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This document provides a summary of significant procedures precedents and rulings in the Legislative Assembly. It is produced at the end of each sitting period. Where applicable the relevant standing orders are noted.

BUSINESS

Condolence motion for former member

On Wednesday 27 February 2013, the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast, moved a motion of condolence regarding the death of Mervyn Leslie Hunter, a former member for the electoral district of Lake Macquarie from 1969 to 1991. A number of members spoke in support of the motion including the Leader of the Opposition and the current Member for Lake Macquarie. The motion was carried unanimously with members and officers standing as a mark of respect.

Votes and Proceedings: 27/02/2013, p. 1450

Hansard: 27/02/2013, galley pp. 8-16

DOCUMENTS

Premier tables documents during question time with the leave of the House:

During question time on Thursday 21 February 2013, the Premier, by leave, tabled a number of documents when responding to a question about mining licences currently the subject of an investigation being conducted by the Independent Commission Against Corruption. The documents comprised a letter from the Commissioner of the Independent Commission Against Corruption to the Premier regarding Operation Jasper, dated 20 February 2013 and an opinion regarding Operation Jasper and public interest considerations in planning approval applications, by Bret Walker SC, dated 19 February 2013. The Premier required leave to table the documents as the routine of business provides for tabling of documents by Ministers at the conclusion of question time.

Votes and Proceedings: 21/02/2013, p. 1439

Hansard: 21/02/2013, galley p. 50

Standing Order 96

Standing Order 97 (as amended by sessional order)

Standing Order 264

During question time on Thursday 28 February 2013, the Premier, by leave, tabled a copy of the terms of reference for the review of the Game Council of New South Wales when responding to a question about governance of the Game Council. Leave was required for the Premier to table the document outside the time provided in the routine of business.

Votes and Proceedings: 28/02/2013, p. 1461

Hansard: 28/02/2013, galley p. 61

Standing Order 96

Standing Order 97 (as amended by sessional order)

Standing Order 264

SESSIONAL ORDERS

On Thursday 28 February the House agreed to a number of sessional orders regarding: restrictions on quorum calls; maximum time limits for debates and speeches; routine of business; general business; debate on general business notices of motions or order of the day (not being bills); community recognition statements; notices of motions; postponement or withdrawal of notices of motions; previous question; restrictions on divisions; proceedings after the second reading; election of chair and deputy chair; and parliamentary secretaries.

Votes and Proceedings: 28/02/2013, pp. 1463-8

Hansard: 28/02/2013, galley pp. 68-71

Standing Order 364

Relevant Sessional Orders by number:

45	Quorum During Sitting – Restrictions On Quorum Calls
85	Debates and Speeches – Maximum Time Limits
97	Routine of Business
105	General Business
107	General Business – Debate on Notices of Motions or Orders of the Day (not being Bills)
108A	Community Recognition Statements
133	Notices of Motions
141	Postponement or Withdrawal of Notices of Motions
149 & 150	Previous Question
187	Divisions – Restrictions On
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