

**PART III**

**THE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

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OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 4

Tuesday 19 August 1986

1. The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to resolution. Mr Speaker (the Honourable R.W.S. Vale) took the Chair, and read prayers.
2. CONDOLENCE - THE HON. F.J.S. WISE, A.O.:  
Mr Hatton (Chief Minister), by leave, moved - That this Assembly expresses its regret at the death of the Honourable Frank Joseph Scott Wise, A.O., Administrator of the Northern Territory from 1 July 1951 to 30 June 1956 and former Premier of Western Australia; places on record its appreciation of his distinguished service to the people of the Northern Territory; and tenders its profound sympathy to his widow and family.  
Debate ensued.  
And Members present having stood in their places in silence -  
Question - put and passed.
3. IMPENDING RESIGNATION, LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION - STATEMENT - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:  
Mr B. Collins (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, made a statement relating to his impending resignation as Leader of the Opposition.  
Mr Hanrahan (Leader of Government Business) moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.  
Ordered - That Mr Hanrahan have leave to continue his remarks and the resumption of the debate be made an order of the day for a later hour.
4. SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE FROM COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION:  
Mr Speaker read the following message from Sir Robin Vanderfelt, Secretary-General of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and the Hon. David Tonkin, Secretary-General Designate, relating to the 75th anniversary of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, 18 July 1986:

CPA Headquarters Secretariat extends greetings and best wishes to Branch Officers and Members on this most significant 75th anniversary.

The following motion stands on the House of Commons Notice Paper at Westminster, supported by Members from all sides of the House:

That this House, noting that the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association was originally established as the Empire Parliamentary Association on 18 July 1911, congratulates the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association on its 75th anniversary, notes with satisfaction that it now has branches in 110 different parliaments and legislatures throughout the Commonwealth, reiterates its support for the aims of the Association of promoting parliamentary democracy and understanding among Commonwealth Parliamentarians, and expresses

its welcome to those representatives from throughout the Commonwealth who will be attending the 32nd Conference in London from 23 September to 2 October under the Chairmanship of Mr Speaker in his capacity as President of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.

By promoting parliamentary democracy and respect for its institutions and by providing a forum for the discussion of matters of common interest and concern between parliamentarians, the CPA has stimulated mutual understanding, fellowship and respect among them and has been of major importance in helping to maintain peace and stability within the Commonwealth and the world.

May these ties of friendship and cooperation be further strengthened in the years ahead.

Robin Vanderfelt  
Secretary-General  
and  
David Tonkin  
Secretary-General Designate

5. NOTICE:

The following notice was given:

Mr Manzie: To present the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 200).

6. QUESTIONS:

Questions were asked of Ministers.

7. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE:

Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that Mr Smith (Millner) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the Assembly for discussion, namely "the introduction of the Fringe Benefits Tax, its part in the overall reform of the Australian Tax system, and its impact on the Northern Territory."

**The proposed discussion having received the necessary support -**

Mr Smith addressed the Assembly.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

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**Suspension of sitting:** The sitting was suspended between 12.10 and 2.00 p.m.

8. OPPOSITION OFFICE HOLDERS - STATEMENT - STATEMENT NOTED:

Mr Smith (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, informed the Assembly that he had been elected Leader of the Opposition and Mr Ede, Deputy Leader of the Opposition. Mr Leo, member for Nhulunbuy remains the Opposition Whip.

Mr Hanrahan (Leader of Government Business) moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

9. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY - MOTION:

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Hatton - That the following Address be agreed to:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Honour for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to the Assembly.

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr Ede) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

10. ELECTRICITY COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 191):

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 resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

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In the Committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr Coulter the following amendment was moved -

Clause 2 -

Mr Coulter moved as an amendment -

Omit "is amended by omitting subsection (3)" and insert in its stead the following -

"is amended -

(a) by omitting from sub-section (1) 'Subject to subsection (3), the Commission' and substituting 'The Commission'; and

(b) by omitting subsection (3)".

