THURSDAY, 19 MARCH 2020

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

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The House met at 14:15.

The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

The SPEAKER: Thank you. You may all be seated. I recognise the Chief Whip.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

(Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Speaker. I move the motion as printed on the Order Paper in my name:

That in terms of Section 6(3)(b) of the Remuneration of Public Office Bearers Act, 1998 (Act 20 of 1998), the upper limits of the salary and allowances of the Premier, as proclaimed by the President of the Republic of South Africa by Proclamation No 114

of 2020, published in the *Government Gazette* No 43043 of 21 February 2020, be determined as the salary and allowances of the Premier of the Western Cape with effect from 1 April 2020.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, are there any objections to the motion? No objections? Agreed to.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): There is one actually. This is not necessarily an objection, but we want to register ... [Inaudible – mic not on.]

The SPEAKER: Will you please press your mic there.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Speaker. This is not necessarily an objection.

The SPEAKER: Will you please rise, Chief Whip, thank you.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): But I would like to register a point from the ANC. We have taken a serious decision in light of the instruction that was issued by the President of the Republic and in that we are indeed in agreement that we must do everything that we can in our powers first and foremost to ensure that we exercise social distance and as a matter of principle we are in agreement with that. We feel also that we are embarking on a process that need serious deliberations in the interest of our people, in the interest of the voters, in the interest of the poor and the marginalised people of the Western

Cape, and in that regard it would have been proper that an oversight role

would be given enough opportunity and proper debates will then be engaged

upon the Votes itself and therefore, as the African National Congress, we feel

that indeed a progressive stance that was agreed upon this morning is in fact

in our view that we can further note what is happening and raise our

concerns, instead of simply engaging on a debate that will not add value with

not enough time to engage on, to exercise our oversight role as the African

National Congress in this Legislature. I thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Chief Whip of the majority, of the

Opposition Party. May I then – is that a point of order, Chief Whip?

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Speaker. We had agreement across

party lines on how we would conduct the business of today. Just for clarity

then, is that an objection to the motion on the Order Paper or...?

The SPEAKER: No, it is not. [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: It is a point of order.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): A point of order.

The SPEAKER: Chief Whip, I think also for the hon members...

An HON MEMBER: In terms of Rule 90. [Interjection.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): You are not the Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Are you going to assist the Speaker?

The SPEAKER: Hon members, thank you. We have a very sound cooperation

among party lines. I have seen that this morning. We had a press conference

and the Chief Whip of the Opposition or of the Official Opposition is simply

raising the fact that under normal circumstances, Chief Whip, and hon

members, it would have been a different conversation, but we are now where

we are and they have cooperated in that spirit and I think I want to thank all

parties for having done so and on that note can I then say, agreed to.

Thank you. I recognise the Chief Whip.

(Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That notwithstanding Rule 163 the House considers the principle

and finalisation of the Western Cape Additional Adjustment

Appropriation Bill (2019/20 Financial Year) [B2-2020], today,

Thursday, 19 March 2020.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Chief Whip. Are there any objections? No objections? Agreed to.

I recognise the Chief Whip.

(Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That notwithstanding Rule 163 the House considers the principle and finalisation of the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B3-2020], today, Thursday, 19 March 2020.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Chief Whip. Are there any objections? No objections? Agreed to. I recognise the Chief Whip.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): I am done, thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Alright. Hon members, the first Order of the Day, I recognise the Secretary.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The SECRETARY: Consideration of principle of the Western Cape Additional Adjustment Appropriation Bill (2019/20 Financial Year)

[B2-2020]

The SPEAKER: Thank you Mr Secretary. As there is no speakers' list I now put the question: are there any objections to the approval of the principle of the Bill? [Interjections.]

I recognise the Chief Whip of the Opposition.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Speaker. The African National Congress has noted and in many ways raised its objections on the Budget itself. We have really felt that it will not be justice enough... [Interjection.]

