

PART III

THE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THE NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION

FIFTH ASSEMBLY

No. 15

Tuesday 15 September 1987

1. MEETING:

The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to resolution of the Assembly dated 28 July 1987. Mr Speaker, the Honourable R.W.S. Vale, took the Chair.

2. PRAYERS.

3. ELECTION TRIBUNAL DECISION DECLARING VOID ELECTION FOR DIVISION OF BARKLY - PAPER TABLED:

The Clerk laid on the Table a copy of the decision of the Election Tribunal dated 30 July 1987 to the effect that the Election for the Electoral Division of Barkly held on 7 March 1987 was void.

4. RETURN TO WRIT - PAPER TABLED:

The Clerk produced and laid on the Table the Return to Writ issued by His Honour the Acting Administrator, Mr Justice Nader, on 17 August 1987 for the election of a Member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Barkly, certifying the election of Ian Lindsay Tuxworth.

5. MEMBER FOR BARKLY - MR I.L. TUXWORTH:

The Member for Barkly, Ian Lindsay Tuxworth, was admitted to the Assembly, made and subscribed oaths of allegiance and of office, and was conducted to his place.

6. PETITION:

Mr Hanrahan, by leave, presented a petition in the form of an address, not conforming with Standing Orders, from 195 citizens of the Northern Territory relating to the management of crocodiles in the McArthur River.

Petition read.

7. NOTICES:

The following notices were given:

Mr Hatton: To present the Police Administration Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 33); the Bail Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 34); the Criminal Code Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 35); and the Firearms Amendment Bill (No.2) 1987 (Serial 56).

Mr Coulter: To present the Jabiru Town Development Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 54) and the Financial Administration and Audit Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 49).

8. QUESTION TIME - STATEMENT - PAPER TABLED:

The Speaker made a statement relating to the giving of the call at Question Time and stated that the call is given in the following manner -

The call is alternated between the Government and the Opposition sides of the Chamber. At the start of Question Time, if the Leader of the Opposition first rises, the call will be given to him. If, however, a Government backbencher is the first to rise, he will be given the call. The Leader of the Opposition will receive the call for the Opposition side whenever he rises except that after he had had three calls the call will then be given either to one of the Independent Members or the National Party Member if seeking the call.

If the Leader of the Opposition does not rise, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition has precedence over other opposition Members.

Paper tabled: The Speaker laid on the Table a statistical paper of Questions asked since the commencement of the Fifth Assembly.

9. QUESTIONS:

Questions were asked of Ministers.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR:

Mr Speaker read the following message from His Honour the Acting Administrator:

Message No. 3

I, JOHN ANTHONY NADER, the Acting Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia, in pursuance of section 11 of the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978* of the Commonwealth, recommend to the Legislative Assembly a Bill for an Act to appropriate certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the year ending 30 June 1988.

Dated this 11th Day of September, 1987.

(Sgd) J.A. NADER
Acting Administrator.

11. APPROPRIATION BILL 1987-88 (Serial 58) - BUDGET SPEECH - PAPERS TABLED:

The Treasurer (Mr Coulter) presented a Bill for an Act to appropriate certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the year ending 30 June 1988, the subject of His Honour the Acting Administrator's Message No. 3.

Bill read a first time.

Papers tabled: Mr Coulter laid on the Table Budget Papers 1987-88 -

No. 1

° Budget Speech

No. 2

° Statement of Revenue Sources

No. 3

° Appropriation Bill and Summary of Special Appropriations

No. 4.1

- Office of the Auditor-General
- Office of the Ombudsman
- Northern Territory Police, Fire and Emergency Services
- Department of the Chief Minister
- Department of the Legislative Assembly

No. 4.2

- Aboriginal Sacred Sites Protection Authority
- Department of Lands and Housing
- Northern Territory Housing Commission

No. 4.3

- Museums and Art Galleries Board
- Conservation Commission of the Northern Territory

No. 4.4

- Northern Territory Tourist Commission

No. 4.5

- Racing, Gaming and Liquor Commission
- Northern Territory Treasury
- Territory Loans Management Corporation

No. 4.6

- Northern Territory Power and Water Authority
- Electrical Workers and Contractors Licensing Board
- Department of Mines and Energy

No. 4.7

- Trade Development Zone Authority
- Department of Industries and Development

No. 4.8

- Department of Law

No. 4.9

- University College of the Northern Territory
- Northern Territory Council of Advanced Education
- Department of Education
- Technical and Further Education Advisory Council

No. 4.10

- Department of Health and Community Services

No. 4.11

- Office of the Public Service Commissioner
- Work Health Authority

No. 4.12

- Darwin Port Authority
- Department of Transport and Works

No. 5

- Capital Works Program 1987-88

No. 6

- The Northern Territory Economy 1987-88

Mr Coulter moved - That the Bill be now read a second time - and delivered the budget speech.

On the motion of the Member for Millner (Mr Smith) debate was adjourned.

12. DECISION OF ELECTION TRIBUNAL DECLARING VOID THE ELECTION FOR THE DIVISION OF BARKLY HELD ON 7 MARCH 1987 - PAPERS TABLED - STATEMENT:

The Speaker tabled the following papers relating to the decision of the Election Tribunal of 30 July 1987 to the effect that the election for the Division of Barkly held on 7 March 1987 was void:

- (1) a copy of the advice on the position of Mr Tuxworth given by the Department of Law following the declaration of the Election Tribunal;
- (2) a copy of the advice received from the Honourable T.E.F. Hughes QC;
- (3) a copy of a letter from the Attorney-General on the matter addressed to Mr Speaker and dated 6 August 1987; and
- (4) a copy of a letter from Mr Speaker to Mr Tuxworth relating to the matter.

