

Weeds (Amendment) Bill 2013
Third Reading approved

The Speaker: Item 5, Bill for Third Reading, the Weeds (Amendment) Bill, and I call on the mover, Mrs Beecroft, please.

Mrs Beecroft: Thank you, Mr Speaker.

As previously advised, this Bill makes a number of amendments to the Weeds Act 1957, intended to introduce clarity in relation to the management and destruction of injurious weeds. The Bill enables the production of the code of practice, a draft of which has been circulated to Members for information, on the management of ragwort. This code will be put to Tynwald for approval once the Bill has been enacted. The amendments to the Weed Act 1957 mean that the focus of injurious weed management will be in relation to animal welfare on agricultural land.

Mr Speaker, I beg to move that this Bill be read a third time.

The Speaker: Mr Gawne.

Mr Gawne: Gura mie eu, Loayreyder.
I beg to second and reserve my remarks.

The Speaker: I put the question that the Weeds (Amendment) Bill 2013 be read for the third time. Those in favour, please say aye; against, no. The ayes have it. The ayes have it.

Hon. Members, that concludes the business before the House this morning. I would remind Members of the Standing Orders Committee that there is to be a meeting immediately following this sitting.

The House will now stand adjourned until the next sitting, which will take place at 10 o'clock on Tuesday, 30th April in this Chamber.