

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Nos 174, 175 and 176

No 174 — Tuesday 31 March 2026

The House started at 12.00 noon.

- 1 The House met according to the resolution of the House on 19 March 2026 — The Speaker took the Chair, read the Prayer and made an Acknowledgement of Country.
- 2 **DANGEROUS GOODS TRANSPORT BILL 2026** — Ben Carroll introduced ‘A Bill for an Act to regulate the transport of dangerous goods by vessel on inland waters, by road or by rail, to promote public safety, to protect property and the environment from harm, to repeal the ***Dangerous Goods Act 1985*** and for other purposes’; and, after debate, the Bill was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow.
- 3 **OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY AMENDMENT (DANGEROUS GOODS) BILL 2026** — Ben Carroll introduced ‘A Bill for an Act to amend the ***Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004*** to regulate the handling, and activities involving the handling, of dangerous goods including security sensitive ammonium nitrate and explosives at workplaces and other places and for other purposes’; and, after debate, the Bill was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow.
- 4 **PETITION** — The Clerk announced that the following petition had been lodged for presentation:

Mornington Peninsula erosion management overlay — Requesting that the Legislative Assembly asks the Minister for Planning and the Government to reject the proposed Mornington Peninsula erosion management overlay, direct the Mornington Peninsula Shire Council to assess the risk and consequences of landslides and conduct community consultation to produce a revised overlay proposal, bearing 957 signatures (*Chris Crewther*).

Ordered to be tabled.

- 5 **PETITION — MORNINGTON PENINSULA EROSION MANAGEMENT OVERLAY** — Motion made and question — That the petition presented by the Member for Mornington be taken into consideration tomorrow (*Chris Crewther*) — put and agreed to.
- 6 **DOCUMENTS**

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES COMMITTEE — Sarah Connolly, Chair, tabled a report from the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee on the Inquiry into the 2024–25 financial and performance outcomes, together with extracts from the proceedings and transcripts of evidence.

Report and extracts from the proceedings ordered to be published.

SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE — Gary Maas, Chair, tabled the Alert Digest No 5 of 2026 from the Scrutiny of Acts and Regulations Committee on the:

Building and Plumbing Administration and Enforcement Bill 2026
 Cladding Safety Victoria Repeal Bill 2026
 Equal Opportunity Amendment (Medical Treatment) Bill 2026
 Regulatory Legislation Amendment (Reform) Bill 2026
 SR No 118 — Corrections Amendment Regulations 2025

together with appendices.

Ordered to be published.

DOCUMENTS TABLED UNDER ACTS OF PARLIAMENT — The Clerk tabled:

Auditor-General — Results of 2024–25 Audits: Local Government — released on 30 March 2026

Health, Department of — Report 2024–25 under s 32 of the *Safe Drinking Water Act 2003*

Members of Parliament (Standards) Act 1978 — Register of Interests — Returns submitted by Members of the Legislative Assembly — Ordinary Returns 1 July 2025 to 31 January 2026 (two volumes) — Ordered to be published

Parliamentary Budget Office — Operational Plan 2026–27

Planning and Environment Act 1987 — Notices of approval of amendments to the following Planning Schemes:

Banyule — C172
 Glen Eira — C278
 Melbourne — C494
 Victoria Planning Provisions — VC300, VC304

Statutory Rules under the following Acts:

Bail Act 1977 — SR 18
Victorian Energy Efficiency Target Act 2007 — SR 19
Wildlife Act 1975 — SR 20

Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 — Documents under s 15 in relation to Statutory Rules 16, 18.

- 7 **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL** — Agreeing to the Electoral Amendment Bill 2025 with amendments.

Ordered — That the amendments be taken into consideration immediately.

- 8 **ELECTORAL AMENDMENT BILL 2025** — Order read for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council.

After debate, the amendments were agreed to.

Message sent to the Legislative Council informing them accordingly.

- 9 **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL** — Agreeing to the Justice Legislation Further Amendment (Miscellaneous) Bill 2025 with amendments.

Ordered — That the amendments be taken into consideration later this day.

- 10 **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL** — Entities Legislation Amendment (Consolidation and Other Matters) Bill 2025 — Not insisting on their amendments and agreeing to the Legislative Assembly's further amendments.

- 11 **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR — ASSENT TO BILLS** — Informing the Legislative Assembly that she had given the royal assent to the following bills, presented to her by the Clerk of the Parliaments:

On 24 March 2026

National Gas (Victoria) Amendment Bill 2025

On 31 March 2026

Entities Legislation Amendment (Consolidation and Other Matters) Bill 2025.

- 12 **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR** — Recommending appropriations for the purposes of the following bills:

Building and Plumbing Administration and Enforcement Bill 2026

Cladding Safety Victoria Repeal Bill 2026.

- 13 **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAM** — Motion made and question — That, under SO 94(2), the Orders of the Day, Government Business, relating to the following items be considered and completed by 5.00 pm on 2 April 2026:

Cladding Safety Victoria Repeal Bill 2026

Restoring TAFE in Victoria — motion

Big Housing Build — motion

Building and Plumbing Administration and Enforcement Bill 2026 —

(Mary-Anne Thomas) — after debate, put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Maree Edwards, in the Chair) —

AYES 51

Juliana Addison; Jacinta Allan; Colin Brooks; Josh Bull; Anthony Carbines; Ben Carroll; Anthony Cianflone; Sarah Connolly; Jordan Crugnale; Lily D'Ambrosio; Daniela De Martino; Steve Dimopoulos; Paul Edbrooke; Eden Foster; Will Fowles; Matt Fregon; Ella George; Luba Grigorovitch; Bronwyn Halfpenny; Katie Hall; Paul Hamer; Martha Haylett; Mathew Hilakari; Melissa Horne; Natalie Hutchins; Lauren Kathage; Sonya Kilkenny; Nathan Lambert; John Lister; Gary Maas; Alison Marchant; Kathleen Matthews-Ward; Steve McGhie; Paul Mercurio; John Mullahy; Danny Pearson; Pauline Richards; Michaela Settle; Ros Spence; Nick Staikos; Natalie Suleyman; Meng Heang Tak; Jackson Taylor; Nina Taylor; Kat Theophanous; Mary-Anne Thomas; Iwan Walters; Vicki Ward; Dylan Wight; Gabrielle Williams; Belinda Wilson.

NOES 27

Brad Battin; Jade Benham; Roma Britnell; Tim Bull; Martin Cameron; Annabelle Cleeland; Chris Crewther; Wayne Farnham; Matthew Guy; David Hodgett; Emma Kealy; Tim McCurdy; Cindy McLeish; James Newbury; Danny O'Brien; Michael O'Brien; Kim O'Keeffe; John Pesutto; Richard Riordan; Brad Rowsell; David Southwick; Bridget Vallence; Peter Walsh; Kim Wells; Nicole Werner; Rachel Westaway; Jess Wilson.

Question agreed to.

14 **STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS** — Members made statements.

15 **JUSTICE LEGISLATION FURTHER AMENDMENT (MISCELLANEOUS) BILL 2025** — Order read for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council.

After debate, the amendments were agreed to.

Message sent to the Legislative Council informing them accordingly.

16 **CLADDING SAFETY VICTORIA REPEAL BILL 2026** — Order read for resuming debate on question — That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed.

Business interrupted at 2.00 pm under sessional orders.

17 **QUESTION TIME.**

18 **CONSTITUENCY QUESTIONS.**

19 **CLADDING SAFETY VICTORIA REPEAL BILL 2026** — Debate continued on question — That this Bill be now read a second time.

Business interrupted at 7.00 pm under sessional orders.

20 **ADJOURNMENT** — The Speaker announced that the time for the adjournment of the House had arrived and, after debate, left the Chair at 7.28 pm.

No 175 — Wednesday 1 April 2026

The House started at 9.30 am.

