



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

2007

FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 1

TUESDAY 8 MAY 2007

1 OPENING OF THE SESSION

The House met at 2.15 pm, pursuant to a Proclamation of Her Excellency the Governor, dated 2 May 2007, which was read by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, as follows:

PROCLAMATION

NEW SOUTH WALES
TO WIT

MARIE BASHIR
Governor

By Her Excellency, Professor Marie Bashir,
Companion of the Order of Australia,
Commander of the Royal Victorian Order,
Governor of the State of New South Wales
in the Commonwealth of Australia.

WHEREAS the Legislative Council now stands prorogued to Tuesday 8 May 2007; Now I, in pursuance of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution Act 1902, hereby prorogue the said Legislative Council to 2.15 o'clock in the afternoon of 8 May 2007.

I further proclaim that the said Legislative Council and also the Legislative Assembly shall assemble for the despatch of business on 8 May 2007, at 2.15 o'clock in the afternoon, in the premises known as Parliament House, Macquarie Street, Sydney: And the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to attend at this time and place.

GIVEN under my hand and Seal, at Sydney, this second day of May 2007.

L.S.

By Her Excellency's Command,
 MORRIS IEMMA
 Premier

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

2 WRITS OF ELECTION

The Clerk announced that he had received through the Honourable the Premier, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Citizenship, a list, without omission, certified by Her Excellency the Governor, of the names of the persons duly elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales at the General Election of the members held on 24 March 2007, and further certifying that the ninety three Writs of Election were duly returned before the day on which they were legally returnable. The Clerk placed the list on the Table of the House.

Electoral District	Name of Member Returned
Albury	Aplin, Gregory John
Auburn.....	Perry, Barbara Mazzel
Ballina	Page, Donald Loftus
Balmain	Firth, Verity Helen
Bankstown.....	Stewart, Anthony Paul
Barwon	Humphries, Kevin John
Bathurst	Martin, Gerard Francis
Baulkham Hills.....	Merton, Wayne Ashley
Bega	Constance, Andrew James
Blacktown	Gibson, Paul Bernard
Blue Mountains	Koperberg, Philip Christian
Burrinjuck	Hodgkinson, Katrina Ann
Cabramatta	Meagher, Reba Paige
Camden	Corrigan, Geoffrey
Campbelltown	West, Graham James
Canterbury.....	Burney, Linda Jean
Castle Hill.....	Richardson, Michael John
Cessnock	Hickey, Kerry Arthur
Charlestown.....	Morris, Matthew Allan
Clarence.....	Cansdell, Stephen Rhett
Coffs Harbour.....	Fraser, Andrew Raymond Gordon
Coogee.....	Pearce, Paul Ronald
Cronulla.....	Kerr, Malcolm John
Davidson	O'Dea, Jonathan Richard

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Drummoyne.....	D'Amore, Angela
Dubbo.....	Fardell, Dawn Elizabeth
East Hills.....	Ashton, Alan John
Epping.....	Smith, Gregory Eugene
Fairfield.....	Tripodi, Joseph Guerino
Gosford.....	Andrews, Marie Therese
Goulburn.....	Goward, Prudence Jane
Granville.....	Borger, David Lawrence
Hawkesbury.....	Williams, Raymond Craig
Heathcote.....	McLeay, Paul Edward
Heffron.....	Keneally, Kristina Kerscher
Hornsby.....	Hopwood, Judith
Keira.....	Campbell, David Andrew
Kiama.....	Brown, Matthew James
Kogarah.....	Burton, Cherie Ann
Ku-ring-gai.....	O'Farrell, Barry Robert
Lake Macquarie.....	Piper, Gregory Michael
Lakemba.....	Iemma, Morris
Lane Cove.....	Roberts, Anthony John
Lismore.....	George, Thomas
Liverpool.....	Lynch, Paul Gerard
Londonderry.....	Shearan, Allan Francis
Macquarie Fields.....	McDonald, Andrew Dominic
Maitland.....	Terenzini, Francesco
Manly.....	Baird, Michael Bruce
Maroubra.....	Daley, Michael John
Marrickville.....	Tebbutt, Carmel Mary
Menai.....	Megarrity, Alison Patricia
Miranda.....	Collier, Barry Joseph
Monaro.....	Whan, Steven James Robert
Mount Druitt.....	Amery, Richard Sanderson
Mulgoa.....	Beamer, Diane
Murray-Darling.....	Williams, John Douglas
Murrumbidgee.....	Piccoli, Adrian
Myall Lakes.....	Turner, John Harcourt
Newcastle.....	McKay, Jodi Leyanne
North Shore.....	Skinner, Jillian Gell
Northern Tablelands.....	Torbay, George Richard
Oatley.....	Greene, Kevin Patrick
Orange.....	Turner, Russell William
Oxley.....	Stoner, Andrew John
Parramatta.....	Gadiel, Tanya Rachelle
Penrith.....	Paluzzano, Karyn Lesley
Pittwater.....	Stokes, Robert Gordon
Port Macquarie.....	Oakeshott, Robert James Murray
Port Stephens.....	Baumann, Craig Asbjorn
Riverstone.....	Aquilina, John Joseph
Rockdale.....	Sartor, Frank Ernest
Ryde.....	Watkins, John Arthur
Shellharbour.....	McMahon, Lylea Anne
Smithfield.....	Khoshaba, Ninos

South Coast	Hancock, Shelley Elizabeth
Strathfield.....	Judge, Dianne Virginia
Swansea.....	Coombs, Robert Darcy
Sydney.....	Moore, Clover
Tamworth.....	Draper, Peter Ross
Terrigal.....	Hartcher, Christopher Peter
The Entrance	McBride, Grant Anthony
Toongabbie.....	Rees, Nathan
Tweed.....	Provest, Geoffrey Keith
Upper Hunter.....	Souris, George
Vaucluse.....	Debnam, Peter John
Wagga Wagga	Maguire, Daryl William
Wakehurst	Hazzard, Bradley Ronald
Wallsend.....	Hornery, Sonia Kathleen
Willoughby.....	Berejiklian, Gladys
Wollondilly	Costa, Phillip John
Wollongong.....	Hay, Noreen
Wyong.....	Harris, David Robert

3 MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSIONERS

The Usher of the Black Rod was admitted and delivered the following message:

“Honourable Members—

The Commissioners request the immediate attendance of this House in the Legislative Council Chamber, to hear the Commission for the Opening of Parliament read”.

The House went and being returned—

4 COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE PLEDGE OF LOYALTY

The Clerk informed the House that he had received a Commission, through the office of the Premier, as follows:

By Her Excellency, Professor Marie Bashir, Companion of the Order of Australia, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales in the Commonwealth of Australia.

Greeting:

Pursuant to the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution Act 1902, I, Professor Marie Bashir, Companion of the Order of Australia, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales, hereby authorise the Honourable Morris Iemma MP, the Honourable John Arthur Watkins MP and the Honourable Frank Ernest Sartor MP, or any one or more of them, as persons before whom the Pledge of Loyalty, required by law to be taken by every Member of the Legislative Assembly before that Member shall be permitted to sit or vote in the said Legislative Assembly, may be taken.

Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the State, this second day of May 2007.

L.S.

By Her Excellency's Command

MORRIS IEMMA
 Premier

MARIE BASHIR
 Governor.

5 PLEDGE OF LOYALTY

The Honourable Morris Iemma took the pledge of loyalty and then administered the taking of the pledge of loyalty by the two other Commissioners. The Commissioners signed the Roll of the House. The Commissioners then administered the taking of the pledge of loyalty by all other members present with the Clerk producing each Writ returning them. The following members then signed the Roll of the House—

Richard Sanderson Amery
 Marie Therese Andrews
 Gregory John Aplin
 John Joseph Aquilina
 Alan John Ashton
 Michael Bruce Baird
 Craig Asbjorn Baumann
 Diane Beamer
 Gladys Berejiklian
 David Lawrence Borger
 Matthew James Brown
 Linda Jean Burney
 Cherie Ann Burton
 David Andrew Campbell
 Stephen Rhett Cansdell
 Barry Joseph Collier
 Andrew James Constance
 Robert Darcy Coombs
 Geoffrey Corrigan
 Phillip John Costa
 Michael John Daley
 Angela D'Amore
 Peter John Debnam
 Peter Ross Draper
 Dawn Elizabeth Fardell
 Verity Helen Firth
 Andrew Raymond Gordon Fraser
 Tanya Rachelle Gadiel
 Thomas George
 Paul Bernard Gibson
 Prudence Jane Goward
 Kevin Patrick Greene
 Shelley Elizabeth Hancock
 David Robert Harris
 Christopher Peter Hartcher
 Noreen Hay
 Bradley Ronald Hazzard
 Kerry Arthur Hickey

Katrina Ann Hodgkinson
 Judith Hopwood
 Sonia Kathleen Hornery
 Kevin John Humphries
 Morris Iemma
 Dianne Virginia Judge
 Kristina Kerscher Keneally
 Malcolm John Kerr
 Ninos Khoshaba
 Philip Christian Koperberg
 Paul Gerard Lynch
 Grant Anthony McBride
 Andrew Dominic McDonald
 Jodi Leyanne McKay
 Paul Edward McLeay
 Lylea Anne McMahan
 Daryl William Maguire
 Gerard Francis Martin
 Reba Paige Meagher
 Alison Patricia Megarrity
 Wayne Ashley Merton
 Clover Moore
 Matthew Allan Morris
 Robert James Murray Oakeshott
 Jonathon Richard O'Dea
 Barry Robert O'Farrell
 Karyn Lesley Paluzzano
 Paul Ronald Pearce
 Barbara Mazzel Perry
 Adrian Piccoli
 Gregory Michael Piper
 Geoffrey Keith Provost
 Nathan Rees
 Michael John Richardson
 Anthony John Roberts
 Frank Ernest Sartor
 Allan Francis Shearan
 Jillian Gell Skinner

Gregory Eugene Smith
George Souris
Anthony Paul Stewart
Robert Gordon Stokes
Andrew John Stoner
Carmel Mary Tebbutt
Francesco Terenzini
George Richard Torbay
Joseph Guerino Tripodi

John Harcourt Turner
Russell William Turner
John Arthur Watkins
Graham James West
Steven James Robert Whan
John Douglas Williams
Raymond Craig Williams.