Ms A P BANS: Come on! Sit down, sit down! You cannot [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: One at a time.

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon Chief Whip Lekker, will you please take your seat.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: I recognise the Deputy Chief Whip of the Major Opposition.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Speaker. Hon Speaker, I think we, as political parties, have agreed prior to this sitting that there will be no speakers, no speakers' list, no declarations from any political parties. It is disingenuous to now come into the House and unfair on all political parties represented in this House, to now have declarations by political parties. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: That is why you must sit down.

†Mnr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Ons kan julle nie vertrou nie.
[Tussenwerpsels.]

[Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: We cannot trust you. [Interjections.]]

An HON MEMBER: The Speaker cannot do his job. [Inaudible.] [Interjections.]

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: We cannot trust them.

An HON MEMBER: That is the problem.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, thank you, honourable. [Interjections.] Hon members, thank you. Order! Thank you, hon member Mitchell. I think if we are going to have a debate it is going to go against what we decided upon so I am just raising this in the spirit of our engagements this morning. I will allow you, the Chief Whip of the Opposition and I hope that it will not negate

and move away from the principle as we agreed this morning.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Speaker. I think listening is a skill. [Interjection.] There is only one thing that the African National Congress wants to put across, that we do not support the Budget.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon members. [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Must I repeat that? [Inaudible.] Use ear-buds!

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): The question was not put.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Use ear-buds!

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): No, the question was not put. The question was not put.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon members.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): We are happy to clear your ears!

The SPEAKER: We note the objection and the objection will be noted in the Order Paper. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: This is not your House. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Now the Secretary will read the Bill.

The SECRETARY: Western Cape Additional Adjustment Appropriation Bill (2019/20 Financial Year) [B2-2020]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr Secretary. As there is no speakers' list, now I am going to proceed with that matter and go to the second Order, but the current matter is being carried through the objection of the ANC.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Yes.

The SPEAKER: So the next matter, when I put it to a vote, I mean when I get to a point where I ask whether there are objections, it would be suffice if the ANC just – if you object, to just rise and say you object. It is fine.

May I then do the following, I now put the question that I put Vote 8 – Human Settlements, are there any objections to Vote 8? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

Okay, I think the yeses have it. Are you objecting, Chief Whip?

An HON MEMBER: There is an objection, hon Speaker.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Listening is a skill.

An HON MEMBER: The ANC is objecting. [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): I told you listening is a skill. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Are you objecting, Chief Whip?

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The SPEAKER: Okay, let me help the House. [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Speaker, on a point of order, surely the noes have it. There are no objections?

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): You said, are there any objections, and we said yes. [Interjections.]

HON MEMBERS: Yes, yes! [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): No. [Interjections.] Surely the noes have it. [Laughter.] There is no objection. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order, hon members, order! The hon members, we

are now dealing with the consideration of vote and schedule.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Yes.

The SPEAKER: And the Secretary read the second Order, which is - that is

what we are busy with. Now because there is no speakers' list, I then put the

question, which I put Vote 8 - Human Settlements. Now I am asking whether

there are any objections to Vote 8. [Interjections.]

HON MEMBERS: Yes, yes!

The SPEAKER: Okay, the yeses have it. [Interjections.]

HON MEMBERS: No, no!

The SPEAKER: The noes have it? [Applause.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): On a point of order, hon Speaker...

The SPEAKER: The noes have it?

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): The noes have it. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: I want to hear you properly. Who speaks the loudest? You

must speak loud if you say no. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): No, no, it is not...

The SPEAKER: I want to hear, if you say no, I want to hear you loud enough.

Okay, let me hear you again.

HON MEMBERS: No, no!

The SPEAKER: Okay, thank you. The noes have it. [Interjections.] The noes have it. Hon members, there is one Speaker. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Do try to tell the Speaker what to do, Chief Whip Wenger, you are busy telling the Speaker... [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Speaker...

The SPEAKER: There is no division. The noes have it. Let us proceed.