- 1 The Speaker took the Chair, read the Prayer and made an Acknowledgement of Country.
- 2 **OUTDOOR RECREATION VICTORIA BILL 2026** — Steve Dimopoulos introduced ‘A Bill for an Act to establish Outdoor Recreation Victoria, to establish the Land Access Panel, to repeal the **Game Management Authority Act 2014** and the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**, to make consequential amendments to other Acts and for other purposes’; and, after debate, the Bill was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow.
- 3 **EDUCATION AND TRAINING REFORM AMENDMENT BILL 2026** — Ben Carroll introduced ‘A Bill for an Act to amend the **Education and Training Reform Act 2006** to strengthen Aboriginal recognition and self-determination across the early childhood education, school education, vocational education and training and adult, community and further education system, to require schools to develop policies to restrict student use of personal electronic devices during school hours and to improve the operation of that Act and to amend the **Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010** to make a statute law revision amendment and for other purposes’; and, after debate, the Bill was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow.
- 4 **ROADS, ROAD SAFETY AND PORTS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2026** — Melissa Horne introduced ‘A Bill for an Act to amend the **Road Safety Act 1986**, the **Heavy Vehicle National Law Application Act 2013**, the **Road Management Act 2004**, the **EastLink Project Act 2004**, the **Melbourne City Link Act 1995**, the **North East Link Act 2020**, the **West Gate Tunnel (Truck Bans and Traffic Management) Act 2019**, the **Port Management Act 1995**, the **Marine Safety Act 2010**, the **Rail Management Act 1996** and the **Transport Integration Act 2010** and for other purposes’; and, after debate, the Bill was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow.
- 5 **RESIDENTIAL TENANCIES AMENDMENT (RENT CONTROLS) BILL 2026** — Motion made and question — That the Member for Richmond introduce ‘A Bill for an Act to amend the **Residential Tenancies Act 1997** to provide that rent increases under residential tenancies agreements must not exceed certain amounts and for other purposes’ (Gabrielle de Vietri) — after debate, put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Maree Edwards, in the Chair) —

AYES 31

Brad Battin; Jade Benham; Roma Britnell; Tim Bull; Martin Cameron; Annabelle Cleeland; Chris Crewther; Gabrielle de Vietri; Wayne Farnham; Will Fowles; Matthew Guy; David Hodgett; Emma Kealy; Tim McCurdy; Cindy McLeish; James Newbury; Danny O’Brien; Michael O’Brien; Kim O’Keeffe; John Pesutto; Tim Read; Richard Riordan; Brad Rowswell; Ellen Sandell; David Southwick; Bridget Vallence; Peter Walsh; Kim Wells; Nicole Werner; Rachel Westaway; Jess Wilson.

NOES 48

Juliana Addison; Jacinta Allan; Colin Brooks; Josh Bull; Anthony Carbines; Ben Carroll; Anthony Cianflone; Sarah Connolly; Chris Couzens; Jordan Crugnale; Lily D'Ambrosio; Daniela De Martino; Steve Dimopoulos; Paul Edbrooke; Eden Foster; Matt Fregon; Ella George; Katie Hall; Paul Hamer; Martha Haylett; Mathew Hilakari; Melissa Horne; Lauren Kathage; Sonya Kilkenny; Nathan Lambert; John Lister; Gary Maas; Alison Marchant; Kathleen Matthews-Ward; Steve McGhie; Paul Mercurio; John Mullahy; Danny Pearson; Pauline Richards; Michaela Settle; Ros Spence; Nick Staikos; Natalie Suleyman; Meng Heang Tak; Jackson Taylor; Nina Taylor; Kat Theophanous; Mary-Anne Thomas; Iwan Walters; Vicki Ward; Dylan Wight; Gabrielle Williams; Belinda Wilson.

Question defeated.

6 DOCUMENTS TABLED UNDER ACTS OF PARLIAMENT — The Clerk tabled:

Auditor-General — Supporting the Transition from Native Timber Harvesting — Ordered to be published

Municipal Association of Victoria — Report 2024–25

Planning and Environment Act 1987 — Notices of approval of amendments to the following Planning Schemes:

Banyule — GC270

Bayside — GC270

Boroondara — GC270

Darebin — GC270

Glen Eira — GC270

Maribyrnong — GC270

Merri-bek — GC270

Monash — GC270

Stonnington — GC270

Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 — Documents under s 15 in relation to Statutory Rule 17.

7 MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL — Agreeing to the Education and Training Reform Amendment (Free TAFE Guarantee) Bill 2026 without amendment.