6 ELECTION OF SPEAKER

In accordance with the provisions of section 31B of the Constitution Act and standing order 10, the Clerk called for nominations for the office of Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

There being only one valid nomination received, the Clerk declared George Richard Torbay, Member for Northern Tablelands, to be elected as Speaker.

Mr Torbay was conducted to the Chair, where standing on the upper step, he returned his acknowledgements to the House for the honour that had been bestowed upon him.

The Speaker then took the Chair.

Mr Iemma, Mr O'Farrell and Mr Stoner congratulated the Speaker.

Mr Campbell informed the House that the Governor would receive the Speaker at Government House at 5.00 pm this day.

7 SPEAKER'S STATEMENT—NEW STANDING ORDERS

The Speaker made a statement on the new standing orders of the Legislative Assembly, which became effective from today's sitting.

8 SPEAKER'S STATEMENT—STATE COAT OF ARMS

The Speaker made a statement regarding the replacement, in the Chamber, of the Royal Coat of Arms with the New South Wales Coat of Arms.

9 ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

Mr Amery moved, That Anthony Paul Stewart be appointed Deputy Speaker.

Mr Martin seconded the motion.

Question put and passed.

Mr Stewart made his acknowledgements to the House.

10 **ADOPTION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS**

Mr Campbell sought leave to move a motion for the adoption of sessional orders relating to the Leader of the House and the election and role of a second Assistant Speaker.

Leave not granted.

Mr Campbell moved, That standing orders be suspended to permit the moving of a motion forthwith for the adoption of sessional orders relating to the Leader of the House and the election and role of a second Assistant Speaker.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

AYES 52

Mr Amery, Ms Andrews, Mr Aquilina, Ms Beamer, Mr Borger, Mr Brown, Ms Burney, Ms Burton, Mr Campbell, Mr Collier, Mr Coombs, Mr Corrigan, Mr Costa, Ms D'Amore, Mr Daley, Ms Firth, Ms Gadiel, Mr Gibson, Mr Greene, Mr Harris, Ms Hay, Mr Hickey, Ms Hornery, Mr Iemma, Ms Judge, Ms Keneally, Mr Khoshaba, Mr Koperberg, Mr Lynch, Mr McBride, Mr McDonald, Ms McKay, Mr McLeay, Ms McMahan, Ms Meagher, Ms Megarrity, Mr Morris, Mrs Paluzzano, Mr Pearce, Mrs Perry, Mr Rees, Mr Sartor, Mr Shearan, Mr Stewart, Ms Tebbutt, Mr Terenzini, Mr Tripodi, Mr Watkins, Mr West and Mr Whan.

Tellers: Mr Ashton and Mr Martin.

NOES 39

Mr Aplin, Mr Baird, Mr Baumann, Ms Berejiklian, Mr Cansdell, Mr Constance, Mr Debnam, Mr Draper, Mrs Fardell, Mr Fraser, Ms Goward, Mrs Hancock, Mr Hartcher, Mr Hazzard, Ms Hodgkinson, Mrs Hopwood, Mr Humphries, Mr Kerr, Mr Merton, Ms Moore, Mr Oakeshott, Mr O'Dea, Mr O'Farrell, Mr Piccoli, Mr Piper, Mr Provost, Mr Richardson, Mr Roberts, Mrs Skinner, Mr Smith, Mr Souris, Mr Stokes, Mr Stoner, Mr J.H. Turner, Mr R.W. Turner, Mr J.D. Williams and Mr R.C. Williams.

Tellers: Mr George and Mr Maguire.

In the Chair: Mr Torbay.

Question passed.

Mr Campbell moved, That, for the duration of the current Parliament, unless otherwise ordered:

- (1) All provisions of the standing orders that apply to Ministers be read as also applying to the Leader of the House; and
- (2) All provisions of the standing orders that apply to the election and role of the Assistant Speaker be read as also applying to a second Assistant Speaker.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

AYES 52

Mr Amery, Ms Andrews, Mr Aquilina, Ms Beamer, Mr Borger, Mr Brown, Ms Burney, Ms Burton, Mr Campbell, Mr Collier, Mr Coombs, Mr Corrigan, Mr Costa, Ms D'Amore, Mr Daley, Ms Firth, Ms Gadiel, Mr Gibson, Mr Greene, Mr Harris, Ms Hay, Mr Hickey, Ms Hornery, Mr Iemma, Ms Judge, Ms Keneally, Mr Khoshaba, Mr Koperberg, Mr Lynch, Mr McBride, Mr McDonald, Ms McKay, Mr McLeay, Ms McMahon, Ms Meagher, Ms Megarrity, Mr Morris, Mrs Paluzzano, Mr Pearce, Mrs Perry, Mr Rees, Mr Sartor, Mr Shearan, Mr Stewart, Ms Tebbutt, Mr Terenzini, Mr Tripodi, Mr Watkins, Mr West and Mr Whan.

Tellers: Mr Ashton and Mr Martin.

NOES 39

Mr Aplin, Mr Baird, Mr Baumann, Ms Berejiklian, Mr Cansdell, Mr Constance, Mr Debnam, Mr Draper, Mrs Fardell, Mr Fraser, Ms Goward, Mrs Hancock, Mr Hartcher, Mr Hazzard, Ms Hodgkinson, Mrs Hopwood, Mr Humphries, Mr Kerr, Mr Merton, Ms Moore, Mr Oakeshott, Mr O'Dea, Mr O'Farrell, Mr Piccoli, Mr Piper, Mr Provest, Mr Richardson, Mr Roberts, Mrs Skinner, Mr Smith, Mr Souris, Mr Stokes, Mr Stoner, Mr J.H. Turner, Mr R.W. Turner, Mr J.D. Williams and Mr R.C. Williams.

Tellers: Mr George and Mr Maguire.

In the Chair: Mr Torbay.

Question passed.

11 ELECTION OF ASSISTANT SPEAKERS

Ms Burney moved, That Alison Patricia Megarrity be appointed as Assistant Speaker.

Mrs Perry seconded the motion.

Mr Piccoli moved, That Malcolm John Kerr be appointed as Assistant Speaker.

Mr Hazzard seconded the motion.

Mr Brown moved, That Grant Anthony McBride be appointed as Assistant Speaker.

Mr Campbell seconded the motion.

Debate ensued.

Question—That Alison Patricia Megarrity be appointed as Assistant Speaker—put and passed.

Question—That Malcolm John Kerr be appointed as Assistant Speaker—put.

The House divided.

AYES 34

Mr Aplin, Mr Baird, Mr Baumann, Ms Berejiklian, Mr Cansdell, Mr Constance, Mr Debnam, Mr Fraser, Ms Goward, Mrs Hancock, Mr Hartcher, Mr Hazzard, Ms Hodgkinson, Mrs Hopwood, Mr Humphries, Mr Kerr, Mr Merton, Mr O’Dea, Mr O’Farrell, Mr Piccoli, Mr Provest, Mr Richardson, Mr Roberts, Mrs Skinner, Mr Smith, Mr Souris, Mr Stokes, Mr Stoner, Mr J.H. Turner, Mr R.W. Turner, Mr J.D. Williams and Mr R.C. Williams.

Tellers: Mr George and Mr Maguire.

NOES 54

Mr Amery, Ms Andrews, Mr Aquilina, Ms Beamer, Mr Borger, Mr Brown, Ms Burney, Ms Burton, Mr Campbell, Mr Collier, Mr Coombs, Mr Corrigan, Mr Costa, Ms D’Amore, Mr Daley, Mr Draper, Mrs Fardell, Ms Firth, Ms Gadiel, Mr Gibson, Mr Greene, Mr Harris, Ms Hay, Mr Hickey, Ms Hornery, Mr Iemma, Ms Judge, Ms Keneally, Mr Khoshaba, Mr Koperberg, Mr Lynch, Mr McBride, Mr McDonald, Ms McKay, Mr McLeay, Ms McMahan, Ms Meagher, Ms Megarrity, Mr Morris, Mrs Paluzzano, Mr Pearce, Mrs Perry, Mr Rees, Mr Sartor, Mr Shearan, Mr Stewart, Ms Tebbutt, Mr Terenzini, Mr Tripodi, Mr Watkins, Mr West and Mr Whan.

