

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SESSION OF 2024 - 2025

(FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT)

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 51 TUESDAY, 10 JUNE 2025

UNCORRECTED PROOF

- 1 **COUNCIL MEETS.** The Council met at 11.00 o'clock a.m.
- **2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL PEOPLE.** The President said: "We meet today on Tasmanian Aboriginal land. We acknowledge and pay respect to the Tasmanian Aboriginal people and elders, past and present. We recognise them as the first inhabitants and the continuing custodians of this land."
- **PRAYERS.** The President read Prayers.
- **4 PAPER.** The Clerk of the Council laid upon the Table the Veterinary Board of Tasmania Approval of Fees for 2025-26.
- **5 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE.** *Ordered*, That Ms *Palmer* have leave to move a Motion without Notice.
- 6 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS: QUESTION TIME.— *Ordered*, That so much of Standing Orders be suspended so as to not proceed with Question time for this day's sitting. (Ms *Palmer*)
- **7 BILL NO. 32.** A Message from the House of Assembly:—

MR PRESIDENT,

The House of Assembly hath passed a Bill, intituled — 'A Bill for an Act to make interim provision for the appropriation of \$4 583 430 000 out of the Public Account for the services of the Government for the financial year ending on 30 June 2026',

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

House of Assembly, 10 June 2025

MICHELLE O'BYRNE, Speaker

The Bill was read the First time.

8 BILL NO. 33.— A Message from the House of Assembly:—

MR PRESIDENT,

The House of Assembly hath passed a Bill, intituled — 'A Bill for an Act to make interim provision for the appropriation of \$29 598 000 out of the Public Account for the services of the Government in respect of Parliament and Statutory Offices for the financial year ending on 30 June 2026',

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

House of Assembly, 10 June 2025

MICHELLE O'BYRNE, Speaker

The Bill was read the First time.

- **9 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE.** *Ordered*, That Ms *Palmer* have leave to move a Motion without Notice.
- **10 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.** *Ordered*, That so much of Standing Orders be suspended to allow the Bills to pass through their remaining stages at such time as the Council may appoint and without an endorsed copy having been distributed to Members. (Ms *Palmer*)

Ordered, That the Second reading of these Bills be made an Order of the Day for a later hour. (Ms Palmer)

11 SITTING SUSPENDED.—*Resolved*, That the Sitting of the Council be suspended until the ringing of the Division bells. (Ms *Palmer*)

The Sitting was suspended at 11.06 o'clock a.m. and resumed at 2.30 o'clock p.m.

- **12 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE.** *Ordered*, That Ms *Palmer* have leave to move a Motion without Notice.
- **SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.** *Ordered*, That so much of Sessional Orders relating to the 4.00 o'clock p.m. break be suspended so as to enable the Council to sit beyond 4.00 o'clock p.m. for this day's sitting. (Ms *Palmer*)
- **14 BILL NO. 32.** The Order of the Day was read for the Second reading of the Supply Bill (No. 1) 2025.

A Motion was made (Ms *Palmer*), and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read the Second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put,

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Bill was, accordingly, read the Second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole Council.

And the President having left the Chair, the Council resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee)

Ms Forrest in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clauses 4 and 5 postponed.

Schedule 1, Request made. (Ms Palmer)

That the House of Assembly be requested to amend item 10, in respect of the Operating Services for the Premier, by deleting "28 862" and substituting "26 862".

Schedule 1 agreed to with Request and without Amendment

Postponed Clauses 4 and 5 further considered and agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with Request and without Amendment.

The Council being resumed, Ms *Forrest* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed her to report the same to the Council with Request and without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Request be taken into consideration forthwith. (Ms Palmer)

The Council accordingly proceed to take the same into consideration.

The Request was read a First time.

The said Request being read the Second time was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be transmitted to the House of Assembly returning Supply Bill (No. 1) 2025 with Request.

15 BILL 32. — A Message to the House of Assembly:—

HONOURABLE SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having taken into consideration a Bill intituled —

'A Bill for an Act to make interim provision for the appropriation of \$4 583 430 000 out of the Public Account for the services of the Government for the financial year ending on 30 June 2026',

begs now to return the same to the House of Assembly, with a Request that the House of Assembly make therein the following amendment:

'Schedule 1, Item 10, in respect of the Operating Services for the Premier, by deleting "28 862" and substituting "26 862".'