8 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS 5, 12 AND 13 MAY 2026 — Motion made, by leave, and question — That so much of standing and sessional orders be suspended on 5, 12 and 13 May 2026 to allow:

(1) The House to meet at 9.30 am on Tuesday 12 May.

(2) The order of business to be:

Tuesday 5 May

Question time and constituency questions

Formal business

Statements by members
Government business

Tuesday 12 May

Formal business
Statements by members
Statements on committee reports
Government business
Question time and constituency questions (2.00 pm)
Government business *continued*
Matter of public importance (4.00 pm)
Government business *continued*

Wednesday 13 May

Formal business
Statements by members
Government business
Question time and constituency questions (2.00 pm)
Government business *continued*

- (3) In relation to the matter of public importance:
- (a) at 4.00 pm on Tuesday 12 May, 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 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 following the procedure in subparagraph (a);
 - (c) the Chair announces the matter of public importance;
 - (d) any business under discussion and not completed at the interruption will be resumed immediately at the end of the matter of public importance, and any member speaking at the time of the interruption may then continue their speech.

- (4) The Speaker to interrupt business under Sessional Order 2 at 5.00 pm on Wednesday 13 May —

(*Mary-Anne Thomas*) — put and agreed to.

9 **ATTENDANCE OF TREASURER** — Motion made, by leave, and question — That:

- (1) So much of standing and sessional orders be suspended so as to allow on Tuesday 5 May 2026, following the introduction and motion for the second reading of the Annual Appropriation Bill:
- (a) the Minister moving the second reading to retain their right to speak (for 15 minutes) on the question later in the debate;
- (b) Hon Jaclyn Symes MLC, Treasurer, under s 52 of the *Constitution Act 1975*, be permitted to attend the House for the purpose of giving a speech of unlimited duration in relation to the Annual Appropriation Bill.
- (2) A message be sent to the Legislative Council informing them that under s 52 of the *Constitution Act 1975*, approval has been granted for Hon Jaclyn Symes MLC, Treasurer, to attend the Legislative Assembly on Tuesday 5 May 2026 to give a speech on the Annual Appropriation Bill —

(*Mary-Anne Thomas*) — put and agreed to.

10 **STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS** — Members made statements.

11 **STATEMENTS ON PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE REPORTS** — Members made statements on committee reports.

12 **DANGEROUS GOODS TRANSPORT BILL 2026** — Ben Carroll tabled a statement of compatibility in accordance with the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

Motion made and question proposed — That this Bill be now read a second time (*Ben Carroll*).

The second reading speech was incorporated into Hansard.

Motion made and question — That the debate be now adjourned (*Cindy McLeish*) — put and agreed to.

Ordered — That the debate be adjourned for two weeks. Debate adjourned until 15 April 2026.

13 **OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY AMENDMENT (DANGEROUS GOODS) BILL 2026** — Ben Carroll tabled a statement of compatibility in accordance with the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

Motion made and question proposed — That this Bill be now read a second time (*Ben Carroll*).

The second reading speech was incorporated into Hansard.

Motion made and question — That the debate be now adjourned (*Cindy McLeish*) — put and agreed to.

Ordered — That the debate be adjourned for two weeks. Debate adjourned until 15 April 2026.

- 14 **BUILDING AND PLUMBING ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT BILL 2026** — Order read for resuming debate on question — That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed.

Amendment proposed — That all the words after ‘That’ be omitted and replaced with the words ‘this House refuses to read this Bill a second time until the Government has allowed for proper consultation with the industry to occur’ (*David Southwick*) — and, after debate —

Business interrupted at 2.00 pm under standing orders.

- 15 **QUESTION TIME.**

- 16 **CONSTITUENCY QUESTIONS.**

- 17 **BUILDING AND PLUMBING ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT BILL 2026** — Debate continued on question — That this Bill be now read a second time — and on the amendment.

Business interrupted at 4.00 pm under sessional orders.

- 18 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE — COST OF LIVING RELIEF** — The Speaker read Paul Edbrooke’s proposal to the House —

‘That this House notes that Victorian families are facing growing pressure in their daily lives as the cost of living and global events put household budgets under strain and only the Allan Labor Government is responding with new and practical solutions that deliver real cost-of-living relief and make life easier, safer and more affordable for Victorians.’