I just want... [Interjection.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Just for clarity, what is the final outcome please?

HON MEMBER: Yes, yes!

The SPEAKER: The outcome is no. The noes have it, but what I do as the

Speaker... [Interjections.] Hon members, we can be out of here as soon as

you want. What I have asked is whether there are any objections, so the

yeses spoke louder than the noes, so I wanted to hear and then the yeses

spoke less than the noes. So thank you, Chief Whip. Okay. [Interjections.]

Mr P J MARAIS: Hon Speaker, on a point of order.

The SPEAKER: Yes Sir.

Mr P J MARAIS: Can we let the yeses and the noes shout out separately. It

is most confusing, because they shout "yes" and they shout "no" and they do

not know why they are saying no or yes.

The SPEAKER: That has been now concluded. Thank you, hon member

Marais. Order, hon members. [Interjections.] [Interjections.] Order, hon

members! We are busy with the second Order and the noes have it and that

concluded the decision on the vote.

I now put the schedule to the Bill. I now put the schedule to the Bill. Are we

all in agreement? No, okay. No objections, because the noes had it, then we

proceed.

I now put Clauses 1, 2 and 3 of the Bill. Remember the noes had it.

I now put the short title, the noes have it.

Now the Vote, which is now in fact the Schedule closes and the Short Title

have therefore been opposed and in that way we are now proceeding. It has

therefore been agreed to.

The Secretary will read the third Order of the Day.

The SECRETARY: Finalisation of the Western Cape Additional Adjustment

Appropriation Bill (2019/20 Financial Year) [B2-2020]

The SPEAKER: Hon members, there are no speakers' list. I now put the

question, are there any objections to the Bill being finalised? [Interjections.]

HON MEMBERS: No, no. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes, you are practising now.

The SPEAKER: The noes have it.

An HON MEMBER: Are you sure? [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Yes, I think the sound was too much for the noes.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): There is a sense of improvement. [Interjections.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: We will moderate, we will

moderate our voices.

The SPEAKER: The Secretary will read the Bill.

The SECRETARY: Western Cape Additional Adjustment Appropriation Bill (2019/20 Financial Year)

The SPEAKER: Hon members, the Bill will be sent to the Premier for assent.

[Applause.]

Hon members, the Secretary will read the fourth Order. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Give them voting and vote money!

Ms A P BANS: Our Chief Whip must get [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

The SECRETARY: Consideration of the principle of the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020]

The SPEAKER: Hon members, as there is no speakers' list I now put the question, are there any objections to the approval of the principle of the Bill? [ANC objects.]

Thank you, hon members. I recognise the objection by the ANC but the Bill

has been carried. Agreed to.

The Secretary will read the Bill.

The SECRETARY: Western Cape Appropriation Bill.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr Secretary. The House will now deal with the

separate votes and that is the fifth Order. Mr Secretary, Vote 10.

The SECRETARY: Vote 10 - Transport and Public Works - Western Cape

Appropriation Bill [B3 – 2020].

The SPEAKER: Hon members, there is no speakers' list. I now put the

question that the Vote be agreed to. Any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC

objects.]

Thank you, hon members, I can say now that the yeses have it.

An HON MEMBER: Oh, the yeses? [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): No-no, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The noes have it.

An HON MEMBER: Sit down!

The SPEAKER: The noes have it.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): No, hon Speaker, on a point of order [Interjections.]

I would like to call for a division.

The SPEAKER: Please take your seat, hon Chief Whip. The question that I

put, I want to hear the noes clearly. I cannot assume. I am sitting here as the

Chair, so I can assure you if I ask the second question I will hear better.

I put the question: are there any objections to the Vote? In fact I now put the

question that the Vote be agreed to. Are there any objections?

[Interjections.]

Okay. Chief Whip of the Opposition?

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Speaker. You know, we are in a

democratic society.

