

Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee

Associated Minutes of Proceedings

Inquiry into the Northern Territory Civil and Administrative Tribunal Amendment Bill 2018

August 2018



13th Assembly

Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 12

12.00 pm, Thursday, 10 May 2018 Litchfield Room

Present: Mr Tony Sievers Memb

Mr Tony Sievers, Member for Brennan (Chair),

Mr Jeff Collins, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)

Ms Selena Uibo, Member for Arnhem Mr Gary Higgins, Member for Daly Mr Gerry Wood, Member for Nelson

Secretariat:

Jennifer Buckley, Committee Secretary Elise Dyer, Senior Research Officer

Annie McCall, Administration/Research Officer

Russell Keith, First Clerk Assistant

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Ms Uibo moved and Mr Wood seconded that:

The Minutes of Meeting No. 11 of 27 April 2018 be confirmed.

Question put and passed.

2. CONSIDERATION OF BILLS REFERRED

The Committee agreed to call for submissions to be due by 6 June 2018 for the:

NT Civil and Administrative Tribunal Amendment Bill 2018 Gaming Control Amendment Bill 2018

The Committee requested the Secretariat to compile a list of stakeholders for each Bill, and agreed that Members are to provide any additional organisations and individuals they would like to invite submissions from by COB on Thursday 10 May.

3. NEXT MEETING

TBA (after submissions have closed).

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Meeting closed at: 2.23 pm.

Tony Sievers, MLA

Chair



13th Assembly

Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 13

1.00 pm, Thursday, 21 June 2018 Ormiston Room

Present:

Mr Tony Sievers, Member for Brennan (Chair),

Mr Jeff Collins, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)

Ms Selena Uibo. Member for Arnhem Mr Gary Higgins, Member for Daly Mr Gerry Wood, Member for Nelson

Secretariat:

Jennifer Buckley, Committee Secretary

Russell Keith, First Clerk Assistant

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING 1.

Mr Collins moved and Mr Higgins seconded that:

The Minutes of Meeting No. 12 of 10 May 2018 be confirmed.

Question put and passed.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee noted the correspondence.

NORTHERN TERRITORY CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL AMENDMENT BILL 3. Mr Collins moved and Mr Higgins seconded:

That the Committee authorise the publication of submissions received.

Question put and passed.

Ms Uibo moved and Mr Higgins seconded that:

The Committee provide questions on the Northern Territory Civil and Administrative Tribunal Bill to the Department of the Attorney-General and Justice, requesting that responses be provided in writing by 2 July 2018.

Question put and passed.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee requested the Secretariat to find out when the Government review of Scrutiny Committees will be undertaken.

NEXT MEETING 5.

Thursday 5 July 2018

Meeting closed at 1:28 pm

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Mr Tony Sievers, MLA Chair

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Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 14

9.00 am, Thursday, 5 July 2018 Litchfield Room

Present: Mr Tony Sievers, Member for Brennan (Chair),

Mr Jeff Collins, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)

Mr Gary Higgins, Member for Daly Mr Gerry Wood, Member for Nelson

Apologies: Mr Lawrence Costa, Member for Arafura

Secretariat: Jennifer Buckley, Committee Secretary

Russell Keith, First Clerk Assistant Elise Dyer, Senior Research Officer Annie McCall, Administrative Officer

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Mr Costa was an apology.

The Chair welcomed Mr Costa to the Committee and thanked Ms Uibo for her work on the Committee and congratulated her on her new role as Minister.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Mr Collins moved and Mr Higgins seconded that:

The Minutes of Meeting No. 13 of 21 June 2018 be confirmed.

Question put and passed.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee noted the correspondence.

4. NORTHERN TERRITORY CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL AMENDMENT BILL Mr Collins moved and Mr Wood seconded:

That the Committee authorise the publication of the response from the Department of Attorney-General and Justice.

Question put and passed.

The Committee agreed to write to the organisations that had made submissions asking them to comment on the Department's responses to the Committee's questions on the NTCAT Amendment Bill 2018, with responses due back by 12 July 2018.

5. GAMING CONTROL AMENDMENT BILL

The Committee noted the tabling of the Gaming Control Amendment Bill 2018

6. **OTHER BUSINESS**

7. **NEXT MEETING**

Friday 13 July 2018

Meeting closed at 9.33 am

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Mr Tony Sievers, MLA Chair



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Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 15

2.00 pm, Friday, 13 July 2018 Ormiston Room

Present: Mr Tony Sievers, Member for Brennan (Chair),

Mr Jeff Collins, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)

Mr Gary Higgins, Member for Daly Mr Gerry Wood, Member for Nelson Mr Lawrence Costa, Member for Arafura

Secretariat: Jennifer Buckley, Committee Secretary

Russell Keith, First Clerk Assistant Elise Dyer, Senior Research Officer

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Mr Collins moved and Mr Higgins seconded that:

The Minutes of Meeting No. 14 of 5 July 2018 be confirmed.

Question put and passed.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee noted the correspondence.

4. NORTHERN TERRITORY CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL AMENDMENT BILL

Mr Collins moved and Mr Costa seconded that:

The Committee authorises the publication of the written responses from the Law Society NT and the Darwin Community Legal Service.

Question put and passed.

The Committee considered the responses from the Department of Attorney-General and Justice, the Law Society NT and the Darwin Community Legal Service.

Mr Collins proposed to provide a re-draft of the proposed amendment 101A Default decisions for the Committee to consider.

The Committee agreed to include in the report recommendations that the proposed amendment on default decisions require applicants to submit an affidavit of service and an affidavit outlining evidence of the debt.

5. NEXT MEETING

1st week of August 2018 date TBA

Meeting closed at 2.58 pm

Mr Tony Sievers, MLA
Chair



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Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 16

1.00 pm, Thursday, 2 August 2018 Litchfield Room

Present: Mr Tony Sievers, Member for Brennan (Chair)

Mr Jeff Collins, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)

Mr Gary Higgins, Member for Daly Mr Lawrence Costa, Member for Arafura

Apologies: Mr Gerry Wood, Member for Nelson

Secretariat: Jennifer Buckley, Committee Secretary

Russell Keith, First Clerk Assistant Elise Dyer, Senior Research Officer

Annie Mcall, Administration Research/Officer

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Mr Collins moved and Mr Higgins seconded that:

The Minutes of Meeting No. 15 of 13 July 2018 be confirmed.

Question put and passed.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee noted the correspondence.

Regarding Item a) of the correspondence, the Chair noted that he had spoken to the Department of Attorney-General and Justice regarding their response to the Committee's queries on the NTCAT Amendment Bill 2018 and that, at this point, a letter is not required. However, the Committee agreed that if future responses from the Department are not adequate the Chair will write a formal letter of concern.

3. NORTHERN TERRITORY CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL AMENDMENT BILL

Mr Collins moved and Mr Costa seconded that:

The Committee adopt the report for the Inquiry into the Northern Territory Civil and Administrative Tribunal Amendment Bill 2018.

Question put and passed.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee Annual Report 2017-18

The secretariat will distribute the draft Annual Report to Members on Friday 3 August 2018, with comments to be returned to the Secretary by COB Thursday 9 August 2018.

5. **NEXT MEETING**

To be advised.

Meeting closed at 1.13 pm

Mr Tony Sievers, MLA Chair