Paul Edbrooke addressed the House — Discussion followed.

- 19 **BUILDING AND PLUMBING ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT BILL 2026** — Debate continued on question — That this Bill be now read a second time — and on the amendment.

Business interrupted at 7.00 pm under sessional orders.

- 20 **ADJOURNMENT** — The Deputy Speaker announced that the time for the adjournment of the House had arrived and, after debate, left the Chair at 7.24 pm.

BRIDGET NOONAN
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

MAREE EDWARDS MP
Speaker

No 176 — Thursday 2 April 2026

The House started at 9.30 am.

- 1 The Speaker took the Chair, read the Prayer and made an Acknowledgement of Country.

- 2 **DOCUMENTS TABLED UNDER ACTS OF PARLIAMENT** — The Clerk tabled:

Parliamentary Committees Act 2003 — Government response to the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee's Report on the 2025–26 Budget Estimates

Statutory Rule 21 under the *Wrongs Act 1958*

Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 — Documents under s 15 in relation to Statutory Rule 19.

- 3 **SITTING OF THE HOUSE** — Motion made and question — That the House, at its rising, adjourns until 5 May 2026 (*Mary-Anne Thomas*) — put and agreed to.

- 4 **STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS** — Members made statements.

- 5 **EDUCATION AND TRAINING REFORM AMENDMENT BILL 2026** — Ben Carroll tabled a statement of compatibility in accordance with the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

Motion made and question proposed — That this Bill be now read a second time (*Ben Carroll*).

The second reading speech was incorporated into Hansard.

Motion made and question — That the debate be now adjourned (*James Newbury*) — put and agreed to.

Ordered — That the debate be adjourned for two weeks. Debate adjourned until 16 April 2026.

- 6 **OUTDOOR RECREATION VICTORIA BILL 2026** — Steve Dimopoulos tabled a statement of compatibility in accordance with the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

Motion made and question proposed — That this Bill be now read a second time (*Steve Dimopoulos*).

The second reading speech was incorporated into Hansard.

Motion made and question — That the debate be now adjourned (*James Newbury*) — put and agreed to.

Ordered — That the debate be adjourned for two weeks. Debate adjourned until 16 April 2026.

- 7 **ROADS, ROAD SAFETY AND PORTS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2026** — Melissa Horne tabled a statement of compatibility in accordance with the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

Motion made and question proposed — That this Bill be now read a second time (*Melissa Horne*).

The second reading speech was incorporated into Hansard.

Motion made and question — That the debate be now adjourned (*Danny O'Brien*) — put and agreed to.

Ordered — That the debate be adjourned for two weeks. Debate adjourned until 16 April 2026.

- 8 **BUILDING AND PLUMBING ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT BILL 2026** — Order read for resuming debate on question — That this Bill be now read a second time — *and on the amendment* — That all the words after 'That' be omitted and replaced with the words 'this House refuses to read this Bill a second time until the Government has allowed for proper consultation with the industry to occur'; debate resumed.

Business interrupted at 2.00 pm under standing orders.

- 9 **QUESTION TIME.**

- 10 **CONSTITUENCY QUESTIONS.**

- 11 **BUILDING AND PLUMBING ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT BILL 2026** — Resumption on question — That this Bill be now read a second time — and on the amendment.

Motion made and question — That the debate be now adjourned (*Sonya Kilkenney*) — put and agreed to.

Ordered — That the debate be adjourned until later this day.

- 12 **STANDING ORDERS** — Motion made and question — That SO 62 be amended to omit the words 'A statement of compatibility tabled under s 28 of the *Charter of Human Rights and*

Responsibilities Act 2006 in paragraph (2) and insert ‘A statement of compatibility tabled under any Act of Parliament’ with the change to come into effect from 30 April 2026 (*Ros Spence*) — and, after debate —

Motion made and question — That the question be now put (*Colin Brooks*) — put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Maree Edwards, in the Chair) —