Tellers: Mr Ashton and Mr Martin.

In the Chair: Mr Torbay.

Question negatived.

Question—That Grant Anthony McBride be appointed as Assistant Speaker—put and passed.

12 **MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSIONERS**

The Speaker reported that the House had this day attended the Commissioners in the Legislative Council Chamber where the Honourable John Della Bosca, MLC, on behalf of the Commissioners, had delivered the following Message—

“HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—

We have it in command from Her Excellency the Governor to acquaint you that Her Excellency desires that you take into your earnest consideration such matters as may be submitted to you.

Members of the Legislative Assembly—

It being necessary that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be first chosen, it is Her Excellency’s pleasure that you, Members of the Legislative Assembly, return to your Chamber and there, after Members shall have been sworn, proceed to the election of one of your number to be your Speaker.

We are further commanded to acquaint you that Her Excellency desires that measures be taken by you, as may be deemed expedient, to provide for the peace, welfare and good government of the State”.

13 **LAW OF EVIDENCE BILL**

Mr Iemma presented “A bill to amend the law of evidence”, and moved pro formâ, That this bill be now introduced.

Question put and passed.

14 **MINISTERIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(1) Mr Iemma informed the House that on 2 April 2007, he had submitted his resignation as Premier, Minister for State Development and Minister for Citizenship, and as a member of the Executive Council, to Her Excellency the Governor, an action which involved the resignation of all Ministers and that Her Excellency then commissioned him to form a new Ministry. On the same day he was sworn in as Premier and Minister for Citizenship and as a member of the Executive Council, twenty persons were appointed by Her Excellency as members of the Executive Council and to the offices indicated, with a further person appointed on 11 April 2007:

The Honourable John Arthur Watkins, MP
Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport and Minister for Finance

The Honourable John Joseph Della Bosca, MLC
Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance

The Honourable Michael Costa, MLC
Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure and Minister for the Hunter

The Honourable John Hatzistergos, MLC
Attorney General and Minister for Justice

The Honourable Frank Ernest Sartor, MP
Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo and Minister for the Arts

The Honourable Reba Paige Meagher, MP
Minister for Health

The Honourable David Andrew Campbell, MP
Minister for Police and Minister for the Illawarra

The Honourable Eric Michael Roozendaal, MLC
Minister for Roads and Minister for Commerce

The Honourable Ian Michael Macdonald, MLC
Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources and Minister for State Development

The Honourable Anthony Bernard Kelly, MLC
Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development and Vice President of the Executive Council

The Honourable Philip Christian Koperberg, MP
Minister for Climate Change, Environment and Water

The Honourable Kevin Patrick Greene, MP
Minister for Community Services

The Honourable Kristina Kerscher Keneally, MP
Minister for Ageing and Minister for Disability Services

The Honourable Joseph Guerino Tripodi, MP
Minister for Small Business and Regulatory Reform and Minister for Ports and Waterways

The Honourable Nathan Rees, MP
Minister for Emergency Services and Minister for Water Utilities

The Honourable Matthew James Brown, MP
Minister for Housing and Minister for Tourism

The Honourable Linda Jean Burney, MP
Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for Youth and Minister for Volunteering

The Honourable Paul Gerard Lynch, MP
Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)

The Honourable Verity Firth, MP
Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) and Minister Assisting the Minister for Climate Change, Environment and Water (Environment)

The Honourable Graham James West, MP
Minister for Gaming and Racing and Minister for Sport and Recreation

The Honourable Barbara Mazzel Perry, MP
Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Western Sydney, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship.

(2) Mr Iemma informed the House that with effect from 8 May 2007, the following members were appointed as Parliamentary Secretaries, to the offices indicated:

The Honourable John Joseph Aquilina, MP
Assisting the Premier (Leader of the House).

Tanya Rachelle Gadiel, MP
Assisting the Premier on Community and Veterans Affairs and assisting the Minister for Police.

Noreen Hay, MP
Assisting the Minister for Health.

Diane Virginia Judge, MP

Assisting the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance.

The Honourable Henry Shiu-Lung Tsang, MLC

Assisting the Premier, and Treasurer on Trade and Investment.

Barry Joseph Collier, MP

Assisting the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice.

The Honourable Penelope Gail Sharpe, MLC

Assisting the Minister for Energy and Minister for Mineral Resources.

Sonia Kathleen Hornery, MP

Assisting the Minister for Transport.

Steven James Whan, MP

Assisting the Minister for Primary Industries, assisting the Minister for Rural Affairs and Minister for Regional Development, and assisting the Minister for Planning.

Michael John Daley, MP

Assisting the Treasurer, assisting the Minister for Finance and assisting the Minister for Roads.

(3) Mr Iemma also informed the House of the representation of certain Legislative Council Ministers in the Assembly:

The Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport and Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance.

The Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo and Minister for the Arts representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for the Hunter.

The Minister for Police and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General and Minister for Justice.

The Minister for Climate Change, Environment and Water representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs and Minister for Regional Development

The Minister for Emergency Services and Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources and Ministry for State Development.

The Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads and Minister for Commerce.

(4) Mr Iemma informed the House of the election of the Honourable John Joseph Aquilina as Leader of the House, the election of Gerard Francis Martin as Government Whip and the election of Alan John Ashton as Deputy Government Whip as from 4 May 2007.

15 **OPPOSITION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr O'Farrell informed the House of his election as Leader of the Opposition, the election of Gillian Gell Skinner as Deputy Leader of the Opposition and the election of Daryl William Maguire as Opposition Whip as from 4 April 2007.

16 **THE NATIONALS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr Stoner informed the House of his election as Leader of The Nationals, the election of Andrew Raymond Gordon Fraser as Deputy Leader of The Nationals and the election of Thomas George as The Nationals' Whip as from 28 March 2007.

17 **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

The Speaker reported messages from Her Excellency the Governor assenting to the following bills:

21 November 2006

Act No. 89	Charter of Budget Honesty (Election Promises Costing) Bill
Act No. 90	National Park Estate (Lower Hunter Region Reservations) Bill
Act No. 91	Racing Legislation Amendment Bill
Act No. 92	Western Sydney Parklands Bill
Act No. 93	Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Amendment (Criminal Charges and Convictions) Bill.

22 November 2006

Act No. 94	Police Amendment (Miscellaneous) Bill.
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27 November 2006

Act No. 95	Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Miscellaneous Amendments Bill
Act No. 96	Industrial Relations (Child Employment) Bill
Act No. 97	Industrial Relations Further Amendment Bill
Act No. 98	Workers Compensation Amendment (Permanent Impairment Benefits) Bill
Act No. 99	Apiaries Amendment Bill
Act No. 100	Charitable Trusts Amendment Bill
Act No. 101	Companion Animals Amendment Bill
Act No. 102	Home Building Amendment (Statutory Warranties) Bill
Act No. 103	Registered Clubs Amendment Bill
Act No. 104	Water Industry Competition Bill
Act No. 105	Central Coast Water Corporation Bill
Act No. 106	World Youth Day Bill.

29 November 2006

Act No. 107	Crimes and Courts Legislation Amendment Bill
Act No. 108	James Hardie Former Subsidiaries (Winding up and Administration) Amendment (Trust Funds) Bill.

4 December 2006

Act No. 109	Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Amendment (Child Sexual Offences Disclosures) Bill
Act No. 110	Road Transport Legislation Amendment (Evidence) Bill
Act No. 111	Aboriginal Land Rights Amendment Bill
Act No. 112	Adoption Amendment Bill
Act No. 113	Deer Bill
Act No. 114	Education Legislation Amendment Bill
Act No. 115	Freedom of Information Amendment (Open Government - Disclosure of Contracts) Bill
Act No. 116	Legal Profession Further Amendment Bill
Act No. 117	Mount Panorama Motor Racing Amendment Bill
Act No. 118	Rural Lands Protection Amendment Bill
Act No. 119	Sale of Goods and Warehousemen's Liens Amendment (Bulk Goods) Bill
Act No. 120	Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill (No 2)
Act No. 121	Superannuation Administration Amendment (Trust Deed Schemes) Bill
Act No. 122	Sydney Water Catchment Management Amendment (Warragamba) Bill
Act No. 123	Environmental Planning Legislation Amendment Bill
Act No. 124	Health Legislation Amendment (Unregistered Health Practitioners) Bill
Act No. 125	Threatened Species Conservation Amendment (Biodiversity Banking) Bill
Act No. 126	Trees (Disputes Between Neighbours) Bill
Act No. 127	Victims Support and Rehabilitation Amendment Bill.

12 December 2006

Act No. 128 Police Powers Legislation Amendment Bill.

