



Legislative Council Daily Summary

Wednesday, 6 May 2009

LEGISLATION

For full text of bills and other associated documents please see www.parliament.vic.gov.au

The following bills were received on message from the Legislative Assembly:

- Parliamentary Salaries and Superannuation Amendment Bill 2009
- Crimes Amendment (Identity Crime) Bill 2009

The following bill received its Second Reading:

- Environment Protection Amendment (Beverage Container Deposit and Recovery Scheme) Bill 2009

COMMITTEE REPORTS TABLED

- Law Reform Committee — Inquiry into Alternative Dispute Resolution and Restorative Justice
- Scrutiny of Acts and Regulations Committee — Report on the Legislation Reform (Repeals No.4) Bill 2009
- Scrutiny of Acts and Regulations Committee — Alert Digest No. 5 of 2009 from the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee — 2008-09 Budget Estimates

SPECIAL REPORTS TABLED

- Budget Papers, 2009-10
- Australian Catholic University Report, 2008
- Melbourne College of Divinity Report, 2008
- Auditor-General's Report on Management of School Funds, May 2009
- Auditor-General's Report on Results of Audits for Entities with other than 30 June 2008 Balance Dates, May 2009
- Auditor-General's Report on The Channel Deepening Project, May 2009
- Auditor-General's Report on The New Royal Children's Hospital – a public private partnership, May 2009
- Auditor-General's Office — Annual Plan, 2009-10

A full list of all papers tabled pursuant to Statute is available in the Minutes of the Proceedings.

PETITIONS

- Ashburton Police Station — Mr D.M. Davis (595 signatures)
- Gaming Machine Entitlements — Mr Atkinson (16,694 signatures)
- Churchill Park Golf Course — Mrs Peulich (477 signatures)

MOTIONS

The following motions were debated and agreed to in the House:

- That in accordance with Sessional Order 21, there be tabled in the Council by 4.00 p.m. on 2 June 2009 a copy of all documents, studies, evaluations and briefing papers produced by the Victorian Government or its agents concerning the impact of the Commonwealth Government's proposed Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme on the Victorian economy held by the Department of Treasury and Finance, including studies of the economic impact and the impact on Victoria's climate change policies and/or on voluntary emission reduction activities.

— Mr D.M. Davis

- That in accordance with Sessional Order 21, there be tabled in the Council by 4.00 p.m. on 2 June 2009 a copy of —
 - (1) all documents, including memorandums, reports, briefing documents, correspondence, meeting notes or reports concerning the company Better Place, including all proposals and analyses of proposals put by that company to the State Government, its Ministers or other officers, including the former Parliamentary Secretary assisting the Premier on the National Reform Agenda and Innovation, Mr Evan Thornley, by the Better Place company or its agents; and
 - (2) all studies, evaluations, briefing papers and other documents concerning electric cars that are held by the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development, the Department of Premier and Cabinet, the Office of the Premier, the Office of the Minister for Industry and Trade and the Office of the Minister for Innovation

— Mr D.M. Davis

The following motion was debated and defeated in the House:

- That this House notes that—
 - (1) the State Government under first the Hon. Steve Bracks and now the Hon. John Brumby as Premier and now nearing the completion of its tenth year in Office has squandered the opportunities provided to it by the strong national economic conditions that prevailed through almost the entirety of its period in Office and the massive growth in revenue it has received from direct taxes on Victorians and notes that the Government has failed to capitalise on these historic opportunities instead failing to deliver the growth in key services Victorians deserve and expect; and

- (2) the State Government has failed to provide the critical infrastructure through this period that would have provided an economic advantage to Victorians and the Victorian economy and greater job security in the more challenging economic times we now face.

— Mr D.M. Davis

The following motion was debated in General Business:

- That this House acknowledges the tragic impact of the recent bushfires on many Victorians and Victorian communities and notes the role and responsibilities of the State Government and the Royal Commission in the aftermath of the fires.

— Mr Hall

Notices were given of the following motions:

- **MR KOCH** — To move —
That this House condemns the Minister for Mental Health, Community Services and Senior Victorians for the gross misuse of tax payer funds chartering air services from Essendon to Portland for \$5445 after having confirmed an earlier commercial flight with Sharp Aviation out of Avalon for two at a cost of \$894 and further notes that no valid reason has been forthcoming for this expenditure that is recognised as excessive especially as Sharp Aviation takes in Avalon on its Essendon to Portland route and believes the arrogance of Brumby Government Ministers' expenditure on transport and the flippancy by which it was incurred may well be unprecedented.
- **MRS COOTE** — To move —
That this House condemns the Premier for his Government's clearways policy, as traders, local councils, and residents were not properly consulted before the implementation of the policy, and there is still mass confusion regarding the parking restrictions under the policy.
- **MRS COOTE** — To move —
That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the fact police patrol hours have decreased significantly in the cities of Stonnington (24%), Port Phillip (29%) and Glen Eira (40%) since 2002-03, resulting in residents being fearful for their safety while walking the streets.

The following notices of intention to make a statement on a report or paper were given:

- Auditor-General's Report on the Administration of the Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988 (Mr Barber).
- Auditor-General's Report on The New Royal Children's Hospital – a public private partnership, May 2009 (Mrs Kronberg and Mrs Petrovich).
- Auditor-General's Report on Management of School Funds, May 2009 (Mrs Peulich).
- Parks Victoria Report, 2007-08 (Mr P.R. Davis).

- Safe Drinking Water Act 2003 — Report on Drinking Water Quality in Victoria, 2007-08 (Mr Elasmár).
- Department of Human Services Report, 2007-08 (Mrs Coote).
- Auditor-General's Report on Results of Audits for Entities with other than 30 June 2008 Balance Dates, May 2009 (Mr Rich-Phillips).
- Kyneton District Health Service Report, 2007-08 (Ms Tierney).
- Deakin University Report, 2008 (Mr Vogels).
- Auditor-General's Report on The Channel Deepening Project, May 2009 (Mr D.M. Davis).

ALSO IN THE COUNCIL

Question Time

Members' Statements

Adjournment debate

The next sitting is on Thursday, 7 May 2009 at 9:30 a.m.

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