The Speaker made a statement relating to the consequent temporary closing of the Barkly Electorate Office.

Suspension of sitting: The sitting was suspended between 11.56 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.

13. ORDER OF BUSINESS POSTPONED:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That Government Business, Notice No.1, relating to speech time limits on censure and want of confidence motions be postponed to the next sitting day.

Question - put and passed.

14. STOCK ROUTES AND TRAVELLING STOCK AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 23):

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -

Debate resumed.

Question - put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for a motion for the third reading of the Bill to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of the Minister for Industries and Development (Mr Perron) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

15. STOCK DISEASES AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 24):

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -

Debate resumed.

Question - put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for a motion for the third reading of the Bill to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of the Minister for Industries and Development (Mr Perron) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

16. FURTHER NOTICES:

The following further notices were given, by leave:

Mr Manzie: To present the Statute Law Revision Bill (No.2) 1987 (Serial 50); and the Bail Amendment Bill (No.2) 1987 (Serial 57).

17. ADJOURNMENT:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned at 4.03 p.m. until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

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PAPERS:

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 15 September 1987.

Annual Report:

Aboriginal Sacred Sites Protection Authority, 1985-86 (Seventh)

Agricultural Development and Marketing Authority, 1985-86

Education Advisory Council, 1986

Parole Board, 1986

Community Government By-laws:

Pine Creek Community Government Council (Common Seal) By-laws

Financial Administration and Audit Act:

Direction by Administrator in pursuance of section 13(1)(a) - 5.6.87

Direction by Administrator in pursuance of section 13(1)(a) - 24.6.87

Direction by Treasurer in pursuance of section 13(1)(b) - 9.6.87

Direction by Treasurer in pursuance of section 13(1)(b) - 9.6.87

Direction by Treasurer in pursuance of section 13(1)(b) - 30.6.87

Recommendations under S.103 of Crown Lands Act:

Revocation of Reserve No. 1141, Town of Darwin

Revocation of Reserve No. 1266, Town of Darwin

Revocation of Reserve No. 1273, Town of Darwin

Revocation of Reserve No. 1638, Town of Nightcliff

Revocation of Reserve No. 1646, Town of Nightcliff

Revocation of Reserve No. 1661, Town of Darwin

Regulations 1987:

No.29 - Jabiru Town Development (Aboriginal Camping Areas) By-laws

No.35 - Business Franchise (Petroleum Products) Regulations

No.36 - Amendment to the Associations Incorporation Regulation

Reports:

Gurig National Park Plan of Management - Plan of Management

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ATTENDANCE:

All Members attended the sitting.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 16

Wednesday 16 September 1987

1. MEETING:

The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker, the Honourable R.W.S. Vale, took the Chair.

2. PRAYERS.

3. PETITIONS:

Mr Leo, by leave, presented a petition, not conforming with Standing Orders, from 199 citizens of the Northern Territory requesting that irradiation of food be prevented in the Northern Territory.

Petition read.

Mr Bell presented a petition from 266 citizens of Yulara relating to facilities and community issues at Yulara.

Petition read.

4. NOTICE:

The following notice was given:

Mr Manzie: To present the Legal Practitioners Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 59).

5. QUESTIONS:

Questions were asked of Ministers.

6. PERSONAL EXPLANATION:

The Treasurer (Mr Coulter), by leave, made a personal explanation relating to an interjection during question time which was attributed to him.

7. RECREATIONAL FISHING - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - PAPER TABLED - STATEMENT NOTED:

The Minister for Industries and Development (Mr Perron) made a statement relating to recreational fishing in the Northern Territory.

Paper tabled: Mr Perron tabled the following paper -

- ° Fishing Territory - A report on a study of Recreational Fishing in the Northern Territory by Bill Coburn.

Mr Perron moved - That the Assembly take note of the Statement.
Debate ensued.

Suspension of sitting: The sitting was suspended between 11.55 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.

Debate resumed.

Question - put and passed.

8. FURTHER NOTICE:

The following further notice was given, by leave:

Mr Hatton: To present the Legislative Assembly Members (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 1987 (Serial 62).

9. PROPOSED SESSIONAL ORDER RELATING TO CENSURE AND WANT OF CONFIDENCE MOTIONS - REFERENCE TO STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan), by leave, amended Government Business, Notice No.1, standing in his name, and, pursuant to notice, moved - That,

"the question of the appropriateness of Standing Order 95 in relation to speaking times, numbers of speakers and the overall length of debate be referred to the Standing Orders Committee for consideration and report."

Question - put and passed.

10. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - TAKE THREE BILLS TOGETHER:

Mr Hatton (Chief Minister) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent three Bills namely: the Police Administration Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 33); the Bail Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 34); and the Criminal Code Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 35) -

(a) being presented and read a first time together and one motion being put in regard to, respectively, the second readings, the Committee's report stage, and the third readings of the Bills together; and

(b) the consideration of the Bills separately in Committee of the Whole.

Question - put and passed - there being an absolute majority of the whole number of Members present and no dissentient voice.

11. POLICE ADMINISTRATION AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 33); BAIL AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 34); and CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 35):

The Chief Minister (Mr Hatton), pursuant to notice and resolution, presented Bills for Acts to amend; the *Police Administration Act* by making provision for obtaining from certain persons in lawful custody evidence of offences committed by those or other persons and to overcome certain restrictions on the obtaining and use of such evidence imposed by or implicit in the common law as enunciated in the decision of the High Court of Australia in the case of Williams v R given on 26 August 1986; the *Bail Act*; and the *Criminal Code*.

