




Speech By
Hon. Yvette D'Ath

MEMBER FOR REDCLIFFE

Record of Proceedings, 1 May 2018

MOTION

Amendments to Sessional Orders

 **Hon. YM D'ATH** (Redcliffe—ALP) (Leader of the House) (3.55 pm), by leave, without notice: I move—

That the amendments to sessional orders circulated in my name be agreed to, effective immediately.

Amendments to Sessional Orders

1. Sessional Order 1 (c) on Wednesday after '*Notice of motion for disallowance of statutory instrument*'—

omit—

Notice of motion for debate during Private Members' Motion (6.00pm—7.00pm) (Notice may be stated in the House and delivered to the Clerk)

10.15am—11.15am—

Question Time

11.15am—12.30pm—

Government Business

12.30pm—1.00pm—

Introduction of Private Members' Bills #

1.00pm—2.00pm—

Lunch break

2.00pm—6.00pm—

Government Business—

6.00pm—7.00pm—

Private Members' Motion (motion for which notice was given immediately prior to 10.15am to take precedence)'

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'Notice of motion for debate during Private Members' Motion (5.00pm—6.00pm) (Notice may be stated in the House and delivered to the Clerk)

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Government Business'

I wish to speak very briefly to this amendment that has been circulated. With the changes to the sessional orders and the sitting hours of the new parliament, on Wednesdays there is an automatic adjournment at 7 pm. That has resulted in a situation where the strict adherence to the time for the adjournment debate would require either less than the full hour being debated for private members' motions or, alternatively, private members' motions not being voted on.

To overcome this anomaly—and I thank the members on all sides who have worked for temporary solutions over the past sitting weeks—it is proposed that we move private members' motions from a 6 pm commencement on Wednesdays to a 5 pm commencement on Wednesdays. This ensures that we do not have any restrictions on the hour-long debate. It allows for the question to be put and not interfere with the automatic adjournment.

This motion has been circulated to the members of the CLA and, of course, I have advised the Leader of Opposition Business of this motion as well.

Question put—That the motion be agreed to.

Motion agreed to.