



**NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**Meeting Number 4
Tuesday 25 October 2016**

1. MEETING

The Assembly met at 10.00. The Speaker, the Honourable Kezia Purick, presided.

2. PRAYERS

3. MOTION: SESSIONAL ORDER CONCERNING THE CONDUCT OF QUESTION TIME AGREED TO

Ms Fyles (Leader of Government Business), pursuant to notice moved a motion to establish a Sessional Order concerning the conduct of Question Time each Wednesday when the Assembly meets:

Notwithstanding anything in the Standing Orders, during the conduct of Question Time on each Wednesday when the Assembly meets, no Government Member will ask a Minister or a Committee Chair a question without notice, but no single Minister may be asked consecutive questions without an intervening question being asked of a different Member who is a Minister, Committee Chair, Speaker or other Member who is able to be asked a question without notice pursuant to Standing Orders.

Debate ensued.

Ms Fyles pursuant to Standing Order 90 moved an amendment to the motion as follows:

Delete the final full stop after the words "Standing Orders" and insert ' , however one Supplementary Question is permitted, in line with Standing Order 106, 4(b). '

Debate ensued.

Ms Finocchiaro moved an amendment to the motion as follows:

That all the words:

'but no single Minister may be asked consecutive questions without an intervening question being asked of a different Member who is a Minister, Committee Chair, Speaker or other Member who is able to be asked a question without notice pursuant to Standing Orders.'

Be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question, that the amendment moved by Mrs Finocchiaro be agreed to, put.

The Assembly divided:

Ayes 6

Mrs Finocchiaro
Mr Guyula
Mr Higgins
Mrs Lambley
Mr Mills
Mr Wood

Noes 18

Ms Ah Kit
Mr Collins
Mr Costa
Ms Fyles
Mr Gunner
Mr Kirby
Ms Lawler
Mr McCarthy
Mr McConnell
Ms Manison
Ms Moss
Ms Nelson
Mr Paech
Mr Sievers
Ms Uibo
Mr Vowles
Ms Wakefield
Mrs Worden

Motion not agreed to.

Question, that the amendment moved by Ms Fyles be agreed to, put and passed.

Question, that the Motion as amended be agreed to, put.

The Assembly divided:

Ayes 18

Ms Ah Kit
Mr Collins
Mr Costa
Ms Fyles
Mr Gunner
Mr Kirby
Ms Lawler
Mr McCarthy
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Mr Paech
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Noes 6

Mrs Finocchiaro
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Mr Higgins
Mrs Lambley
Mr Mills
Mr Wood

Motion, as amended, agreed to.

4. YOUTH JUSTICE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2016 (SERIAL 5)

Ms Wakefield (Territory Families), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Youth Justice Act* and *Youth Justice Regulations*.

Bill read a first time.

Ms Wakefield moved that the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Paper Tabled: Ms Wakefield tabled the Explanatory Statement (Paper 61).

On the motion of Mrs Finocchiaro debate was adjourned.

5. MOTION: ADDRESS IN REPLY AGREED TO

Resumption of debate on the question that the Address in Reply be agreed to.

Debate resumed.

Extension of Time: On the motion of Ms Uiibo, Mr Gunner was granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Question put and passed.

6. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY

The Speaker advised Members that she would present the Address in Reply to His Honour the Administrator on Tuesday 22 November 2016 at 11.00am and invited Members to accompany her to Government House.

7. PAPER TABLED: TREASURER'S ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT 2015-2016

Ms Manison (Treasurer) tabled the Treasurer's Annual Financial Report, 2015-2016 (Paper 62) and made a statement.

Leave granted to continue.

Suspension of Meeting: The meeting of the Assembly was suspended between 12.00 and 14.00.

8. NOTICES

The following notices were given:

1. Mr McCarthy (Minister for Public Employment) will present on the next meeting day a Bill entitled Public Holidays Amendment Bill 2016 (Serial 7).
2. Ms Fyles (Leader of Government Business) will move on the next meeting day that Sessional Orders be adopted in the same terms as Sessional Orders adopted by the 12th Assembly as follows:

Pairs

Right of Reply

Committee of Members' Interests

Prayers

When a Ministerial Statement may be made.

3. Mr Gunner (Chief Minister) will present on the next meeting day a Bill entitled Public Information Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2016 (Serial 6).
4. Ms Fyles (Minister for Health) will present on the next meeting day a Bill entitled Domestic and Family Violence (Recognition of Domestic Violence Orders) (National Uniform Law) Amendment Bill 2016 (Serial 3).

9. QUESTIONS

14:01 Mr Higgins to Chief Minister
14:05 Mr Sievers to Chief Minister
14:08 Mrs Finocchiaro to Treasurer
14:12 Mr Paech to Treasurer
14:16 Mr Wood to Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics
14:19 Mr McConnell to Minister for Health
14:22 Mrs Finocchiaro to Chief Minister
14:25 Mrs Lambley to Chief Minister
14:29 Mrs Worden to Minister for Education
14:33 Mr Higgins to Minister for Primary Industry and Resources

Visitors: The Speaker advised Honourable Members of the presence in the gallery of Wadeye youth leaders.

On behalf of all Members the Speaker extended a warm welcome to the visitors.

14:36 Ms Ah Kit to Minister for Territory Families
14:44 Mrs Lambley to Minister for Tourism and Culture
14:47 Ms Uibo to Minister for Housing and Community Development
14:50 Mrs Finocchiaro to Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services
14:54 Mrs Finocchiaro to Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services – Supplementary
14:54 Mr Costa to Minister for Environment and Natural Resources

Ms Fyles (Leader of Government Business) asked that further questions be placed on the Written Question Paper.

Ms Manison (Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics), pursuant to Standing Order 115, replied to a question from Mr Higgins.

10. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION STATEMENT NOTED

Ms Fyles (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice) made a statement regarding the establishment of an Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC).

Ms Fyles moved that the Assembly take note of the Statement.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Ms Fyles (Leader of Government Business) moved that the Assembly adjourn.

Paper Tabled: Mrs Worden tabled Travel Report, Travel to Sabah, Malaysia (Paper 74).

The Assembly adjourned at 17.38 until Wednesday 26 October at 10.00 am.

DEEMED PAPERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 239 the following papers were deemed to have been tabled:

Annual Report 2015-2016:

Commissioner for Information and Public Interest Disclosures, 2015-2016 (Paper 65)

Community Benefit Fund, 2015-2016 (Paper 63)
Community Justice Centre, 2015-2016 (Paper 64)
Department of Attorney-General and Justice, 2015-2016 (Paper 66)
Director-General of Licensing, 2015-2016 (Paper 67)
Electricity Safety Regulator, 2015-2016, *Electricity Reform Act* (Paper 69)
Jacana Energy, 2015-2016 (Paper 72)
Mental Health Review Tribunal, 2015-2016 (Paper 68)
PowerWater, 2015-2016 (Paper 71)
Territory Generation Powering the NT, 2015-2016 (Paper 73)
Workers Rehabilitation and Compensation Advisory Council, 2015-2016 (Paper 70)

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended the meeting.

MICHAEL TATHAM

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly