five government members and five non-government members may ask one oral question each to ministers relating to constituency matters.
- (2) Replies to constituency questions must be given in writing within 30 days by delivering a reply to the Clerk. The Clerk must give the response to the member who asked the question and electronically publish the response.

#### **9 Duration of question time**

Standing Order 55(2) is suspended and the following to apply:

Question time will last until five oral questions and related supplementary questions have been answered, up to five ministers' statements have been made and up to ten constituency questions have been asked and where a question is ruled out of order it is, for the purposes of this sessional order, deemed to have been answered.

#### **10 Time limits on answers and questions**

- (1) The time limit for each oral question, supplementary question and constituency question is one minute.

- (2) The time limit for the answer to each oral question is three minutes, and for the answer to each supplementary question is one minute.

### **11 Content of answers**

Standing Order 58(1)(a) is suspended and all answers to questions must be direct, factual, succinct and relevant.

### **12 Chair ordering member to withdraw — application during oral questions without notice and ministers' statements**

Where:

- (1) a member is ordered to withdraw from the House under Standing Order 124 during oral questions without notice or ministers' statements; and
- (2) the time for oral questions without notice and ministers' statements ends before the end of the suspension period —

the member may return to the Chamber after the time for oral questions without notice and ministers' statements but must serve the remainder of their suspension during the next question time, subject to Standing Order 124(2).

### **13 Time limit for lead speakers**

For the purposes of Standing Order 131, and subject to any agreement to the contrary, additional time provided for the lead speaker of any other party does not apply where such a party has advised the Speaker that it is in a coalition arrangement with another party.

### **14 Notices of motion**

Standing Orders 140(1) and 141 are suspended and the following to apply:

- (1) A member may only move a motion to discuss a subject if he or she has given notice of that motion on a previous sitting day.
- (2) Copies of all verbal notices must be provided to the Clerks at the table before notices are called on by the Speaker.
- (3) Copies of all written notices must be provided to the Clerks at the table before the conclusion of formal business.
- (4) All notices given by ministers must be verbal.
- (5) Verbal notices must be read to the House. They can only be given before the House proceeds to the business of the day as set out in the notice paper.

- (6) All notices, except notices given under paragraph (7) given by members who are not ministers, must be given in writing. Members may give notice by lodging a copy with the Clerks in accordance with paragraph (3).
- (7) A motion by a member expressing no confidence in the Premier and ministers, in the terms set out in s 8A of the *Constitution Act 1975*, may only be given verbally.
- (8) The Clerk must notify the Speaker of a notice of a motion by a member to disallow a statutory rule to which Standing Order 151 applies, and the Speaker will report details to the House at the first convenient opportunity.

### **15 Procedure for a division**

Standing Order 164(1) is suspended and the following to apply:

When a division is requested, the Clerk will ring the bells for four minutes as indicated by the timer.

### **16 Redactions**

The Standing Orders Committee (the Committee) is empowered to authorise redactions from a document published by the House, Assembly Hansard, official broadcast footage of the Assembly Chamber or an Assembly Committee, a petition, or a document tabled under Standing Order 171 on safety or security grounds using the following process:

- (1) A person, including a member of Parliament, may write to the Clerk and request the redaction including details of the nature of the safety or security risk and how redaction would reduce or remove this risk. The Clerk will then forward that request to the Committee as soon as practicable.
- (2) If the Committee is satisfied there is a safety or security risk and the redaction is warranted, the Committee may approve the request. All members present at the meeting must unanimously agree for the Committee's decision to be effective.
- (3) The Clerk will inform the person who made the request of the Committee's decision. Where the Committee unanimously approves the redaction, the Clerk must take all necessary steps to give effect to the Committee's decision.
- (4) A redaction does not affect the protections provided by ss 73, 74 or 74AA of the *Constitution Act 1975*.
- (5) The Clerk must include a statement of the number of redactions made and the type of document they were redacted from, excluding any identifying information, in the annual report of the Department of the Legislative Assembly.
- (6) The Committee may issue guidelines on the operation of this sessional order.

## 17 Electronic petitions

- (1) A person (the sponsoring petitioner) may lodge a request to start an electronic petition (e-petition) with the Clerk for publication on the Parliament's website.
- (2) Standing Orders 45 to 52 apply except in relation to the requirement for a petitioner's signature.
- (3) The sponsoring petitioner must provide the following information to the Clerk:
  - (a) the issue (maximum 200 words) and action requested (maximum 120 words);
  - (b) their full name and address; and
  - (c) the name of the member sponsoring the e-petition.
- (4) Before the e-petition is published, the Clerk will review the wording of the e-petition to ensure it conforms with standing orders and confirm that the sponsoring member has agreed to sponsor the e-petition.
- (5) The sponsoring member must nominate a period (the posted period) that the e-petition will be available to sign on the Parliament's website and:
  - (a) the posted period must be a minimum of one week and a maximum of six months from the date of publication;
  - (b) if the Assembly is due to expire under s 28(2) of the *Constitution Act 1975* within six months from the date of publication of an e-petition, the Clerk will determine the maximum posted period;
  - (c) the sponsoring member may request the Clerk to change the posted period before it ends, provided the maximum period is not exceeded.
- (6) A member must not sign an e-petition they have sponsored.
- (7) Once published, an e-petition cannot be altered but the sponsoring member may request the Clerk withdraw it.
- (8) Residents of Victoria may become signatories to an e-petition by electronically providing their name, address and signifying their intention to join the e-petition.
- (9) The Clerk will table the e-petition on the next sitting day after the posted period has ended.
- (10) E-petitions about the same issue and requesting the same action are not allowed simultaneously. However, once an e-petition has been tabled, a new e-petition can be started.

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**18 Motion to disallow a pandemic order and requirement for a joint sitting**

- (1) After a member has given notice of a motion to disallow in whole or in part a pandemic order or instrument in accordance with s 165AU of the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*, a minister must move a motion to hold a joint sitting to consider the disallowance motion.<sup>◇</sup> The minister must move the motion by the end of the next sitting day after notice of the disallowance motion is given.
- (2) A motion to hold a joint sitting can be moved without notice or leave at any break in business.
- (3) Debate on a motion to hold a joint sitting will last for a maximum of 30 minutes or until six members have spoken, whichever is the shorter.

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<sup>◇</sup> Under s 165AU of the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*, a joint sitting must be held within three months of a member giving notice of a disallowance motion.