



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

No. 144 — Thursday, 24 February 2022

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1 The President took the Chair at 10.04 a.m., read the Prayer and made an Acknowledgement of Country.

2 **PETITIONS —**

SAVE THE NATIVE TIMBER INDUSTRY — Ms Bath presented a Petition bearing 353 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council call on the Government to overturn its flawed and appalling decision to shut down the native timber industry and close loopholes that allow legal action by green lawfare groups to shut down harvesting operations.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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SHELTERS FOR LOCAL TRAM AND BUS STOPS — Ms Crozier presented a Petition bearing 7 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council call on the Government to respond to the needs of public transport commuters in the Hawthorn electorate by constructing adequate shelters at tram stop 48 on Riversdale Road in Camberwell, tram stop 36 on Riversdale Road in Hawthorn East, the bus stop at the intersection of Daphne and Canterbury Road in Canterbury and any other tram and bus stops in the electorate that warrant the construction of similar shelters.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

3 **PAPERS —**

VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2021 ROYAL COMMISSION INTO INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSES TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE — Ms Symes moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Victorian Government Annual Report 2021 on the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse.

Question — put and agreed to.

The Report was presented by Ms Symes and ordered to lie on the Table.

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PAPERS PURSUANT TO STATUTE — The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid on the Table by the Clerk:

Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority — Report, 2020-21.

Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978 —

Minister's Order of 12 December 2021 giving approval to the granting of a lease and licence at Old Springfield Cheese Factory.

Minister's Order of 22 December 2021 giving approval to the granting of a licence at Flinders Foreshore Reserve.

Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010 — National Education and Care Services Freedom of Information Commissioner, Privacy Commissioner & Ombudsman — Report, 2020-21.

Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 —

Documents under section 15 in respect of Statutory Rule Nos.156/2021, 17/2022 to 19/2022.

Legislative Instruments and related documents under section 16B in respect of a Determination of Gaming Machine Entitlement Allocation and Transfer Rules of 14 February 2022 under the Gambling Regulation Act 2003.

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PROCLAMATIONS — Proclamations of the Governor in Council fixing operative dates in respect of the following Acts were laid on the Table by the Clerk:

Energy Legislation Amendment (Energy Fairness) Act 2021 — Remaining provisions — 1 March 2022 (*Gazette No. S87, 22 February 2022*).

Terrorism (Community Protection) Amendment Act 2021 — sections 5(3), 8(1) (other than paragraph (b)), 9(2) (other than paragraph (b)), 9(3), 12, 13, 15(7), 15(8), 15(9), 15(10), 15(11), 17, 18(2) and 29 — 24 February 2022 (*Gazette No. S87, 22 February 2022*).

4 SITTING OF THE COUNCIL — Ms Symes moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 8 March 2022.

Question — put and agreed to.

5 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS — Statements were made by Members pursuant to Standing Order 5.13 and further statements were received from Members for incorporation in Hansard pursuant to an Order of the Council of 7 September 2021.

6 BUSINESS POSTPONED — Ordered — That the consideration of Notices of Motion, Government Business, Nos. 683 and 691, be postponed until later this day.

7 DOMESTIC ANIMALS AMENDMENT (REUNITING PETS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL 2021 — Debate resumed on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Business having been interrupted at 12.00 noon pursuant to Sessional Orders —

8 QUESTIONS AND MINISTERS' STATEMENTS — Questions without notice were taken and Ministers' Statements were made pursuant to Sessional Order 13.

EMERGENCY SERVICES TELECOMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY (ESTA) — EMERGENCY CALL PROCESS — Ms Symes having given answers to a question without notice and supplementary question relating to the ESTA's emergency calls process —

On the motion of Ms Crozier, the Minister's answers were ordered to be taken into consideration on the next day of meeting.

QUESTIONS — Questions without notice and Ministers' Statements continued.

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QUESTIONS DIRECTED FOR WRITTEN RESPONSE — The President directed written responses be provided to questions without notice pursuant to Standing Order 8.07 as follows:

- **Political donations disclosure** — substantive and supplementary questions asked by Mr Hayes — response from Ms Symes due Monday, 28 February 2022.
- **Victoria Police property storage management** — substantive and supplementary questions asked by Mr Quilty — response from Ms Tierney due Monday, 28 February 2022.

9 CONSTITUENCY QUESTIONS — Constituency questions were taken pursuant to Standing Order 8.08 and further questions were received from Members for incorporation in Hansard pursuant to an Order of the Council of 7 September 2021.

10 DOMESTIC ANIMALS AMENDMENT (REUNITING PETS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL 2021 — Debate continued on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question — put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

Bill reported without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Bill returned to the Assembly with a Message informing them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

11 HEALTH LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (QUALITY AND SAFETY) BILL 2021 — Debate resumed on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question — put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

Bill reported without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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12 PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLBEING AMENDMENT BILL 2022 — The Deputy President read a Message from the Assembly presenting *A Bill for an Act to amend the Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008 and the Livestock Disease Control Act 1994 and for other purposes* and requesting the agreement of the Council.

On the motion of Ms Symes, the Bill was read a first time and, by leave, ordered to be read a second time forthwith.

Ms Symes laid on the Table the statement of compatibility as required by the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

On the motion of Ms Symes, the second reading speech was incorporated into Hansard.

Ms Symes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Mr Ondarchie (for Ms Crozier), the debate was adjourned for one week.

13 WORKPLACE SAFETY LEGISLATION AND OTHER MATTERS AMENDMENT BILL 2021 — The Deputy President read a Message from the Assembly presenting *A Bill for an Act to amend the Accident Compensation Act 1985, the Dangerous Goods Act 1985, the Equipment (Public Safety) Act 1994, the Firefighters' Presumptive Rights Compensation and Fire Services Legislation Amendment (Reform) Act 2019, the Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Act 2014, the Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004, the Workplace Injury Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2013 and the Victims of Crime Assistance Act 1996 and for other purposes* and requesting the agreement of the Council.

On the motion of Ms Pulford (for Ms Stitt), the Bill was read a first time and, by leave, ordered to be read a second time forthwith.

Ms Pulford laid on the Table the statement of compatibility as required by the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

On the motion of Ms Pulford, the second reading speech was incorporated into Hansard.

Ms Pulford moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Mr Ondarchie, the debate was adjourned for one week.

14 ALPINE RESORTS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2022 — The Deputy President read a Message from the Assembly presenting *A Bill for an Act to amend the Alpine Resorts (Management) Act 1997 to repeal the establishment of the Alpine Resort Management Boards and the Alpine Resorts Co-ordinating Council by that Act, to establish Alpine Resorts Victoria, to make consequential and related amendments to that Act and other Acts and for other purpose* and requesting the agreement of the Council.

On the motion of Ms Pulford (for Mr Leane), the Bill was read a first time and, by leave, ordered to be read a second time forthwith.

Ms Pulford laid on the Table the statement of compatibility as required by the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

On the motion of Ms Pulford, the second reading speech was incorporated into Hansard.

Ms Pulford moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Mr Ondarchie (for Mr Davis), the debate was adjourned for one week.

15 ADJOURNMENT — Ms Pulford moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued and further adjournment matters were received from Members for incorporation in Hansard pursuant to an Order of the Council of 7 September 2021.

And then the Council, at 5.51 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, 8 March 2022.

ANDREW YOUNG
Clerk of the Legislative Council