AYES 53

Jacinta Allan; Colin Brooks; Josh Bull; Anthony Carbines; Ben Carroll; Anthony Cianflone; Sarah Connolly; Chris Couzens; Jordan Crugnale; Lily D’Ambrosio; Daniela De Martino; Gabrielle de Vietri; Steve Dimopoulos; Paul Edbrooke; Eden Foster; Will Fowles; Matt Fregon; Ella George; Luba Grigorovitch; Katie Hall; Paul Hamer; Martha Haylett; Mathew Hilakari; Melissa Horne; Lauren Kathage; Sonya Kilkenny; Nathan Lambert; John Lister; Gary Maas; Alison Marchant; Kathleen Matthews-Ward; Steve McGhie; Paul Mercurio; John Mullahy; Danny Pearson; Tim Read; Pauline Richards; Tim Richardson; Ellen Sandell; Michaela Settle; Ros Spence; Nick Staikos; Natalie Suleyman; Meng Heang Tak; Jackson Taylor; Nina Taylor; Kat Theophanous; Mary-Anne Thomas; Iwan Walters; Vicki Ward; Dylan Wight; Gabrielle Williams; Belinda Wilson.

NOES 26

Brad Battin; Jade Benham; Roma Britnell; Tim Bull; Martin Cameron; Chris Crewther; Wayne Farnham; Matthew Guy; David Hodgett; Emma Kealy; Tim McCurdy; Cindy McLeish; James Newbury; Danny O’Brien; Michael O’Brien; Kim O’Keeffe; John Pesutto; Richard Riordan; Brad Rowswell; David Southwick; Bridget Vallence; Peter Walsh; Kim Wells; Nicole Werner; Rachel Westaway; Jess Wilson.

Question agreed to.

Original question — accordingly put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Maree Edwards, in the Chair) —

AYES 53

Jacinta Allan; Colin Brooks; Josh Bull; Anthony Carbines; Ben Carroll; Anthony Cianflone; Sarah Connolly; Chris Couzens; Jordan Crugnale; Lily D’Ambrosio; Daniela De Martino; Gabrielle de Vietri; Steve Dimopoulos; Paul Edbrooke; Eden Foster; Will Fowles; Matt Fregon; Ella George; Luba Grigorovitch; Katie Hall; Paul Hamer; Martha Haylett; Mathew Hilakari; Melissa Horne; Lauren Kathage; Sonya Kilkenny; Nathan Lambert; John Lister; Gary Maas; Alison Marchant; Kathleen Matthews-Ward; Steve McGhie; Paul Mercurio; John Mullahy; Danny Pearson; Tim Read; Pauline Richards; Tim Richardson; Ellen Sandell; Michaela Settle; Ros Spence; Nick Staikos; Natalie Suleyman; Meng Heang Tak; Jackson Taylor; Nina Taylor; Kat Theophanous; Mary-Anne Thomas; Iwan Walters; Vicki Ward; Dylan Wight; Gabrielle Williams; Belinda Wilson.

NOES 26

Brad Battin; Jade Benham; Roma Britnell; Tim Bull; Martin Cameron; Chris Crewther; Wayne Farnham; Matthew Guy; David Hodgett; Emma Kealy; Tim McCurdy; Cindy McLeish; James Newbury; Danny O’Brien; Michael O’Brien; Kim O’Keeffe; John Pesutto; Richard Riordan; Brad Rowswell; David Southwick; Bridget Vallence; Peter Walsh; Kim Wells; Nicole Werner; Rachel Westaway; Jess Wilson.

Question agreed to.

- 13 **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL** — Agreeing to the Regulatory Legislation Amendment (Reform) Bill 2026 with amendments.

Ordered — That the amendments be taken into consideration immediately.

- 14 **REGULATORY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (REFORM) BILL 2026** — Order read for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council.

After debate, the amendments were agreed to.

Message sent to the Legislative Council informing them accordingly.

- 15 **RESTORING TAFE IN VICTORIA** — Order read for resuming debate on question — That this House commends the Allan Labor Government for restoring TAFE in Victoria with more than \$16 billion in investment and legislating Free TAFE, which has saved students more than \$777 million in tuition fees — *and on the amendment* — That the words ‘but notes the Silver Review was scathing of the performance of Victoria’s TAFE system under the Allan Labor Government and that real recurrent expenditure per annual hour in Victoria is the lowest in the nation’ be added to the end of the motion; debate resumed.