18 **COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE ACT 1998**

The Speaker, in accordance with section 26 of the Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998, announced receipt of the report of the Commission for Children and Young People entitled "Children at Work Recommendations" (received 13 December 2006).

Ordered to be printed.

19 **INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION**

The Speaker, in accordance with section 78(2) of the Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 1988, announced receipt of the following reports of the Independent Commission Against Corruption:

21 December 2006

Report on investigation into defrauding the RTA and RailCorp in relation to provision of traffic management services, dated December 2006.

1 March 2007

Report on an investigation and systems review of corruption risks associated with HSC take-home assessment tasks, dated February 2007.

Ordered to be printed.

20 **LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ANNUAL REPORT**

In accordance with the resolution of the House of 23 November 2006, the Speaker announced receipt of the annual report of the Department of the Legislative Assembly for the year ended 30 June 2006 (received 8 December 2006).

Ordered to be printed.

21 **OMBUDSMAN**

(1) The Speaker, in accordance with section 43 of the Community Services (Complaints, Reviews and Monitoring) Act 1993, announced receipt of the report by the NSW Ombudsman entitled "Report of Reviewable Deaths in 2005, Volume 2: Child Deaths", dated November 2006 (received 29 November 2006).

(2) The Speaker, in accordance with section 31AA of the Ombudsman Act 1974, also announced receipt of the special report to Parliament by the NSW Ombudsman entitled "Domestic violence: improving police practice", dated December 2006 (received 13 December 2006).

Ordered to be printed.

22 **PARLIAMENTARY JOINT SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT**

In accordance with the resolution of the House of 23 November 2006, the Speaker announced receipt of the annual report of the Parliamentary Joint Services for the year ended 30 June 2006 (received 21 December 2006).

Ordered to be printed.

23 **POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION**

The Speaker, in accordance with section 103 of the Police Integrity Commission Act 1996, announced receipt of the report of the Police Integrity Commission entitled "Report to Parliament: Operation Banff", dated December 2006 (received 21 December 2006).

Ordered to be printed.

24 **ANNUAL REPORTS**

(1) The Clerk, in accordance with the Annual Reports (Departments) Act 1985, announced receipt of the following reports for the year ended 30 June 2006:

27 November 2006

Board of Studies and Office of the Board of Studies.

28 November 2006

Department of Corrective Services.

30 November 2006

Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care; Department of Commerce; Department of Energy, Utilities and Sustainability; Department of Planning; Ministry for Police; Ministry of Transport; New South Wales Fire Brigades; New South Wales Rural Fire Service; NSW Police; State Electoral Office; State Emergency Service; Treasury - Crown Entity; Treasury - Office of Financial Management; and Treasury - Office of State Revenue.

7 December 2006

Premier's Department.

8 December 2006

Department of Health.

11 December 2006

Department of Environment and Conservation.

15 December 2006

Department of the Arts, Sport and Recreation.

21 December 2006

Department of Natural Resources.

16 January 2007

Department of Housing.

25 January 2007

Department of Primary Industries.

5 February 2006

Clinical Excellence Commission.

(2) The Clerk, in accordance with the Annual Reports (Statutory Bodies) Act 1984, announced receipt of the following reports for the year ended 30 June 2006:

27 November 2006

NSW Board of Vocational Education and Training; NSW Institute of Teachers; Teacher Housing Authority; New South Wales Vocational Education and Training Accreditation Board.

29 November 2006

NSW Environmental Trust; Sydney Catchment Authority; Sydney Opera House Trust; and Waste Recycling and Processing Corporation (trading as WSN Environmental Solutions).

30 November 2006

Australian Technology Park; Building and Construction Industry Long Service Payments Corporation; Casino Control Authority; Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust; Cooks Cove Development Corporation; Country Energy; Delta Electricity; Election Funding Authority; EnergyAustralia; Eraring Energy; Festival Development Corporation; FSS Trustee Corporation and the First State Superannuation Fund; Greyhound Racing New South Wales; Growth Centres Commission; Health Care Complaints Commission; Heritage Council; Honeysuckle Development Corporation; Hunter Water Corporation; Independent Transport Safety and Reliability Regulator; Integral Energy; Internal Audit Bureau of NSW; Landcom; Liquor Administration Board; Luna Park Reserve Trust; Macquarie Generation; NSW Maritime Authority of NSW; Motor Accidents Authority; Newcastle Port Corporation; New South Wales Crime Commission; NSW Architects Registration Board; NSW Coal Compensation Board; NSW Institute of Sport; NSW Lotteries Corporation; NSW Self Insurance Corporation; Office of Transport Safety Investigations; Parramatta Park Trust; Port Kembla Port Corporation, Volumes 1 and 2; Racing NSW; Rail Corporation; Rail Infrastructure Corporation; Redfern-Waterloo Authority; Roads and Traffic Authority; SAS Trustee Corporation; Sporting Injuries Committee; State Rail Authority of New South Wales; State Records Authority; State Transit Authority; Superannuation Administration Corporation, trading as Pillar Administration; Sydney Ferries Corporation; Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority; Sydney Ports Corporation; Sydney Water Corporation; Sydney 2009 World Masters Games Organising Committee; Tow Truck Authority of New South Wales; TransGrid; Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation; Trustees of the Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Fund; and Workers' Compensation Dust Diseases Board of NSW.

5 December 2006

Responsible Gambling Fund Trustees, (formerly Casino Community Benefit Fund Trustees).

6 December 2006

Greyhound and Harness Racing Regulatory Authority.

12 December 2006

Forests NSW.

13 December 2006

Banana Industry Committee; Rice Marketing Board.

19 December 2006

Newcastle Showground and Exhibition Centre Trust.

21 December 2006

Border Rivers – Gwydir Catchment Management Authority; Central West Catchment Management Authority; Dams Safety Committee; Dumaresq-Barwon Border Rivers Commission; Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Management Authority; Hunter-Central Rivers Catchment Management Authority; Lachlan Catchment Management Authority; Lower Murray Darling Catchment Management Authority; Murray Catchment Management Authority; Murrumbidgee Catchment Management Authority; Namoi Catchment Management Authority; Northern Rivers Catchment Management Authority; Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority; Sydney Metropolitan Catchment Management Authority; Upper Parramatta River Catchment Trust; and Western Catchment Management Authority.

22 December 2006

WorkCover Authority.

5 January 2007

Game Council NSW.

25 January 2007

New South Wales Rural Assistance Authority accompanied by a statement of reasons for late tabling.

14 February 2007

Board of Veterinary Surgeons.

30 April 2007

New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council.

(3) The Clerk, in accordance with the Annual Reports (Statutory Bodies) Act 1984, also announced receipt of the following annual reports:

5 December 2006

State Water Corporation for the year ended 30 June 2005, together with a statement of reasons for late tabling.

13 December 2006

Rural Lands Protection Boards for 2005.

31 January 2007

Dental Board for the year ended 30 September 2006.

Pharmacy Board for the year ended 30 September 2006.

25 AUDITOR-GENERAL

The Clerk, in accordance with section 63C of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1983, announced receipt of the following reports of the Auditor-General:

29 November 2006

Auditor-General's Report for 2006, Volume Five: Financial Audits, dated November 2006.

5 December 2006

Performance Audit Report entitled "Helping Older People Access a Residential Aged Care Facility: NSW Health", dated December 2006.

6 December 2006

Performance Audit Report entitled "The Police Assistance Line: Follow-up of 2003 Performance Audit", dated 6 December 2006.

12 December 2006

Performance Audit Report entitled "Attracting, Retaining and Managing Nurses in Hospitals", dated 12 December 2006.

13 December 2006

Performance Audit Report entitled "Distributing Legal Aid in New South Wales", dated 13 December 2006.

8 February 2007

Auditor-General's Report for 2007, Volume One, dated February 2007.

28 March 2007

Performance Audit Report entitled "Addressing the Needs of Young Offenders: Department of Justice, NSW Police Force", dated March 2007.

2 May 2007

Performance Audit Report entitled "Responding to Homelessness", dated May 2007.

26 COMMUNITY SERVICES (COMPLAINTS, REVIEWS AND MONITORING) ACT

The Clerk, in accordance with section 10 of the Community Services (Complaints, Reviews and Monitoring) Act 1993, announced receipt of the report of Official Community Visitors for the year ended 30 June 2006 (received 10 January 2007).

27 CONSUMER, TRADER AND TENANCY TRIBUNAL ACT

The Clerk, in accordance with section 84 of the Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal Act 2001, announced receipt of the report of the Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal for the year ended 30 June 2006 (received 21 December 2006).

28 CRIMES (FORENSIC PROCEDURES) ACT

The Clerk, in accordance with section 121 of the Crimes (Forensic Procedures) Act 2000, announced receipt of the Ombudsman's Report entitled "DNA sampling and other forensic procedures conducted on suspects and volunteers under the Crimes (Forensic Procedures) Act 2000", dated October 2006 (received 24 January 2007).

29 ELECTRICITY SUPPLY ACT

The Clerk, in accordance with section 88 of the Electricity Supply Act 1995, announced receipt of the report of the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal on Energy distribution and retail licences - Compliance report for 2005-2006, dated October 2006 (received 30 November 2006).

