



**LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**REPORT ON THE CONSIDERATION IN DETAIL OF
CLAUSES 22 TO 28 OF THE
LIQUOR CONTROL REFORM AMENDMENT BILL 2007**

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EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Wednesday, 5 December 2007

12 LIQUOR CONTROL REFORM AMENDMENT BILL 2007 — Debate continued on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Ms Hartland announced that she proposed to move amendments in Committee and requested that they be circulated.

Accordingly, the amendments were circulated.

Debate continued.

Question — put and agreed to.

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

House in Committee.

The Acting President resumed the Chair; and the Deputy President reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill and asked leave to sit again.

Bill to be again considered in Committee of the whole on the next day of meeting.

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Mr P.R. Davis moved, That the remaining clauses 22 to 28 inclusive, of the Liquor Control Reform Amendment Bill 2007, be referred to the Legislation Committee.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and agreed to.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

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REPORT

The Legislation Committee of the Legislative Council, appointed pursuant to the Resolution of the Council on 17 April 2007, reports as follows:

1. The Legislation Committee is established by Standing Order 16.01 of the Legislative Council. The function of the Committee, prescribed by Standing Order 16.02, is to consider in detail a Bill or series of related Bills referred to the Committee by the Council and to report to the Council on the Committee's consideration of the Bill, which may include any recommendations for amendments to the Bill(s).
2. On Wednesday, 5 December 2007, on the motion of Mr P.R. Davis, the House resolved to refer clauses 22 to 28 of the Liquor Control Reform Amendment Bill 2007, to the Legislation Committee. The Bill is the first to be referred to the Legislation Committee in the 56th Parliament.
3. The Committee met on Thursday, 6 December 2007 to consider the Bill with Mr A.G. Robinson, Minister for Consumer Affairs in attendance, who indicated the Government's preparedness to withdraw clause 22 from the Bill.
4. The Committee resolved to omit clause 22 from the referred clauses. The omission of this clause is found in both the Schedule of Recommendations and Minutes of Proceedings which follow.
5. The Committee's consideration of the referred clauses is found in the Minutes of the Proceedings included in this Report. The Hansard transcript of proceedings, including the Minister's evidence, is also included in this Report. Following this consideration, the Committee recommends that this Report be adopted.

Committee Room,
6 December 2007

SCHEDULE OF AMENDMENT RECOMMENDED

Recommendation 1

The Committee recommends that Clause 22 be omitted.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

The Minutes of the public proceedings of the Legislation Committee in relation to consideration in detail of the Liquor Control Reform Amendment Bill 2007 were as follows:

THURSDAY, 6 DECEMBER 2007

The Committee met in the Legislative Council Committee Room to consider the Liquor Control Reform Amendment Bill 2007.

Members Present: Mr B. N. Atkinson, MLC (Chair)
Ms C. C. Broad, MLC (Deputy Chair)
Mr D.K. Drum, MLC
Ms C.M. Hartland, MLC
Ms W.A. Lovell, MLC
Ms J. Mikakos, MLC
Ms J. L. Pulford, MLC

Witnesses: Mr A.G. Robinson, MP, Minister for Consumer Affairs

Also in attendance: Mr P.R. Davis, MLC
Mr A. Young, Assistant Clerk – Committees
Mr R. McDonald, Manager, Chamber Support
Ms L. Kaerger, Senior Client Services Officer

1. Meeting Opened

The Chair declared the meeting open at 1.25 p.m.

2. Consideration in detail

Clause 22.

Question — That clause 22 stand part of the Bill — put and negatived.

Clause 22 omitted.

Clause 23.

Ms Lovell moved **Amendment No. 14**,

Clause 23, lines 23 and 24, omit "or is otherwise not in the public interest".

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and negatived.

Question — That clause 23 stand part of the Bill — put and agreed to.

Clauses 24 to 28 — agreed to.

Consideration of the Bill concluded.

Adjournment

The Committee adjourned its deliberations at 1.41 p.m.