Legislative Council, 10 June 2025

C.M. FARRELL, President

16 BILL NO. 33.— The Order of the Day was read for the Second reading of the Supply Bill (No. 2) 2025.

A Motion was made (Ms *Palmer*), and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read the Second time.

A Debate arose thereupon.

And the Question being put,

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Bill was, accordingly, read the Second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole Council.

And the President having left the Chair, the Council resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee)

Ms Forrest in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clauses 4 and 5 postponed.

Schedule 1 agreed to without Request and without Amendment

Postponed Clauses 4 and 5 further considered and agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without Request and without Amendment.

The Council being resumed, Ms *Forrest* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed her to report the same to the Council without Request and without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the Third time. (Ms Palmer)

The Bill was read the Third time and passed.

17 BILL NO. 33.— A Message to the House of Assembly:—

HONOURABLE SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed, without Request and without Amendment, to Bill a intituled —

'A Bill for an Act to make interim provision for the appropriation of \$29 598 000 out of the Public Account for the services of the Government in respect of Parliament and Statutory Offices for the financial year ending on 30 June 2026',

now returns the same to the House of Assembly.

Legislative Council, 10 June 2025

C.M. FARRELL, President

18 SITTING SUSPENDED.—*Resolved*, That the Sitting of the Council be suspended until the ringing of the Division bells. (Ms *Palmer*)

The Sitting was suspended at 4.10 o'clock p.m. and resumed at 4.45 o'clock p.m.

19 BILL NO. 32.— A Message from the House of Assembly:—

MR PRESIDENT,

The House of Assembly has made the Amendment requested by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled "A Bill for an Act to make interim provision for the appropriation of \$4 583 430 000 out of the Public Account for the services of the Government for the financial year ending on 30 June 2026".

House of Assembly, 10 June 2025

MICHELLE O'BYRNE, Speaker

- **20 BILL NO. 32.** The Supply Bill (No. 1) 2025 was read the Third time and passed.
- 21 BILL NO. 32.— A Message to the House of Assembly:—

HONOURABLE SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to a Bill intituled —

"A Bill for an Act to make interim provision for the appropriation of \$4 583 430 000 out of the Public Account for the services of the Government for the financial year ending on 30 June 2026",

as amended by the House of Assembly following the Legislative Council's Request and now returns the same to the House.

Legislative Council, 10 June 2025

C.M. FARRELL, President

22 ADJOURNMENT.— *Resolved*, That the Council will at its rising adjourn until 11.00 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, 1 July 2025. (Ms *Palmer*)

Resolved, That the Council do now adjourn. (Ms Palmer)

The Council adjourned at 4.47 o'clock p.m.

C. L. VICKERS, Clerk of the Council.

Briefing:

• Supply Bill (No. 1) 2025 and Supply Bill (No. 2) 2025

PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA A PROCLAMATION

Whereas it is expedient that the Parliament of Tasmania should be prorogued, I, the Honourable Barbara Baker, Companion of the Order of Australia, Governor in and over the State of Tasmania and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, exercising the power and authority vested in me by the *Constitution Act 1934*, hereby prorogue the Parliament effective from 7.00 pm on this day.

GIVEN under my hand at Hobart in Tasmania on 11 June 2025.

BARBARA BAKER, Governor.

By Her Excellency's Command, JEREMY ROCKLIFF, Premier.

PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA A PROCLAMATION

Whereas it is expedient that the House of Assembly of the Parliament of Tasmania should be dissolved, I, the Honourable Barbara Baker, Companion of the Order of Australia, Governor in and over the State of Tasmania and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, exercising the power and authority vested in me by the *Constitution Act 1934*, hereby dissolve the said House of Assembly effective from 7:11 pm on this day.

GIVEN under my hand at Hobart in Tasmania on 11 June 2025.

BARBARA BAKER, Governor.

By Her Excellency's Command, JEREMY ROCKLIFF, Premier.