30 GUARDIANSHIP ACT

The Clerk, in accordance with section 76A of the Guardianship Act 1987, announced receipt of the report of the Guardianship Tribunal for the year ended 30 June 2006 (received 30 November 2006).

31 JAMES HARDIE FORMER SUBSIDIARIES (WINDING UP AND ADMINISTRATION) ACT

The Clerk, in accordance with section 64 of the James Hardie Former Subsidiaries (Winding up and Administration) Act 2005, announced receipt of the amended and restated Final Funding Agreement in respect of the provision of long term funding for compensation arrangements for certain victims of Asbestos-related diseases in Australia between James Hardie Industries N.V., James Hardie 117 Pty Ltd (formerly known as LGTDD Pty Ltd), the State of New South Wales and the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund Limited in its capacity as trustee of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund, Volumes 1 and 2, dated 21 November 2006 (received 22 December 2006).

32 LAW AND JUSTICE FOUNDATION ACT 2000

The Clerk, in accordance with section 19 of the Law and Justice Foundation Act 2000, announced receipt of the report of the Law and Justice Foundation for the year ended 30 June 2006 (received 10 January 2007).

33 LEGAL PROFESSION ACT

The Clerk, in accordance with section 700 of the Legal Profession Act 2004, announced receipt of the following reports:

9 January 2007

Report of the Law Society of New South Wales for the year ended 30 June 2006.

Report of the Law Society - Professional Standards for the year ended 30 June 2006 (in two volumes, Volume two being financial reports for the Law Society; Legal Practitioners Fidelity Fund and Public Purpose Fund).

34 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT**

The Clerk, in accordance with section 740(5) of the Local Government Act 1993, announced receipt of the report of the Public Inquiry by Commissioner the Hon David Simmons OAM into the Broken Hill City Council, dated December 2006 (received 10 January 2007).

35 **PASSENGER TRANSPORT ACT**

The Clerk, in accordance with section 46D of the Passenger Transport Act 1990, announced receipt of the report of the Office of Transport Safety Investigations entitled "Bus Safety Investigation Report - Fatal injuries sustained by a pedestrian struck by a Veolia Bus - Kensington and Montgomery Streets, Kogarah, 2 May 2006", dated 21 February 2007 (received 28 February 2007).

36 **RADIATION CONTROL ACT**

The Clerk, in accordance with section 33 of the Radiation Control Act 1990, announced receipt of the report of the Radiation Advisory Council for the year ended 30 June 2006 (received 11 December 2006).

37 **RAIL SAFETY ACT**

(1) The Clerk, in accordance with section 68(2) of the Rail Safety Act 2002, announced receipt of the following reports of the Office of Transport Safety Investigations:

21 December 2006

Rail Safety Investigation Report – Derailment of 4BM7 Lidcombe, dated 4 November 2005.

31 January 2007

Rail Safety Investigation Report – Derailment of Pacific National Freight Services CB76 and 1WB3 Lapstone (CB76) – 1 March 2005; Wauchope (1WB3) – 7 March 2005.

9 February 2007

Eighth quarterly report of the Independent Transport Safety and Reliability Regulator entitled "Implementation of the NSW Government's Response to the Final Special Commission of Inquiry into the Waterfall Accident, Reporting Period: October - December 2006".

7 May 2007

Ninth quarterly report of the Independent Transport Safety and Reliability Regulator entitled "Implementation of the NSW Government's Response to the Final Report of the Special Commission of Inquiry into the Waterfall Accident, Reporting Period: January - March 2007".

Rail Safety Investigation Report - Shunting Fatality, Lachlan Valley Railway Society (LVRS), Heritage Steam Train SS84, Ariah Park - 15 April 2006.

38 **STATE OWNED CORPORATIONS ACT**

(1) The Clerk, in accordance with section 20X of the State Owned Corporations Act 1989, announced receipt of a letter from the Hon. Michael Costa, MLC, Treasurer, and the Hon. John Della Bosca, MLC, Minister for Finance, to Mr Jim Henness, Chief Executive Officer of Delta Electricity, concerning shareholder approval for the Munmorah Gas Turbine Project, dated 30 January 2007 (received 6 February 2007).

(2) The Clerk, in accordance with the State Owned Corporations Act 1989, announced receipt of the following reports:

28 February 2007

Half Yearly Report of RailCorp for the period ended 31 December 2006.

19 January 2007

Statement of Corporate Intent of the Superannuation Administration Corporation (trading as Pillar Administration) for the year ending 30 June 2007.

1 May 2007

Approval granted under sections 20W, 20X and 20Y of the State Owned Corporations Act 1989 by the voting shareholders of EnergyAustralia for the disposition by sale of all of its ordinary shares in EnergyAustralia Pty Ltd to IPower Pty Ltd.

Half Yearly Reports for the period ended 31 December 2006 of: Hunter Water Corporation; Landcom; and State Water Corporation.

Statements of Corporate Intent for the year ending 30 June 2007 of: Hunter Water Corporation; and State Water Corporation.

3 May 2007

Half Yearly Reports for the period ended 31 December 2006 of: Country Energy; Delta Electricity; EnergyAustralia; Eraring Energy; Integral Energy; Macquarie Generation; TransGrid; and Waste Recycling and Processing Corporation (trading as WSN Environmental Solutions).

Statements of Corporate Intent for the year ending 30 June 2007 of: Country Energy; Delta Electricity; EnergyAustralia; Eraring Energy; Integral Energy; Macquarie Generation; TransGrid; and Waste Recycling and Processing Corporation (trading as WSN Environmental Solutions).

39 **SYDNEY WATER CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT ACT**

The Clerk, in accordance with section 40 of the Sydney Water Catchment Management Act 1998, announced receipt of the Statement of Financial Framework of the Sydney Catchment

Authority for 2006-2007 (received 3 January 2007).

40 **COMMITTEE ON THE HEALTH CARE COMPLAINTS COMMISSION**

The Clerk announced receipt of the report of the Committee on the Health Care Complaints Commission entitled "Study of Complaints Handling and Practitioner Regulation in Other Jurisdictions - 8-11 August 2006", Report No. 14/53, dated January 2007 (received 8 January 2007).

41 **JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ROAD SAFETY**

The Clerk announced receipt of the following reports of the Joint Standing Committee on Road Safety:

15 December 2006

Road Safety: From Local to Global Perspectives, Proceedings of the 4th Meeting of Australasian Parliamentary Road Safety Committees, together with supplementary papers, Monday 3 April 2006 and Tuesday 4 April 2006, Parliament House, Sydney, Staysafe 70, Report No. 14/53, dated December 2006.

The Crash Testing of Repaired Motor Vehicles: Further report of an inquiry into motor vehicle smash repairs under the Insurance Australia Group (NRMA Insurance) Preferred Repairer Scheme, and its implications for roadworthiness, crashworthiness and road safety, Staysafe 71, Report No. 15/53, dated December 2006.

Inquiry into Road Safety Administration and Mid-term Review of the New South Wales Road Safety 2010 Strategy: Report of an inquiry into actions undertaken by the Motor Accidents Authority to address the road safety situation in New South Wales, 2000-2005, Staysafe 72, Report No. 16/53, dated December 2006; Report of an inquiry into actions undertaken by WorkCover Authority to address the road safety situation in New South Wales, 2000-2005, Staysafe 73, Report No. 17/53; Report of an inquiry into actions undertaken in the Environment portfolio to address the road safety situation in New South Wales, 2000-2005, Staysafe 74, Report No. 18/53; Report of an inquiry into actions undertaken in the Health portfolio to address the road safety situation in New South Wales, 2000-2005, Staysafe 75, Report No. 19/53; Report of an inquiry into actions undertaken by agencies within the Transport portfolio to address the road safety situation in New South Wales, 2000-2005, Staysafe 76, Report No. 20/53; Report of an inquiry into actions undertaken in the Attorney-General's portfolio to address the road safety situation in New South Wales, 2000-2005, Staysafe 77, Report No. 21/53; Report of an inquiry into actions undertaken in the Education and Training portfolio to address the road safety situation in New South Wales, 2000-2005, Staysafe 78, Report No. 22/53; Report of an inquiry into actions undertaken in the Police portfolio to address the road safety situation in New South Wales, 2000-2005, Staysafe 79, Report No. 23/53; Report of an inquiry into actions undertaken in the Roads and Traffic Authority to address the road safety situation in New South Wales, 2000-2005, Staysafe 80, Report No. 24/53.

20 December 2006

Progress in improving the safety of railway level crossings, Staysafe 81, Report No. 25/53, dated December 2006.

42 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

The Clerk announced receipt of the report of the Public Accounts Committee entitled “Inquiry into Home and Community Care Program”, Report No. 20/53 (No. 163), dated January 2007, together with minutes of proceedings (received 12 January 2007).

43 STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

The Clerk announced receipt of the following reports of the Standing Committee on Natural Resource Management:

1 February 2007

Visits of Inspection – Albury (February 2005), Wagga Wagga (August 2005): the 5th Landcare/Catchment Management Forum, Report No. 53/7, dated October 2006.