Bills read a first time.

Mr Hatton moved - That the Bills be now read a second time.

On the motion of Mr Tipiloura (Arafura) debate was adjourned.

12. FIREARMS AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1987 (Serial 56):

The Chief Minister (Mr Hatton), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Firearms Act*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hatton moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Mr Tipiloura (Arafura) debate was adjourned.

13. ALTERATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS:

The Chief Minister (Mr Hatton) moved - That Government Business, Notices Nos.6 and 7 relating to the Financial Administration and Audit Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 49) and Jabiru Town Development Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 54) respectively, be postponed until a later hour.

Question - put and passed.

14. BAIL AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1987 (Serial 57):
The Minister for Industries and Development (Mr Perron) on behalf of and at the request of the Attorney-General, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Bail Act*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Perron moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.
On the motion of Mr Bell (MacDonnell) debate was adjourned.
15. STATUTE LAW REVISION BILL (No.2) 1987 (Serial 50):
The Minister for Industries and Development (Mr Perron) on behalf of and at the request of the Attorney-General, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to revise and correct the law of the Territory in minor respects.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Perron moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.
On the motion of Mr Bell (Macdonnell) debate was adjourned.
16. FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION AND AUDIT AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 49):
The Treasurer (Mr Coulter), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Financial Administration and Audit Act*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Coulter moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.
On the motion of Mr Smith (Millner) debate was adjourned.
17. JABIRU TOWN DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 54):
The Treasurer (Mr Coulter), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Jabiru Town Development Act*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Coulter moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.
On the motion of Mr Lanhupuy (Arnhem) debate was adjourned.
18. MOTOR VEHICLES AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 4):
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -
Debate resumed.
Question - put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee
(Chairman - Mr Dondas)

Clauses 1 to 7, by leave, taken together and agreed to.
New Clauses -
On the motion of the Minister for Transport and Works (Mr Finch), by leave, the following new clauses were inserted in the Bill, after debate -

"7A. LICENCES OF PUBLIC MOTOR VEHICLES

"Section 26(2) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraph (a) and substituting the following:

'(a) be in the approved form; and'".

"7B. LICENCE TO USE MOTOR CAR AS A PRIVATE HIRE CAR

"Section 27(2) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraph (a) and substituting the following:

'(a) be in the approved form; and'".

"7C. NEW SECTION

"The Principal Act is amended by inserting after section 27 the following:

'27AA. REGISTRAR TO NOTIFY FORM OF LICENCE

'Where a form of licence is approved for the purposes of section 26(2) or 27(2) the Registrar shall publish a copy of that form in the *Gazette*.'".

Clauses 8 and 9, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 10 read -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Omit from proposed section 27F(3) "advances of money" and insert in its stead "advances of money or credit".

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 11 to 17, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 18 read -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Omit all words after "Principal Act" and insert in their stead the following:

"is amended -

(a) by omitting from paragraph (af) 'and the issue, transfer or replacement of number plates' and substituting ', the issue, transfer or replacement of number plates and the inspection of motor vehicles'; and

(b) by inserting at the end the following:

'(2) Notwithstanding that the Regulations may prescribe a fee for the issue of number plates, the Registrar may offer number plates for sale by tender, auction, or other method approved by the Minister, and the purchase price paid by a person for number plates so offered shall be deemed to be the fee prescribed for the issue of those number plates.'".

Debate ensued.

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The Speaker (Mr Vale) resumed the Chair and the Chairman (Mr Dondas) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

On the motion of Mr Finch the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

19. TRAFFIC BILL 1987 (Serial 42):

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -

Debate resumed.

Question - put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee
(Chairman - Mr Dondas)

Clauses 1 and 2, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 3 read -

The Minister for Transport and Works (Mr Finch) moved the following amendment -

Omit from the proposed definition of "child" in subclause (1) "has attained the age of one year but".

Amendment agreed to.

Mr Finch moved the following further amendment -

Omit from the proposed definition of "competent authority" in subclause (1) "body or authority" and insert in its stead "body or authority (which shall include the Territory)".

Amendment agreed to.

Mr Finch moved the following further amendment -

Omit from the proposed definition of "footway" in subclause (1) all words after "or other place" and insert in their stead "intended exclusively for use by pedestrians and, except where bicycle use is expressly prohibited, by persons riding bicycles;".

Amendment agreed to.

Mr Finch moved the following further amendment -

Insert after the proposed definition of "intersection" in subclause (1) the following:

"'lane line' means a line marked on a carriage-way to separate vehicles travelling in the same direction on the carriageway;".

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 4 to 9, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 10 read -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Omit from clause 10 "Director" (wherever occurring) and insert in its stead "Minister, the Director".

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 11 read -

On the motion of Mr Finch, by leave, the following amendments were taken together and agreed to, after debate -

Omit from subclause (4) "section, with effect on and from the date a control area".

Omit from subclause (5) "for the purposes of its application" and insert in its stead ", for the purposes of the application of that provision".

Omit from subclause (6) "under section (3)(e)," and insert in its stead "under subsection (3)(e)".

Omit from subclause (7) "Section 63(1)(b)," and insert in its stead "Section 63(1)(c), (8),".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 12 and 13, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 14 read -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Omit from subclause (1) "a competent authority" and insert in its stead "a competent authority (other than the Territory)".