Allocation of time — The Deputy Speaker advised that the time allocated for consideration of items under the resolution of the House on 31 March 2026 had expired.

Question — That such words be added — put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Matt Fregon, in the Chair) —

AYES 24

Brad Battin; Jade Benham; Roma Britnell; Tim Bull; Martin Cameron; Chris Crewther; Wayne Farnham; Matthew Guy; Emma Kealy; Cindy McLeish; James Newbury; Danny O’Brien; Michael O’Brien; Kim O’Keeffe; John Pesutto; Richard Riordan; Brad Rowswell; David Southwick; Bridget Vallence; Peter Walsh; Kim Wells; Nicole Werner; Rachel Westaway; Jess Wilson.

NOES 49

Jacinta Allan; Colin Brooks; Josh Bull; Anthony Carbines; Ben Carroll; Anthony Cianflone; Sarah Connolly; Chris Couzens; Jordan Crugnale; Lily D’Ambrosio; Daniela De Martino; Steve Dimopoulos; Paul Edbrooke; Eden Foster; Will Fowles; Ella George; Luba Grigorovitch; Katie Hall; Paul Hamer; Martha Haylett; Mathew Hilakari; Melissa Horne; Lauren Kathage; Sonya Kilkenny; Nathan Lambert; John Lister; Gary Maas; Alison Marchant; Kathleen Matthews-Ward; Steve McGhie; Paul Mercurio; John Mullahy; Danny Pearson; Pauline Richards; Tim Richardson; Michaela Settle; Ros Spence; Nick Staikos; Natalie Suleyman; Meng Heang Tak; Jackson Taylor; Nina Taylor; Kat Theophanous; Mary-Anne Thomas; Iwan Walters; Vicki Ward; Dylan Wight; Gabrielle Williams; Belinda Wilson.

Question defeated.

Question — That the motion be agreed to — put and agreed to.

- 16 **BIG HOUSING BUILD** — Order read for resuming debate on question — That this House commends the Allan Labor Government’s housing strategy, including the Big Housing Build, housing targets for councils, planning and rental reforms and activity centre planning and recognises that improving affordability requires clear planning direction and building more homes where Victorians live, work and access transport.

Question — That the motion be agreed to — put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Matt Fregon, in the Chair) —

AYES 48

Jacinta Allan; Colin Brooks; Josh Bull; Anthony Carbines; Ben Carroll; Anthony Cianflone; Sarah Connolly; Chris Couzens; Jordan Crugnale; Lily D’Ambrosio; Daniela De Martino; Steve Dimopoulos; Paul Edbrooke; Eden Foster; Ella George; Luba Grigorovitch; Katie Hall; Paul Hamer; Martha Haylett; Mathew Hilakari; Melissa Horne; Lauren Kathage; Sonya Kilkenny; Nathan Lambert; John Lister; Gary Maas; Alison Marchant; Kathleen Matthews-Ward; Steve McGhie; Paul Mercurio; John Mullahy; Danny Pearson; Pauline Richards; Tim Richardson; Michaela Settle; Ros Spence; Nick Staikos; Natalie Suleyman; Meng Heang Tak; Jackson Taylor; Nina Taylor; Kat Theophanous; Mary-Anne Thomas; Iwan Walters; Vicki Ward; Dylan Wight; Gabrielle Williams; Belinda Wilson.

NOES 25

Brad Battin; Jade Benham; Roma Britnell; Tim Bull; Martin Cameron; Chris Crewther; Wayne Farnham; Will Fowles; Matthew Guy; Emma Kealy; Cindy McLeish; James Newbury; Danny O’Brien; Michael O’Brien; Kim O’Keeffe; John Pesutto; Richard Riordan; Brad Rowswell; David Southwick; Bridget Vallence; Peter Walsh; Kim Wells; Nicole Werner; Rachel Westaway; Jess Wilson.

Question agreed to.

- 17 **CLADDING SAFETY VICTORIA REPEAL BILL 2026** — Order read for resuming debate on question — That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question — That this Bill be now read a second time and a third time — put and agreed to.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council and their agreement requested.