13th International Soil Conservation Organisation (ISCO) Conference, 4-9 July 2004, Report No. 53/8, dated October 2006.

44 STANDING COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGE AND ETHICS

The Clerk announced receipt of the report of the Standing Committee on Parliamentary Privilege and Ethics entitled “Post Separation Guidelines – Meeting with the Parliamentary Ethics Adviser, November 2006”, dated November 2006 (received 18 December 2006).

45 STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

The Clerk announced receipt of notices of the following statutory instruments:

(1) Government Gazette No. 168 of 1 December 2006

Crimes (Administration of Sentences) Act 1999—Crimes (Administration of Sentences) Further Amendment Regulation 2006, p 10090.

Industrial Relations (Child Employment) Act 2006—Industrial Relations (Child Employment) Regulation 2006, p 10094.

Local Government Act 1993—Local Government (General) Amendment (Annual Reports) Regulation 2006, p 10098.

Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 1966—Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Amendment Regulation 2006, p 10102.

Road Transport (Heavy Vehicles Registration Charges) Act 1995—Road Transport (Heavy Vehicles Registration Charges) Regulation 2006, p 10108.

Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Act 1999—Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) (Road Rules) Amendment (No Standing Signs) Regulation 2006, p 10106.

Tow Truck Industry Act 1998—Tow Truck Industry Amendment (Miscellaneous) Regulation 2006, p 10120.

(2) Government Gazette No. 172 of 6 December 2006

Private Hospitals and Day Procedure Centres Act 1988—Private Hospitals and Day Procedure Centres Amendment (Fees) Regulation 2006, p 10375.

(3) Government Gazette No. 175 of 8 December 2006

Civil Procedure Act 2005—

(a) Uniform Civil Procedure Rules (Amendment No. 11) 2006, p 10457.

(b) Uniform Civil Procedure Rules (Amendment No. 12) 2006, p 10468.

Conveyancers Licensing Act 2003—Conveyancers Licensing Regulation 2006, p 10390.

Court Rules & Practice Notes—Practice Note SC CL 5—Supreme Court Common Law Division—General Case Management List, p 10678.

District Court Act 1973—District Court Amendment (Home Building) Rule 2006, p 10663.

Fines Act 1996—Fines Amendment (Penalty Notices) Regulation 2006, p 10432.

Law Enforcement and National Security (Assumed Identities) Act 1998—Law Enforcement and National Security (Assumed Identities) Amendment Regulation 2006, p 10438.

Mental Health Act 1990—Mental Health Amendment (Fees) Regulation 2006, p 10435.

Professional Standards Act 1994—Professional Standards Amendment (Fees) Regulation 2006, p 10444.

Public Finance and Audit Act 1983—

(a) Public Finance and Audit Amendment (CHEC English Language Centre) Regulation 2006, p 10442.

(b) Public Finance and Audit Amendment (Statutory Bodies) Regulation 2006, p 10440.

Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Act 1998—Road Transport Amendment (Christmas Holiday Demerit Points) Regulation 2006, p 10448.

(4) Government Gazette No. 183 of 15 December 2006

Apprenticeship and Traineeship Act 2001—Apprenticeship and Traineeship Amendment Regulation 2006, p 10752.

Companion Animals Act 1998—Companion Animals Amendment (Registration Exemption) Regulation 2006, p 10755.

District Court Act 1973—District Court Amendment (Uniform Civil Procedure) Rule 2006, p 10918.

Fisheries Management Act 1994—

- (a) Fisheries Management (Estuary General Share Management Plan) Regulation 2006, p 10786.
- (b) Fisheries Management (Estuary Prawn Trawl Share Management Plan) Regulation 2006, p 10810.
- (c) Fisheries Management (General) Amendment (Eligible Fishers and Fishing Business Cards) Regulation 2006, p 10888.
- (d) Fisheries Management (Ocean Hauling Share Management Plan) Regulation 2006, p 10829.
- (e) Fisheries Management (Ocean Trap and Line Share Management Plan) Regulation, p 10874.
- (f) Fisheries Management (Ocean Trawl Share Management Plan) Regulation, p 10856.
- (g) Fisheries Management (Supporting Plan) Regulation 2006, p 10758.

Home Building Act 1989—Home Building Amendment (Register) Regulation 2006, p 10894.

Legal Profession Act 2004—Legal Profession Admission Rules 2005 Amendments, p 11042.

Local Government Act 1993—Local Government (General) Amendment (Transfer of Accrued Leave Entitlements) Regulation 2006, p 10897.

Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Act 1998—Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Amendment (Drug Testing) Regulation 2006, p 10908.

Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Act 1999—Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) (Road Rules) Amendment (Drug Testing) Regulation 2006, p 10902.

Transport Administration Act 1988—Transport Administration (General) Amendment (State Taxes) Regulation 2006, p 10911.

Workers Compensation Act 1987—Workers Compensation Amendment (Miscellaneous) Regulation 2006, p 10913.

- (5) Government Gazette No. 189 of 22 December 2006

Business Names Act 2002—Business Names Amendment (Restoration Fees) Regulation 2006, p 11550.

Coal Mine Health and Safety Act 2002—Coal Mine Health and Safety Regulation, p 11553.

Constitution Act 1902—Governor's Salary Amendment Regulation 2006, p 11699.

Criminal Procedure Act 1986—Criminal Procedure Amendment (Miscellaneous) Regulation 2006, p 11683.

Electricity Supply Act 1995—Electricity Supply (General) Amendment (Renewable Energy Sources) Regulation 2006, p 11686.

Explosives Act 2003—Explosives Amendment (Coal Operations) Regulation 2006, p 11692.

Gaming Machines Act 2001—Gaming Machines Amendment (Retail Shopping Centres) Regulation 2006, p 11695.

Greyhound and Harness Racing Administration Act 2004—Greyhound and Harness Racing Administration (Appeals) Amendment Regulation 2006, p 11701.

Home Building Act 1989—Home Building Amendment (Exemption) Regulation 2006, p 11704.

Industrial Relations (Child Employment) Act 2006—Industrial Relations (Child Employment) Amendment (Penalty Notices) Regulation 2006, p 11706.

Lotteries and Art Unions Act 1901—Lotteries and Art Unions Amendment (Gratuitous Lotteries) Regulation 2006, p 11709.

Occupational Health and Safety Act 2000—Occupational Health and Safety Amendment (Coal Workplaces) Regulation 2006, p 11711.

Professional Standards Act 1994—

(a) Notification pursuant to section 13—Investigative and Remedial Engineers Scheme—Erratum, p 11863.

(b) Notification pursuant to section 13—National Institute of Accountants Scheme, p 11861.

Registered Clubs Act 1976—Registered Clubs Amendment (Exceptions to 5-kilometre Rule) Regulation 2006, p 11723.

Rural Lands Protection Act 1998—

(a) Rural Lands Protection (General) Amendment (Auditing) Regulation 2006, p 11730.

(b) Rural Lands Protection (General) Amendment (Rates) Regulation 2006, p 11726.

(6) Government Gazette No. 192 of 29 December 2006

Children's Court Act 1987—Children's Court (Miscellaneous Amendments) Rule 2006, p 11960.

(7) Government Gazette No. 5 of 12 January 2007

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979—Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Fees) Regulation 2007, p 84.

Liquor Act 1982—Liquor Amendment (Sunday Trading) Regulation (No. 3) 2006, p 96.

Property, Stock and Business Agents Act 2002—Property, Stock and Business Agents Amendment (Auctions) Regulation 2007, p 98.

(8) Government Gazette No. 11 of 19 January 2007

Land and Environment Court Act 1979—Land and Environment Court Amendment (Court Fees) Regulation 2007, p 165.

Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997—Protection of the Environment Operations (Clean Air) Amendment (Bush Fire Hazard Reduction) Regulation 2007, p 168.

Rural Lands Protection Act 1998—Rural Lands Protection (General) Amendment (State Council Elections) Regulation 2007, p 171.

Trees (Disputes Between Neighbours) Act 2006—Trees (Disputes Between Neighbours) Regulation 2007, p 174.

(9) Government Gazette No. 16 of 25 January 2007

Building Professionals Act 2005—Building Professionals Regulation 2007, p 306.

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979—Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Compliance Certificates) Regulation 2007, p 339.

Workers Compensation Act 1987 and Workplace Injury Management and Workers Compensation Act 1998—Workers Compensation Amendment (Lutheran Church) Regulation 2006, p 343.

(10) Government Gazette No. 17 of 25 January 2007

Fisheries Management Act 1994—Fisheries Management Legislation Amendment Regulation 2007, p 411.

Mine Subsidence Compensation Act 1961—Mine Subsidence Compensation Amendment (Contributions) Regulation 2007, p 471.

(11) Government Gazette No. 21 of 31 January 2007

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979—

(a) Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Flood Related Development Controls Information) Regulation 2007, p 488.

(b) Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Levies) Regulation 2007, p 491.

(12) Government Gazette No. 22 of 1 February 2007

Police Act 1990—Police Amendment (Drug and Alcohol Testing) Regulation 2007, p 576.