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 15 to 18, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 19 read -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Omit from subclause (5)(d) "the *Motor Vehicles Act*" and insert in its stead "the *Motor Vehicles Act* or section 42".

Amendment agreed to.

Mr Finch moved the following further amendment -

Omit from subclause (5)(e) "is not licensed or otherwise permitted" and insert in its stead "is not licensed, other than by virtue of the fact that the person has failed to renew his or her licence, or is not otherwise permitted".

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 20 read -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Add at the end the following:

"(7) For the purposes of subsection (1), a person shall be deemed to have failed to submit to a breath analysis if that person by that person's actions or inactions, in any way, prevents a member of the Police Force from requiring that person to submit to a breath analysis."

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 21 to 32, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 33 read -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Omit from subclause (3)(a) "a country or".

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 34 read -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Omit from subclause (1) "shall not drive" and insert in its stead "shall not drive or permit to be driven".

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 35 agreed to.

Clause 36 read -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Omit from subclause (2) "an officer authorized by the Minister" and insert in its stead "a person authorized by a statutory corporation to make complaints on its behalf under this Act".

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 37 to 41, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 42 read -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Omit "the provisions of section 10A(3) of that Act shall continue to apply to and in relation to that person" and insert in its stead "the person's licence shall, for the purposes of that Act and this Act, continue to be provisional".

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 43 read -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Add at the end the following:

"(3) For the purposes of this section, a reference to a person having been convicted of an offence includes a person to whom an order (including an order to dismiss a charge) made under section 4(1) of the *Criminal Law (Conditional Release of Offenders) Act* in respect of that offence relates."

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 44 to 54, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 55 negatived.

Mr Finch moved - That the following new clause be inserted in the Bill -

"55. REPEAL

"(1) Subject to subsection (2), the Ordinances and Acts listed in Schedule 2 are repealed.

"(2) Notwithstanding the repeals effected by subsection (1), Part IV of the *Traffic Act*, as in force immediately before the commencement of this Act (other than sections 1 and 2 of this Act), shall, by virtue of this subsection, continue in force after that commencement and shall be deemed to form part of this Act until repealed by the Minister by notice in the *Gazette*."

Proposed new clause agreed to.

Schedule I agreed to.

Schedule II -

Mr Finch moved the following amendment -

Add at the end the following:

"*Traffic Amendment Act 1987* No. 16, 1987."

Amendment agreed to.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The Speaker (Mr Vale) resumed the Chair and the Chairman (Mr Dondas) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

On the motion of the Minister for Transport and Works (Mr Finch) the bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

20. PERSONAL EXPLANATION:

The Member for Casuarina (Mr Dondas) made a personal explanation relating to a statement he made on 10 June 1987 concerning the sale of Block H on the Finnis River.

21. ADJOURNMENT:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned at 8.44 p.m. until tomorrow at 10.00 a.m.

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PAPERS:

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 16 September 1987:

Annual Report:

Territory Insurance Office, 1986-87

Financial Statements:

Government Printing Office, 1985-86

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ATTENDANCE:

All Members attended the sitting.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 17

Thursday 17 September 1987

1. MEETING:

The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker, the Honourable R.W.S. Vale, took the Chair.

2. PRAYERS.

3. QUESTIONS:

Questions were asked of Ministers.

4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That leave of absence for today be granted to the Attorney-General (Mr Manzie) on account of Government Business interstate.

Question - put and passed.

5. ORDER OF BUSINESS:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That Government Business, Order of the Day No.1 relating to the Appropriation Bill 1987-88 (Serial 58) be called on forthwith.

Question - put and passed.

6. APPROPRIATION BILL 1987-88 (Serial 58):

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -

Debate resumed.

On the motion of Mr Hanrahan (Flynn) debate was adjourned.

Suspension of sitting: The sitting was suspended between 12.12 p.m. and 2.15 p.m.

7. ORDER OF BUSINESS:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That Government Business, Order of the Day, relating to the Appropriation Bill 1987-88 (Serial 58) be called on forthwith.

Question - put and passed.

8. APPROPRIATION BILL 1987-88 (Serial 58):

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -

Debate resumed.

On the motion of Mr Hanrahan (Flynn) debate was adjourned.

9. GRAIN INDUSTRY - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:

The Minister for Industries and Development (Mr Perron) made a statement relating to the grain industry in the Northern Territory.

Mr Perron moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.

On the motion of Mr Leo (Nhulunbuy) debate was adjourned.

10. LEGAL PRACTITIONERS AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 59):

The Minister for Industries and Development (Mr Perron) on behalf of and at the request of the Attorney-General (Mr Manzie), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Legal Practitioners Act*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Perron moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Mr Lanhupuy (Arnhem) debate was adjourned.

11. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL 1987 (Serial 62):

The Chief Minister (Mr Hatton), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the remuneration of and the payment of allowances to, and the reimbursement of certain expenses incurred by, a member of the Legislative Assembly elected after the Election Tribunal declared the member's previous election void or that the member was not duly elected at the previous election, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hatton moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Mr Smith (Millner) debate was adjourned.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Question - put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned at 5.01 p.m. until 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday 22 September 1987.

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ATTENDANCE:

All Members attended the sitting, except Mr Manzie (on leave).

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 18

Tuesday 22 September 1987

1. MEETING:

The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker, the Honourable R.W.S. Vale, took the Chair.

2. PRAYERS.

3. NOTICE:

The following notice was given:

Mr Manzie: To present the Juries Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 61).