The SPEAKER: Yes.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): And as such we must behave like that. Now here

there is a question put to the House because others are not alert and when a

decision is being made it seems as if there is an attempt to bully a decision

that has been made. It is not our fault that members, when they are supposed

to echo their policy position, decide to be relaxed and keep quiet and so,

Chairperson, or hon Speaker, I want to bring it to your attention that what is

happening now here is unfair and we want to place it on the record. We

cannot be bullied.

The SPEAKER: Noted, Chief Whip of the Opposition.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Speaker...

The SPEAKER: Yes, Chief Whip.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, in the interest of democracy then I

would like to call for a division. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Chief Whip...

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Just get advice from the Table.

The SPEAKER: The division may be called but in this case I am not granting

it. [Interjections.]

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Thank you.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Let us proceed. What I am asking now, I am putting the

question again for the last time. [Interjections.] Hon members, this morning

- can I please, hon members, there is one Speaker here. The Chief Whip has

asked a question and I say no, but what I am asking is that let us just

cooperate, so I am going to put the question again, I am going to put the

question again to the House and the question that I put is on Vote 10, and

I ask whether there are any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

Then there are no objections. Agreed to. [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): There is an objection.

The SPEAKER: The Secretary – I note the objection by the ANC.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Yes.

The SPEAKER: Is there any other party? No? So I note the objection by the

ANC and then we are moving, is that fine, Chief Whips and hon members?

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The SPEAKER: Alright, thank you. I wish we were all in the meeting this

morning.

An HON MEMBER: I was not. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, thank you. That concludes this vote. The

Secretary will now read the sixth Order. [Interjections.] Is that a point of

order, hon member Mvimbi?

Mr L L MVIMBI: On a point of order, hon Speaker, it is actually against the

spirit of what we have agreed to this morning as leaders, that I am actually

going to speak, but I am actually forced that I must raise this matter, because

at first on this vote, especially on Vote 10, when you raise whether there are

any objections, actually the voices that said the loudest were those that said

"yes".

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): That is not a point of order.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Uh-uh, no! [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Let us allow hon member Mvimbi.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): You were sleeping here when the question was

posed.

The SPEAKER: Order! Please proceed, hon member Mvimbi.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): You were sleeping when the question was posed.

Mr L L MVIMBI: Now on a point of procedure then, that means that that was

carried... [Inaudible.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): No.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The SPEAKER: No-no, order, hon members. Let us allow hon member

Mvimbi. Please proceed.

Mr L L MVIMBI: So that means that that was carried. So now if that was

carried I do not know whether it was procedural again within the same

meeting that we must turn back again in order to reverse what has already

been agreed.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Mvimbi. Let me for the purposes...

[Interjections.] Thank you. Hon members, in terms of the Rules, if the

Speaker has not said it has been carried, it has not been carried.

An HON MEMBER: Exactly! [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: But what I did, what I did, I am trying to - hon members, I

am trying to respond to hon member Mvimbi who put the question to me.

What I did was to speak on the principle because I put the question, to

understand whether what is the loudest between the yeses and the noes. So I

had to bring the attention of the members, and remember we are dealing with

many votes, so I need to make sure that everybody – all the members understand where we are. So I hope that next time when a mistake confronts your party or yourself we can also do the same. Can we proceed?

Thank you, hon members. It is now Vote 1. I mean the next order is the sixth Order of the Day, and the Secretary will read Vote 1.

The SECRETARY: Vote 1 - Premier - Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020].

The SPEAKER: Hon members, as there is no speakers' list, I now put the question that the vote be agreed to. Are there any objections? [Interjections.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Yes.

The SPEAKER: Are there any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

The noes have it. That concludes the decision on the vote. Then the vote is carried. The Secretary will now read the seventh Order.

The SECRETARY: Vote 6 - Health - Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020].

The SPEAKER: Thank you Mr Secretary. As there is no speakers' list, I now

put the question that the vote be agreed to. Are there any objections?

[Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

Hon members, the noes again; the noes again have it and that then suggests

that the vote has been carried, and that concludes the decision on this vote.

Now the next Order, Secretary, the eighth Order?

The SECRETARY: Vote 11 - Agriculture - Western Cape Appropriation Bill

[B3 - 2020].

The SPEAKER: Hon members, order! As there is no speakers' list, I now put

the question that the vote be agreed to. Are there any objections?

[Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

No objections? That concludes the decision on the vote and the vote is

carried.

Mr Secretary, the ninth Order. [Interjections.] I noted that there are no

objections.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): There is a minority.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: There was an objection.

The SPEAKER: One objection.

An HON MEMBER: Rule 90. [Laughter.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): From the ANC.

The SPEAKER: One objection noted from the ANC.

An HON MEMBER: The objections are noted.

The SPEAKER: Ja, if we hear the objection loud enough we will record it. Hon, the Leader of the Opposition, thank you. Mr Secretary, thank you, Sir.

The SECRETARY: Vote 9 - Environmental Affairs and Development Planning - Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020].

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr Secretary. There is no speakers' list, hon members. I now put the question that the vote be agreed to. Are there any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

I can hear the noes have it and therefore that concludes the decision and the vote is carried. Can we go to the next Order, the tenth Order, Mr Secretary?

The SECRETARY: Vote 7 - Social Development - Western Cape

Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020].

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr Secretary. As there is no speakers' list, hon

members, I now put the question that the vote be agreed to. Are there any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

I must say I have heard the loudest voices that I did not know that you can...

I did not know that the noes have the loudest of the voices. That concludes
the decision on the vote. The noes have it. The 11th Order, hon members.

The SECRETARY: Vote 8 - Human Settlements - Western Cape

Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020].

The SPEAKER: Hon members, as there is no speakers' list, I now put the question that the vote be agreed to. Any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

Thank you, hon members, the noes have it. The vote has been carried. Mr Secretary, the 12th Order.

The SECRETARY: Vote 5 - Education - Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020].

The SPEAKER: Hon members, as there is no speakers' list, I now put the question that the vote be agreed to. Are there any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

The noes have it. The vote has been carried. That concludes the decision on

the vote. Mr Secretary, the 13th Order.

The SECRETARY: Vote 14 - Local Government - Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020].

The SPEAKER: Hon members, the fact that I do not say when for instance in the previous one we record the objections of the ANC. The 13th Order, are there any – because there is no speakers' list, I now put the question that the vote be agreed to. Are there any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

No objections? Agreed to. The noes have it. The vote is carried.

An HON MEMBER: There is an objection of the ANC.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Objection [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: The ANC's objection has been recorded. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Secretary will now read the 14the Order.

The SECRETARY: Vote 3 - Provincial Treasury - Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020].

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Are they in support?

The SPEAKER: Thank you Mr Secretary. Hon members, there is no speakers' list. I now put the question that the vote be agreed to. Are there any

objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects]

Hon members, the noes have it, the objection of the ANC will be noted, will

be recorded, and that concludes the decision and the vote has been carried.

[Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: [Inaudible.] talk about the salary increases.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon members. Order! [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: No salary increases.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Can you repeat that again? [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon members. What is going on?

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): No, he was saying that, we want to hear.

[Interjections.] Do not keep numb! We want to hear what he said.

The SPEAKER: What are we missing?

An HON MEMBER: I said there will be no salary increases. We have families. [Inaudible.]

Ms A P BANS: Who was saying that now? [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): This one! [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon members, order! Order, hon Minister Fritz, order hon the Chief Whip of the Opposition. Let us not do that in the House, please. The Secretary will read the 15th Order.

The SECRETARY: Vote 12 - Economic Opportunities and Tourism - Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020].

The SPEAKER: Hon members, as there is no speakers' list, I now put the question that the vote be agreed to. Are there any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

Hon members, the noes have it. The decision has been carried and therefore that concludes this vote. The ANC's objection has been noted, it has been recorded as such.