(13) Government Gazette No. 24 of 2 February 2007

Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983—Aboriginal Land Rights Amendment Regulation 2007, p 594.

Building Professionals Act 2005—Order referring document in Schedule to be accreditation scheme—Building Professionals Board Accreditation Scheme, p 661.

Drug Misuse and Trafficking Act 1985—Drug Misuse and Trafficking Amendment (Precursors) Regulation 2007, p 609.

National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974—Notice of Reservation of a Regional Park under section 30A—reserving land as Worimi Regional Park, p 701.

Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act 1912—Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Amendment (Child-related Conduct Declaration) Regulation 2007, p 616.

(14) Government Gazette No. 30 of 8 February 2007

James Hardie Former Subsidiaries (Winding up and Administration) Act 2005—James Hardie Former Subsidiaries (Winding up and Administration) Regulation 2007, p 733.

(15) Government Gazette No. 31 of 9 February 2007

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979—Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Existing Uses) Regulation 2007, p 739.

Health Care Liability Act 2001—Health Care Liability Amendment (Health Practitioners) Regulation 2007, p 743.

Law Enforcement (Controlled Operations) Act 1997—Law Enforcement (Controlled Operations) Amendment (Corresponding Laws) Regulation 2007, p 748.

Public Health Act 1991—

(a) Public Health (Disposal of Bodies) Amendment Regulation 2007, p 750.

(b) Public Health (Microbial Control) Amendment (Fee) Regulation 2007, p 756.

(16) Government Gazette No. 32 of 16 of February 2007

Electronic Transactions Act 2000—Electronic Transactions Regulation 2007, p 822.

Firearms Act 1996—Firearms Amendment (Exception) Regulation 2007, p 829.

Mount Panorama Motor Racing Act 1989—Mount Panorama Motor Racing Amendment Regulation 2007, p 831.

Professional Standards Act 1994—Notification pursuant to section 13—Engineers Australia (NSW) Scheme, p 932.

Public Health Act 1991—Public Health (General) Amendment (Optical Appliances) Regulation 2007, p 835.

Supreme Court Act 1970—Practice Note SC Gen 12, p 931.

Victims Support and Rehabilitation Act 1996—Victims Support and Rehabilitation Amendment (Miscellaneous) Rule 2007, p 837.

(17) Government Gazette No. 33 of 23 February 2007

Administrative Decisions Tribunal Act 1997—

(a) Administrative Decisions Tribunal (General) Amendment (Exclusions) Regulation 2007, p 951.

(b) Administrative Decisions Tribunal (General) Amendment (Further Exclusions) Regulation 2007, p 954.

Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998—Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Amendment (Out of School Hours Care Services) Regulation 2007, p 958.

Children (Detention Centres) Act 1987—Children (Detention Centres) Amendment Regulation 2007, p 962.

Crimes (Forensic Procedures) Act 2000—Crimes (Forensic Procedures) Amendment Regulation 2007, p 1003.

Fines Act 1996—Fines Amendment (Child Employment Offences) Regulation 2007, p 1006.

Home Building Act 1989—

(a) Home Building Amendment (Exemptions) Regulation 2007, p 1012.

(b) Home Building Amendment (Minimum Insurance Cover) Regulation 2007, p 1009.

Motor Accidents (Lifetime Care and Support) Act 2006—Motor Accidents (Lifetime Care and Support) Repeal Regulation 2007, p 1015.

Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act 1912—Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Amendment (Enrolment) Regulation 2007, p 1017.

Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997—Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Amendment (Land Waste) Regulation 2007, p 1021.

Residential Tenancies Act 1987—Residential Tenancies Amendment (Social Housing) Regulation 2007, p 1025.

Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Act 1999—Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) (Road Rules) Amendment (Bus Lanes) Regulation, p 1028.

Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995—Threatened Species Conservation Amendment (Wollemi Pine) Regulation 2007, p 1033.

Workers Compensation Act 1987—Workers Compensation Amendment (Index Number) Regulation 2007, p 1043.

Workers Compensation Act 1987—Workers Compensation Amendment (Transitional) Regulation 2007, p 1045.

(18) Government Gazette No. 34 of 28 February 2007

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979—Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Planning for Bush Fire Protection) Regulation 2007, p 1130.

Public Finance and Audit Act 1983—Public Finance and Audit Amendment (United States Studies Centre Limited) Regulation 2007, p 1128.

Rural Fires Act 1997—Rural Fires Amendment (Bush Fire Safety Authorities) Regulation 2007, p 1132.

National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974—

- (a) Notice of Reservation of an Aboriginal Area under section 30A (1) and (2)—reserving land as Dubay Nurahm Aboriginal Area, p 1153.
- (b) Notice of Reservation of a National Park under section 30A (1)—reserving land as part of: Ben Halls Gap National Park, p 1137; Blue Mountains National Park, p 1142; Cathedral Rock National Park p 1137; Georges River National Park, p 1153; Kur-ingingai Chase National Park, p 1138; Lane Cove National Park, p 1139; Morton National Park, p 1155; Mummel Gulf National Park, p 1140; Myall Lakes National Park, p 1141; South East Forest National Park, p 1143; Warrabah National Park, p 1144; Washpool National Park, p 1146; Wollemi National Park, p 1156.
- (c) Notice of Reservation of a National Park under section 30A (1) and (2)—reserving land as: Marrangaroo National Park, p 1154; Yarrahapinni National Park, p 1144.
- (d) Notice of Reservation of a Nature Reserve under section 30A (1)—reserving land as part of: Bogandyera Nature Reserve, p 1152; Goonook Nature Reserve, p 1138; Ledknapper Nature Reserve, p 1142; Mount Yarrowyck Nature Reserve, p 1155; Mundoonen Nature Reserve, p 1140; Narran Lake Nature Reserve, p 1143; Palm Grove Nature Reserve, p 1143; Tuggerah Nature Reserve, p 1145; Yatteyattah Nature Reserve, p 1145; Yessabah Nature Reserve, p 1147.
- (e) Notice of Reservation of a Nature Reserve under section 30A (1) and (2)—reserving land as: Colongra Swamp Nature Reserve, p 1152; Prospect Nature Reserve, p 1155.
- (f) Notice of Reservation of a Regional Park under section 30A (1) and (2)—reserving land as Blue Gum Hills Regional Park, p 1152.

- (g) Notice of Reservation of a State Conservation Area under section 30A (1)—reserving land as part of Illawarra Escarpment State Conservation Area, p 1138; Livingston State Conservation Area, p 1139; Mount Pikapene State Conservation Area, p 1140; Munmorah State Conservation Area, p 1141; Washpool State Conservation Area, p 1146.
- (h) Notice of Reservation of a State Conservation Area under section 30A (1) and (2)—reserving land as: Everlasting Swamp State Conservation Area, p 1137; Tuggerah State Conservation Area, p 1145; Upper Nepean State Conservation Area, p 1142.
- (i) Notice of Reservation of Yanga National Park under section 30A (1) and (2)—reserving land as Yanga National Park, p 1156.
- (j) Notice of Reservation of Yanga State Conservation Area under section 30A (1) and (2)—reserving land as Yanga State Conservation Area, p 1162.

(19) Government Gazette No. 35 of 1 March 2007

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979—Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Designated Development) Regulation 2007, p 1169.

(20) Government Gazette No. 36 of 2 March 2007

Commercial Agents and Private Inquiry Agents Act 2004—Commercial Agents and Private Inquiry Agents Amendment (Miscellaneous) Regulation 2007, p 1175.

Constitution Act 1902—Constitution (Disclosures by Members) Amendment Regulation 2007, p 1178.

Dust Diseases Tribunal Act 1989—Dust Diseases Tribunal Regulation 2007, p 1225.

Electricity Supply Act 1995—Electricity Supply Amendment (Miscellaneous) Regulation 2007, p 1324.

Firearms Act 1996—Firearms Amendment (Disqualifying Offences) Regulation 2007, p 1327.

Liquor Act 1982—

- (a) Liquor Amendment (On-licence Exception) Regulation 2007, p 1330.
- (b) Liquor Amendment (Sunday Trading) Regulation 2007, p 1332.

Marine Parks Act 1997—

- (a) Marine Parks Amendment (Batemans) Regulation 2007, p 1418.
- (b) Marine Parks Amendment (Port Stephens–Great Lakes) Regulation 2007, p 1334.

Native Vegetation Act 2003—Native Vegetation Amendment Regulation 2007 7, p 1461.

Pawnbrokers and Second-hand Dealers Act 1996—Pawnbrokers and Second-hand Dealers Amendment Regulation 2007, p 1467.

Police Act 1990—Police Amendment (Promotion Reviews) Regulation 2007, p 1476.

Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997—Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Amendment (Vehicle Testing and Inspection) Regulation 2007, p 1490.

Security Industry Act 1997—Security Industry Amendment (Disqualifying Offences) Regulation 2007, p 1501.

Weapons Prohibition Act 1998—Weapons Prohibition Amendment (Disqualifying Offences) Regulation 2007, p 1503.

(21) Government Gazette No. 42 of 16 March 2007

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46 **NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

Notices of motions for government business were given by leave.