4. QUESTIONS:

Questions were asked of Ministers.

5. GOVERNMENT BUSINESS:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan), by leave, made a statement relating to the items and order of business that the Government intended to deal with during the remainder of this sittings.

6. HEALTH PROMOTION - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:

The Minister for Health (Mr Dale), made a statement relating to the Northern Territory Government's preventative health program.

Mr Dale moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.

Debate ensued.

Suspension of sitting: The sitting was suspended between 11.51 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.

Debate continued.

On the motion of Mr Hanrahan (Flynn) debate was adjourned.

7. FURTHER NOTICE:

The following further notice was given, by leave:

Mr Coulter: To present the Uranium Mining (Environment Control) Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 66).

8. BUFFALO INDUSTRY - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:

The Minister for Industries and Development (Mr Perron) made a statement relating to the buffalo industry in the Northern Territory.

Mr Perron moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.

Debate ensued.

On the motion of Mr Harris (Port Darwin) debate was adjourned.

9. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE - FINNISS RIVER, BLOCK H:

Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that Mr Bell (Macdonnell) had proposed that the following definite matter of public importance be submitted to the Assembly for discussion this day:

"The Government's failure to deal in property in an equitable, unbiased manner to the benefit of all Territorians".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support - The Speaker called upon Mr Bell to discuss the matter.

Paper tabled: Mr Bell, by leave, tabled an unsigned statutory declaration dated 17 September 1987 relating to the sale of Block H at Finnis River - witnessed N.R. Bell.

Discussion continued.

Personal explanation: Mr Bell, by leave, made a personal explanation regarding comments made by the Minister for Lands and Housing relating to the statutory declaration previously tabled.

Paper tabled: Mr Bell, by leave, tabled a further unsigned statutory declaration dated 17 September 1987 relating to the sale of Block H at Finnis River - witnessed S. Francis.

Discussion continued.

Discussion concluded.

10. APPROPRIATION BILL 1987-88 (Serial 58):

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion - That the Bill be now read a second time -

Debate resumed.

On the motion of Mr Harris (Port Darwin) debate was adjourned.

11. SUPREME COURT (RULES OF PROCEDURE) BILL 1987 (Serial 22):

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -

Debate resumed.

Paper tabled: The Attorney-General (Mr Manzie) tabled a copy of the proposed Supreme Court Rules.

Question - put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee
(Chairman - Mr Dondas)

Clauses 1 to 3, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 4 read -

The Attorney-General (Mr Manzie) moved the following amendment -

Omit "(other than Order 64 of those Rules)" and insert in its stead "(other than Orders 64 and 69 of, and the Second and Fourth Schedules to, those Rules)".

Amendment agreed to.

Mr Manzie moved the following further amendment -

Add at the end the following:

"(2) The Supreme Court (Justices Appeals) Rules, comprising Statutory Rules 1969, No. 167, are repealed."

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 5 read -

Mr Manzie moved the following amendment -

Omit "notified" and insert in its stead "ratified".

Amendment agreed to.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause 6 read -
Mr Manzie moved the following amendment -

Omit from subclause (1) "1 June, 1987 and tabled" and insert in its stead "31 July 1987 and subsequently tabled".

Amendment agreed to.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses 7 to 10, by leave, taken together and agreed to.
Clause 11 read -
Mr Manzie moved the following amendment -

Omit from proposed section 9(2)(b) "Part III" and insert in its stead "Parts II and IV".

Amendment agreed to.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause 12 read -
Mr Manzie, by leave, moved the following amendments together -

Omit from proposed section 9A(4) "Part III" and insert in its stead "Parts II and IV".

Omit from proposed section 9A(5) "Part III" and insert in its stead "Parts II and IV".

Amendments agreed to.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses 13 to 19, by leave, taken together and agreed to.
New clause -
Mr Manzie moved - That the following new clause be inserted in the Bill -

NEW CLAUSE

"20. AMENDMENT OF *LIMITATION ACT*

"The *Limitation Act* is amended by inserting in Division 2 of Part IV, before section 49, the following:

'48A. ABROGATION OF RULE IN WELDON v NEAL

'(1) If a court would, but for the expiry of a relevant period of limitation after the day a proceeding in the court has commenced, allow a party to amend a document in the proceeding, the court shall allow the amendment to be made if it is satisfied that no other party to the proceeding would by reason of the amendment be prejudiced in the conduct of that party's claim or defence in a way that could not be met by an adjournment, an award of costs or otherwise.

'(2) This section does not apply to an amendment in a proceeding commenced before the commencement of this section.'."

Proposed new clause agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Title -

Mr Manzie, by leave, moved the following amendments together -

Omit "1 June, 1987" and insert in its stead "31 July 1987".

Insert after "interim period," the words "to amend the *Limitation Act*,".

Question - That the Title, as amended, be the title of the Bill - put and passed.

Bill to be reported with amendments and with amendments to the Title of the Bill.

The Speaker (Mr Vale) resumed the Chair and the Chairman (Mr Dondas) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

On the motion of the Attorney-General (Mr Manzie) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Paper tabled: The Member for Macdonnell (Mr Bell), by leave, laid on the table a map of the Northern Territory showing Northern Territory Mineral and Energy resources.

Debate resumed.

Question - put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned at 7.45 p.m. until tomorrow at 10.00 a.m.