The Secretary will now read the 16th Order.

The SECRETARY: Vote 13 - Cultural Affairs and Sport - Western Cape

Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020].

The SPEAKER: Hon members, as there is no speakers' list, I now put the question that the vote be agreed to. Are there any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

The noes have it. The objection of the ANC has been recorded as such. That concludes the decision on the vote and the vote is carried. [Interjections.] Order, order, order hon members! That concludes the decision on this vote. The Secretary will read the 17th Order.

The SECRETARY: Vote 4 - Community Safety - Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020].

The SPEAKER: Hon members, as there is no speakers' list, again I now put the question that the vote be agreed to. Are there any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

Hon members, thank you. The noes have it. I now put it before the House that this vote has been carried, but the objection of the ANC has been recorded as such, and that concludes the decision on the vote.

Let us move to the next Order. Mr Secretary.

The SECRETARY: Vote 2 - Provincial Parliament - Western Cape

Appropriation Bill [B3 – 2020].

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Secretary. Hon members, as there is no speakers'

list, I now put the question that the vote be agreed to. [Interjections.]

Are there any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

Thank you. Thank you, hon members. The noes have it.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: This vote is under-funded.

The SPEAKER: Oh!

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): The objection from the ANC is noted. [Inaudible.]

An HON MEMBER: Under-funded.

The SPEAKER: Noted. The noes have it and the ANC's objection that this vote is under-funded is recorded, and that concludes the decision on this vote.

An HON MEMBER: Yes, thank you, hon Speaker.

An HON MEMBER: He wants more money.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, thank you. Mr Secretary, the 19th Order.

The SECRETARY: Consideration of Schedules, Clauses and Short Title – Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B3 - 2020]

The SPEAKER: Hon members, I now put the Schedules, any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

The noes have it. I recognise, I acknowledge and record the ANC's objection as such.

I now put Clauses 1 to 10 of the Bill. Are there any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

The noes have it. The objection of the ANC will be recorded as such, and that concludes the consideration of Schedules and Clauses.

I now put the Short Title, any objections? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

The noes have it.

An HON MEMBER: It is too short, that title.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Objection to the short title?

The SPEAKER: And the ANC's objection to the title has been recorded as

such.

An HON MEMBER: It is too short. [Laughter.]

The SPEAKER: And that the title is too short.

An HON MEMBER: And that is the reason why you object. [Laughter.]

The SPEAKER: Hon members, order! The Secretary will read the 20th Order.

The SECRETARY: Finalisation of the Western Cape Appropriation Bill.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr Secretary. As there is no speakers' list, hon members, I now put the question. Are there any objections to the Bill being finalised? [Interjections.] [ANC objects.]

Hon members, the noes have it.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): We objected to the [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: The objection of the ANC has been recorded as such.

The Secretary will read the Bill.

The SECRETARY: Western Cape Appropriation Bill.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr Secretary. Hon members, the Bill will be sent to the Premier for assent. The Secretary will read the 21st Order.

The SECRETARY: Consideration of Report of the Standing Committee on Social Development on the Appointment of the Western Cape Commissioner for Children.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr Secretary. As there is no speakers' list, hon members, I now put the question that the report be adopted. Are there any objections to the report being adopted? [Interjections.]

No objections. Thank you, hon members. The House has adopted the report unanimously. The resolution of the House... [Interjections.] Hon members, order! Order, hon members! Order!

The resolution of the House will be communicated to the Premier for consideration in terms of Section 8 of the Western Cape Provincial Constitution.

Before the House adjourns I just want to say to all of you, hon members, thank you very much for your cooperation. We are all aware that it is an anomaly. We work in extremely difficult circumstances and the condition outside necessitates that the House had to operate as such and be responsible and provide leadership. So in that regard, thank you very much.

That concludes the business of the day.

The House is adjourned. Thank you.

The House adjourned at 14:47.