47 **CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS**

Mr Aquilina moved, by leave, That for the current Parliament, unless otherwise ordered, the following Code of Conduct for members be adopted:

That this House adopt, for the purposes of section 9 of the Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 1988, the following code of conduct:

PREAMBLE

The members of the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council have reached agreement on a Code of Conduct which is to apply to all members of Parliament.

Members of Parliament recognise that they are in a unique position of being responsible to the electorate. The electorate has the right to dismiss them from office at regular elections.

Members of Parliament acknowledge their responsibility to maintain the public trust placed in them by performing their duties with honesty and integrity, respecting the law and the institution of Parliament, and using their influence to advance the common good of the people of New South Wales.

Members of Parliament acknowledge that their principal responsibility in serving as members is to the people of New South Wales.

THE CODE

1 Disclosure of conflict of interest

- (a) Members of Parliament must take all reasonable steps to declare any conflict of interest between their private financial interests and decisions in which they participate in the execution of their office.
- (b) This may be done through declaring their interests on the Register of Disclosures of the relevant House or through declaring their interest when speaking on the matter in the House or a Committee, or in any other public and appropriate manner.
- (c) A conflict of interest does not exist where the member is only affected as a member of the public or a member of a broad class.

2 Bribery

A member must not knowingly or improperly promote any matter, vote on any bill or resolution or ask any question in the Parliament or its Committees in return for payment or any other personal financial benefit.

A breach of the prohibition on bribery constitutes a substantial breach of this Code of Conduct.

3 Gifts

- (a) Members must declare all gifts and benefits received in connection with their official duties, in accordance with the requirements for the disclosure of pecuniary interests.
- (b) Members must not accept gifts that may pose a conflict of interest or which might give the appearance of an attempt to improperly influence the member in the exercise of his or her duties.

- (c) Members may accept political contributions in accordance with part 6 of the Election Funding Act 1981.

4 Use of public resources

Members must apply the public resources to which they are granted access according to any guidelines or rules about the use of those resources.

5 Use of confidential information

Members must not knowingly and improperly use official information which is not in the public domain, or information obtained in confidence in the course of their parliamentary duties, for the private benefit of themselves or others.

6 Duties as a Member of Parliament

It is recognised that some members are non-aligned and others belong to political parties. Organised parties are a fundamental part of the democratic process and participation in their activities is within the legitimate activities of members of Parliament.

7 Secondary employment or engagements

Members must take all reasonable steps to disclose at the start of a parliamentary debate:

- (a) the identity of any person by whom they are employed or engaged or by whom they were employed or engaged in the last two years (but not if it was before the member was sworn in as a member);
- (b) the identity of any client of any such person or any former client who benefited from a member's services within the previous two years (but not if it was before the member was sworn in as a member); and
- (c) the nature of the interest held by the person, client or former client in the parliamentary debate.

This obligation only applies if the member is aware, or ought to be aware, that the person, client or former client may have an interest in the parliamentary debate which goes beyond the general interest of the public.

This disclosure obligation does not apply if a member simply votes on a matter; it will only apply when he or she participates in a debate. If the member has already disclosed the information in the member's entry in the pecuniary interest register, he or she is not required to make a further disclosure during the parliamentary debate.

This resolution has continuing effect unless and until amended or rescinded by resolution of the House.

Question put and passed.

48 **CITIZENS' RIGHT OF REPLY**

Mr Aquilina moved, by leave, That, during the current Parliament, unless otherwise ordered, the following Citizens' Right of Reply be adopted:

- (1) That where a submission is made in writing by a person who has been referred to in the Legislative Assembly by name, or in such a way as to be readily identified:
 - (a) claiming that the person or corporation has been adversely affected in reputation or in respect of dealings or associations with others, or injured in occupation, trade, office or financial credit, or that the person's privacy has been unreasonably invaded, by reason of that reference to the person or corporation; and
 - (b) requesting that the person be able to incorporate an appropriate response in Hansard,

and the Speaker is satisfied:

- (c) that the subject of the submission is not so obviously trivial or the submission so frivolous, vexatious or offensive in character as to make it inappropriate that it be considered by the Standing Orders and Procedure Committee;
- (d) the submission was received within 6 months after the relevant comments were made in the House unless the applicant can show exceptional circumstances to explain the delay; and
- (e) that it is practicable for the Committee to consider the submission under this resolution,

the Speaker shall refer the submission to that Committee.

- (2) That the Committee may decide not to consider a submission referred to it under this resolution if the Committee considers that the subject of the submission is not sufficiently serious or the submission is frivolous, vexatious or offensive in character, and such a decision shall be reported to the Legislative Assembly.
- (3) That if the Committee decides to consider a submission under this resolution, the Committee may confer with the person who made the submission and any member who referred in the Legislative Assembly to that person or corporation.
- (4) That in considering a submission under this resolution, the Committee shall meet in private session.
- (5) That the Committee shall not publish a submission referred to it under this resolution of its proceedings in relation to such a submission, but may present minutes of its proceedings and all or part of such submission to the Legislative Assembly.
- (6) In considering a submission under this resolution and reporting to the Legislative Assembly the Committee shall not consider or judge the truth of any statements made in the Legislative Assembly or the submission.

- (7) That in its report to the Legislative Assembly on a submission under this resolution, the Committee may make either of the following recommendations:
- (a) that no further action be taken by the Committee or the Legislative Assembly in relation to the submission; or
 - (b) that a response by the person who made the submission, in terms specified in the report and agreed to by the person or corporation and the Committee, be published by the Legislative Assembly or incorporated in Hansard, and shall not make any other recommendations.
- (8) That a document presented to the Legislative Assembly under paragraph (5) or (7):
- (a) in the case of a response by a person or corporation who made a submission, shall be succinct and strictly relevant to the questions in issue and shall not contain anything offensive in character; and
 - (b) shall not contain any matter the publication of which would have the effect of:
 - (i) unreasonably adversely affecting or injuring a person or corporation, or unreasonably invading a person's privacy, in the manner referred to in paragraph (1); or
 - (ii) unreasonably adding to or aggravating any such adverse effect, injury or invasion of privacy suffered by a person.
- (7) That a corporation making a submission under this resolution is required to make it under their common seal.

Question put and passed.

49 **TEMPORARY SPEAKERS**

The Speaker, in accordance with standing order 19, nominated the following members to act as Temporary Speakers in the absence of the Deputy Speaker and the Assistant Speakers during the current Parliament: Diane Beamer, Thomas George, Wayne Ashley Merton and Matthew Allan Morris.

50 **SITTING DAYS**

Mr Aquilina moved, by leave, That unless otherwise ordered, the House meet during the 2007 budget and spring sittings as follows:

Budget Sittings: May 9, 10, 29, 30, 31; June 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29.

Spring Sittings: September 25, 26, 27; October 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26; November 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15, 16, 27, 28, 29, 30; December 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14.

Question put and passed.

51 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—ROUTINE OF BUSINESS

Mr Aquilina moved, That, from 7.30 pm at this sitting:

- (1) Inaugural speeches be made by the members for Toongabbie, Blue Mountains and Balmain; and
- (2) Standing orders be suspended to provide that, until the rising of the House, no divisions or quorums be called, and at the conclusion of inaugural speeches, the House adjourn without motion moved.

Question put and passed.

52 PRESENTATION OF SPEAKER

The House then proceeded to Government House to present the Speaker to the Governor—

And being returned—

The Speaker reported that the Assembly had been to Government House where he informed the Governor, that immediately after the opening of Parliament, the Legislative Assembly, in the exercise of their undoubted rights, had proceeded to the election of their Speaker, that the choice had fallen upon him, and that he had to present himself to the Governor as their Speaker, whereupon the Governor was pleased to offer her congratulations.

The Speaker further reported that he had then, in the name and on behalf of the House, laid claim to all members' undoubted rights and privileges, particularly to freedom of speech in debate, to free access to Her Excellency when occasion should require, and asked that the most favourable construction should, on all occasions, be put upon their language and proceedings; to all of which the Governor readily assented.

53 PLEDGE OF LOYALTY

Donald Loftus Page took the pledge of loyalty and signed the Roll of the House.

54 INAUGURAL SPEECHES

Inaugural speeches were made by Mr Rees, Mr Koperberg and Ms Firth.

Mr Koperberg and Ms Firth obtained extensions of time.

55 DEATHS OF KEITH O'CONNELL AND IVAN JOSEPH WELSH, FORMER MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

The Speaker informed the House of the deaths of Keith O'Connell on 28 November 2006, and Ivan Joseph Welsh on 15 March 2007, former members of the Legislative Assembly and that, on behalf of the House he had extended to the families the deep sympathy of the members of the Legislative Assembly in the loss sustained.

Question put and carried unanimously—members and officers of the House standing.

56 **ADJOURNMENT**

The House adjourned, pursuant to resolution of the House, at 8.35 pm, until Wednesday 9 May 2007 at 10.00 am.

Attendance: All members present.

RUSSELL D. GROVE PSM
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

RICHARD TORBAY
Speaker