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PAPERS:

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 22 September 1987:

Annual Reports:

Aboriginal Sacred Sites Protection Authority, 1986-87

Northern Territory Government and Public Authorities Employers'

Superannuation Trust Fund, 1985-86

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ATTENDANCE:

All Members attended the sitting.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 19

Wednesday 23 September 1987

1. MEETING:

The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker, the Honourable R.W.S. Vale, took the Chair.

2. PRAYERS.

3. NOTICES:

The following notices were given:

Mr Manzie: To present the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 65).

Mr Dale: To present the Parole of Prisoners Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 63); and the Criminal Law (Conditional Release of Offenders) Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 64).

4. QUESTIONS:

Questions were asked of Ministers.

5. ORDER OF BUSINESS:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That Government Business, Order of the Day No.1, relating to the Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Chamberlain Convictions, be called on forthwith.

Question - put and passed.

6. CHAMBERLAIN CONVICTIONS - COMMISSION OF INQUIRY - PAPER NOTED:

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of the Attorney-General (Mr Manzie) - That the Assembly take note of the paper.

Debate resumed.

Question - put and passed.

7. CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1987 (Serial 67):

The Attorney-General (Mr Manzie), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code.

Bill read a first time.

Suspension of Standing Orders: The Attorney-General (Mr Manzie) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Criminal Code Amendment Bill (No.2) 1987 (Serial 67) passing through all stages at these sittings.

Question - put and passed - there being an absolute majority of the whole number of Members present and no dissentient voice.

Mr Manzie moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper tabled: Mr Manzie laid on the Table a copy of "The Age" newspaper dated Wednesday 3 June 1987 containing the editorial and cartoons relating to the Chamberlain Inquiry.

On the motion of Mr Bell (Macdonnell) debate was adjourned.

8. AUSTRALIA CARD - MOTION AGREED TO:

The Chief Minister (Mr Hatton), by leave, moved -

- (1) That this Assembly unanimously condemns the Federal Government's decision to introduce the Australia Card in its current form believing that it is a gross infringement on the civil liberties of all Australians;

- (2) That it is this Assembly's view that the Northern Territory Government should refuse to co-operate in the implementation of this proposal; and
- (3) That the Terms of this Resolution be transmitted to the Prime Minister forthwith.

Debate ensued.

Suspension of sitting: The sitting was suspended between 12.02 p.m. and 2.00 p.m.

Debate resumed.

The Leader of the Opposition (Mr Smith) moved the following amendment -

Omit all words after "That" (first occurring) and insert in their stead -

(1) "this Assembly unanimously condemns the Northern Territory Government for systematically and comprehensively collecting, and storing on its computer network, personal and private information on Territory citizens without putting in place legislative protections regulating the use and access to the records; and

(2) That this Assembly further condemns the Northern Territory Government for denying Territory citizens the right to inspect and challenge the information contained in those records".

Debate ensued.

Question - That the amendment be agreed to - put and negatived.

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved the following further amendments together, by leave -

Omit from paragraph (1) the word "unanimously"; and

Insert in paragraph (1) after the words "its current form", the words "or in any similar form".

Amendments agreed to.

Motion, as amended, agreed to.

9. WOMEN IN REMOTE AREAS - PAPER TABLED - MOTION TO NOTE PAPER:

The Chief Minister (Mr Hatton) laid on the Table the report on Women Living in Remote Areas of the Northern Territory.

Mr Hatton moved - That the Assembly take note of the paper.

Debate ensued.

On the motion of Mr Firmin (Ludmilla) debate was adjourned.

10. EDUCATION - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:
The Minister for Education (Mr Manzie) made a statement relating to Education in the Northern Territory.
Mr Manzie moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.
Debate ensued.
On the motion of Mr Harris (Port Darwin) debate was adjourned.
11. WORK HEALTH AUTHORITY - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:
The Minister for Labour and Administrative Services (Mr McCarthy), made a statement relating to the first nine months' operation of the Northern Territory Work Health Authority.
Mr McCarthy moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.
On the motion of Mr Lanhupuy (Arnhem) debate was adjourned.
12. INDONESIAN VISIT - MINISTER STATEMENT - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:
The Chief Minister (Mr Hatton) made a statement relating to the visit by a Northern Territory delegation led by Mr Hatton to Indonesia from 2 September to 7 September 1987.
Mr Hatton moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.
On the motion of Mr Hanrahan (Flynn) debate was adjourned.
13. JURIES AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 61):
The Attorney-General (Mr Manzie), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Juries Act*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Manzie moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.
On the motion of Mr Bell (Macdonnell) debate was adjourned.
14. URANIUM MINING (ENVIRONMENT CONTROL) AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 66):
The Minister for Lands and Housing (Mr Hanrahan), on behalf and at the request of the Minister for Mines and Energy (Mr Coulter), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Uranium Mining (Environment Control) Act*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Hanrahan moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.
On the motion of Mr Edę (Stuart) debate was adjourned.
15. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - PASS BILL THROUGH ALL STAGES:
The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Legislative Assembly Members (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 1987 (Serial 62) passing through all stages at these sittings.
Question - put and passed - there being an absolute majority of the whole number of Members present and no dissentient voice.
16. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL 1987 (Serial 62):
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -
Debate resumed.
Question - put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Leave granted for a motion for the third reading of the Bill to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of the Chief Minister (Mr Hatton) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

17. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - PASS BILL THROUGH ALL STAGES:
The Attorney-General (Mr Manzie) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Legal Practitioners Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 59) passing through all stages at these sittings.
Question - put and passed - there being an absolute majority of the whole number of Members present and no dissentient voice.
18. LEGAL PRACTITIONERS AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 59):
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -
Debate resumed.
Question - put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Leave granted for a motion for the third reading of the Bill to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of the Attorney-General (Mr Manzie) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.
19. ORDER OF BUSINESS POSTPONED:
The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That Government Business, Order of the Day, No.4 relating to the Appropriation Bill 1987-88 (Serial 58), be postponed until the next sitting day.
Question - put and passed.
20. JURISDICTION OF COURTS (CROSS-VESTING) BILL 1987 (Serial 32):
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -
Debate resumed.
Question - put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
The Assembly, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee
(Chairman - Mr Dondas)

Clauses 1 to 4, by leave, taken together and agreed to.
Clause 5 read -
The Attorney-General (Mr Manzie) moved the following amendment -

Omit from subclause (4) "that other court" and insert in its stead "the Supreme Court".