- 18 **BUILDING AND PLUMBING ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT BILL 2026** — Order read for resuming debate on question — That this Bill be now read a second time — *and on the amendment* — That all the words after ‘That’ be omitted and replaced with the words ‘this House refuses to read this Bill a second time until the Government has allowed for proper consultation with the industry to occur’.

Question — That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question — put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Matt Fregon, in the Chair) —

AYES 51

Jacinta Allan; Colin Brooks; Josh Bull; Anthony Carbines; Ben Carroll; Anthony Cianflone; Sarah Connolly; Chris Couzens; Jordan Crugnale; Lily D’Ambrosio; Daniela De Martino; Gabrielle de Vietri; Steve Dimopoulos;

Paul Edbrooke; Eden Foster; Ella George; Luba Grigorovitch; Katie Hall; Paul Hamer; Martha Haylett; Mathew Hilakari; Melissa Horne; Lauren Kathage; Sonya Kilkenney; Nathan Lambert; John Lister; Gary Maas; Alison Marchant; Kathleen Matthews-Ward; Steve McGhie; Paul Mercurio; John Mullahy; Danny Pearson; Tim Read; Pauline Richards; Tim Richardson; Ellen Sandell; Michaela Settle; Ros Spence; Nick Staikos; Natalie Suleyman; Meng Heang Tak; Jackson Taylor; Nina Taylor; Kat Theophanous; Mary-Anne Thomas; Iwan Walters; Vicki Ward; Dylan Wight; Gabrielle Williams; Belinda Wilson.

NOES 25

Brad Battin; Jade Benham; Roma Britnell; Tim Bull; Martin Cameron; Chris Crewther; Wayne Farnham; Will Fowles; Matthew Guy; Emma Kealy; Cindy McLeish; James Newbury; Danny O'Brien; Michael O'Brien; Kim O'Keeffe; John Pesutto; Richard Riordan; Brad Rowswell; David Southwick; Bridget Vallence; Peter Walsh; Kim Wells; Nicole Werner; Rachel Westaway; Jess Wilson.

Question agreed to.

Question — That this Bill be now read a second time and a third time — put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Matt Fregon, in the Chair) —

AYES 52

Jacinta Allan; Colin Brooks; Josh Bull; Anthony Carbines; Ben Carroll; Anthony Cianflone; Sarah Connolly; Chris Couzens; Jordan Crugnale; Lily D'Ambrosio; Daniela De Martino; Gabrielle de Vietri; Steve Dimopoulos; Paul Edbrooke; Eden Foster; Will Fowles; Ella George; Luba Grigorovitch; Katie Hall; Paul Hamer; Martha Haylett; Mathew Hilakari; Melissa Horne; Lauren Kathage; Sonya Kilkenney; Nathan Lambert; John Lister; Gary Maas; Alison Marchant; Kathleen Matthews-Ward; Steve McGhie; Paul Mercurio; John Mullahy; Danny Pearson; Tim Read; Pauline Richards; Tim Richardson; Ellen Sandell; Michaela Settle; Ros Spence; Nick Staikos; Natalie Suleyman; Meng Heang Tak; Jackson Taylor; Nina Taylor; Kat Theophanous; Mary-Anne Thomas; Iwan Walters; Vicki Ward; Dylan Wight; Gabrielle Williams; Belinda Wilson.

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Brad Battin; Jade Benham; Roma Britnell; Tim Bull; Martin Cameron; Chris Crewther; Wayne Farnham; Matthew Guy; Emma Kealy; Cindy McLeish; James Newbury; Danny O'Brien; Michael O'Brien; Kim O'Keeffe; John Pesutto; Richard Riordan; Brad Rowswell; David Southwick; Bridget Vallence; Peter Walsh; Kim Wells; Nicole Werner; Rachel Westaway; Jess Wilson.

Question agreed to.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council and their agreement requested.

Business interrupted at 5.15 pm under sessional orders.

- 19 **ADJOURNMENT** — The Deputy Speaker announced that the time for the adjournment of the House had arrived and, after debate, left the Chair at 5.43 pm.

BRIDGET NOONAN
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

MAREE EDWARDS MP
Speaker