Amendment agreed to.
Mr Manzie moved the following further amendment -

Omit from subclause (5) "the Supreme Court" and insert in its stead "that other court".

Amendment agreed to.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause 6 agreed to.
Clause 7 read -
Mr Manzie moved the following amendment -

Omit from subclause (4) "subsection (6)" and insert in its stead "subsection (5)".

Amendment agreed to.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause 8 read -
Mr Manzie moved the following amendment -

Insert in subclause (1)(a)(i), after "Court", the words ", of the State".

Amendment agreed to.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause 9 read -
Mr Manzie moved the following amendment -

Insert in paragraph (b), after "under", the words "this Act or".

Amendment agreed to.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Remainder of the Bill, by leave, taken as a whole and agreed to.
Bill to be reported with amendments.

The Acting Speaker (Mr Reed) resumed the Chair and the Chairman (Mr Dondas) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.
On the motion of the Attorney-General (Mr Manzie) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

21. ADJOURNMENT:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

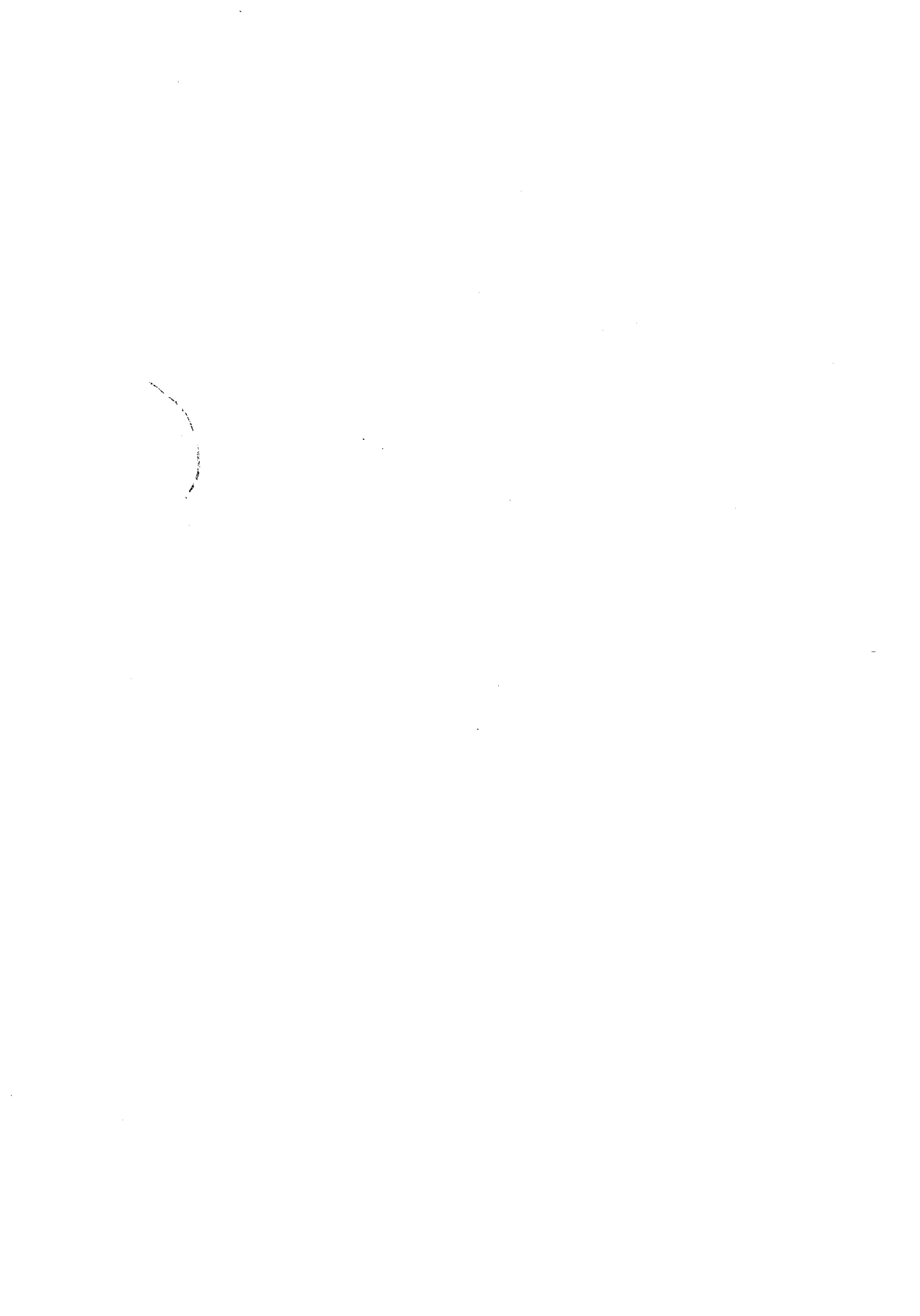
Question - put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned at 11.10 p.m. until tomorrow at 10.00 a.m.

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ATTENDANCE:

All Members attended the sitting.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 20

Thursday 24 September 1987

1. MEETING:

The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker, the Honourable R.W.S. Vale, took the Chair.

2. PRAYERS.

3. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That the Assembly at its rising adjourn until Tuesday 20 October 1987 at 10.00 a.m. or such other time and/or date as may be set by Mr Speaker pursuant to Sessional Order.

Question - put and passed.

4. PERSONAL EXPLANATION:

The Chief Minister (Mr Hatton), by leave, made a personal explanation relating to comments he made during debate on the Legislative Assembly Members (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 1987 (Serial 62) on the previous sitting day.

5. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Hanrahan) moved - That leave of absence be granted to the Treasurer (Mr Coulter) on account of Government business overseas.

Question - put and passed.

6. QUESTIONS:

Questions were asked of Ministers.

7. SELECT COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT - PAPERS TABLED - STATEMENT - ORDER TO PRINT:

The Chairman of the Select Committee on Constitutional Development (Mr Hatton) laid on the Table the following papers prepared by the Committee.

- Discussion Paper on a Proposed New State Constitution for the Northern Territory

- Information Paper No.1 Options for a Grant of Statehood.

Mr Hatton made a statement reporting the Committee's progress and activities to date.

Mr Hatton moved - That the papers be printed.

Question - put and passed.

8. UNIVERSITY COLLEGE - ANNUAL REPORT - PAPER TABLED - MOTION TO NOTE PAPER:

The Minister for Education (Mr Manzie) laid on the Table the Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 1986 of the University College of the Northern Territory.

Mr Manzie moved - That the Assembly take note of the paper.

On the motion of Mr Ede (Stuart) debate was adjourned.

9. STATEHOOD - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - PAPER TABLED - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:

The Chief Minister (Mr Hatton) made a statement relating to Statehood for the Northern Territory.

Paper tabled: Mr Hatton laid on the Table the report "Towards Statehood - National Parks Upon Statehood, Option Paper" dated September 1987.

Mr Hatton moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.
Debate ensued.

Suspension of sitting: The sitting was suspended between 11.57 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.

Debate resumed.

Personal explanation: The Chief Minister (Mr Hatton), by leave, made a personal explanation relating to comments attributed to him by the Member for Macdonnell (Mr Bell) during the course of the debate.

Debate continued.

On the motion of Mr Firmin (Ludmilla) debate was adjourned.

10. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE, ANNUAL REPORT - PAPER TABLED - ORDER TO PRINT - PAPER NOTED:

The Member for Karama (Mr Palmer) laid on the Table the Annual Report of the Public Accounts Committee for the year ended 30 June 1987.

Mr Palmer moved - That the report be printed.

Question - put and passed.

Mr Palmer moved - That the Assembly take note of the paper.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

11. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - TAKE TWO BILLS TOGETHER:

The Minister for Health and Community Services (Mr Dale) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent two Bills namely: the Parole of Prisoners Amendment Bill 1987 (Serial 63); and the Criminal Law (Conditional Release of Offenders) Bill 1987 (Serial 64) -

(a) being presented and read a first time together and one motion being put in regard to, respectively, the second readings, the Committee's report stage, and the third readings of the Bills together; and

(b) the consideration of the Bills separately in Committee of the Whole.

Question - put and passed - there being an absolute majority of the whole number of Members present and no dissentient voice.

12. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 65):

The Attorney-General (Mr Manzie), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Manzie moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Mr Bell (Macdonnell) debate was adjourned.

13. PAROLE OF PRISONERS AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 63); and CRIMINAL LAW (CONDITIONAL RELEASE OF OFFENDERS) AMENDMENT BILL 1987 (Serial 64):
The Minister for Health and Community Services (Mr Dale), pursuant to notice and resolution, presented Bills for Acts to amend the *Parole of Prisoners Act* and the *Criminal Law (Conditional Release of Offenders) Act*.
Bills read a first time.
Mr Dale moved - That the Bills be now read a second time.
On the motion of Mr Lanhupuy (Arnhem) debate was adjourned.
14. CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1987 (Serial 67):
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -
Debate resumed.
Question - put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Leave granted for a motion for the third reading of the Bill to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of the Attorney-General (Mr Manzie) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.
15. APPROPRIATION BILL 1987-88 (Serial 58):
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time -
Debate resumed.
Distinguished visitor: The Acting Speaker (Mr Setter) drew attention to the presence in the gallery of Mrs Carolyn Hirsh, M.P., a member of the Legislative Assembly, Victoria. On behalf of all Members Mr Setter extended a warm welcome to the distinguished visitor.
Debate continued.
On the motion of Mr Harris (Port Darwin) debate was adjourned.
16. ADJOURNMENT:
The Chief Minister (Mr Hatton) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question - put and passed.
The Assembly adjourned at 8.04 p.m. until Tuesday 20 October 1987 at 10.00 a.m. or such other time and/or date as may be set by Mr Speaker, pursuant to sessional order.

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PAPERS:

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 24 September 1987.

Annual Report:

Department of Transport and Works, 1986-87

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No.37 - Amendments to the Water Supply and Sewerage Regulations

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ATTENDANCE:

All Members attended the sitting except Mr Coulter (on leave).

H.G. SMITH

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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