Question - That all words proposed to be omitted, be omitted, agreed to.  
Mr Ede moved the following amendment to the amendment -

That the amendment moved by the Honourable Minister for Mines and Energy be amended by omitting all words after "is amended" in the words proposed to be inserted and inserting in their stead "by omitting '\$100 000' (wherever occurring) and substituting '\$250 000'".

Amendment to the amendment negatived, after debate.

Question - That the words proposed to be inserted by Mr Coulter's amendment, be inserted, agreed to.

Bill as amended, agreed to.

The Assembly resumed - the Chairman (Mr Finch) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

On the motion of Mr Coulter (Minister for Mines and Energy) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

11. NORTHERN TERRITORY TOURIST COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 202):  
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 resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

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**In the Committee**

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr Hanrahan the following amendment was made -  
Clause 6 -

Omit paragraph (a) and insert in its stead the following:

"(a) by omitting from subsection (1) 'and who is a public servant';  
and ".

Bill as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

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The Assembly resumed - the Chairman (Mr Finch) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

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

12. MOTOR ACCIDENTS (COMPENSATION) AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 194):  
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.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Hanrahan) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

13. ADJOURNMENT:  
Mr Hanrahan (Leader of Government Business) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question - put and passed.  
And then the Assembly at 6.12 p.m. adjourned until tomorrow at 10.00 a.m.

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**PAPERS:**

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 19 August 1986:

**Annual Reports:**

Darwin Institute of Technology, 1984-85  
Department of Youth, Sport, Recreation and Ethnic Affairs:  
Replacement pages for Annual Report, 1984-85  
Parole Board, 1985  
Publications Classification Board, 1985  
Road Safety Council of the Northern Territory, 1984-85

**Agreements and Determinations:**

Police Arbitral Tribunal Determination No.1 of 1982, Amendment  
5 August 1986  
Police Arbitral Tribunal Determination No.2 of 1982, Amendment  
5 August 1986

**Financial Administration and Audit Act:**

Direction by Administrator pursuant to s.13(1)(a), 19 May 1986  
Direction by Treasurer pursuant to s.13(1)(b), 12 May 1986

**Regulations 1986:**

No.18 - Amendments of the Port By-laws  
No.19 - Amendment of the Fish and Fisheries Regulations  
No.20 - Licensed Surveyors Repeal Regulations  
No.21 - Amendment of the Water Supply and Sewerage Regulations  
No.22 - Amendments of the By-laws of the Municipality of Darwin  
No.23 - Darwin (Parking) By-laws  
No.24 - Amendment of the Darwin City Council By-laws  
No.25 - Amendment of the Liquor Regulations  
No.26 - Darwin Institute of Technology (Library) By-laws  
No.27 - Amendment of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the Northern  
Territory of Australia  
No.28 - Real Property (Fees) Regulations

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**ATTENDANCE:**

All Members attended the sitting.

# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 5

Wednesday 20 August 1986

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1. The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable R.W.S. Vale) took the Chair, and read prayers.

2. QUESTIONS:

Questions were asked of Ministers.

3. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE:

Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that Mr Ede (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the Assembly for discussion, namely "the very high rate of unemployment amongst Aboriginal communities in the Northern Territory."

**The proposed discussion having received the necessary support -**

Mr Ede addressed the Assembly.

Discussion ensued.

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

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Discussion resumed.

Discussion concluded.

4. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 200):

Mr Manzie (Attorney-General), 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.

Debate adjourned (Mr Leo) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

5. REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL - RECOMMENDATION No.3 of 1986 - ELECTORATE SECRETARIES - PAPER TABLED - STATEMENT - PAPER NOTED:

Mr Hatton (Chief Minister) laid on the Table Remuneration Tribunal Recommendation No.3 of 1986 relating to terms and conditions of employment of electorate secretaries of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr Hatton made a statement relating thereto.

Mr Hatton, by leave, moved -

That the Assembly takes note of the Report of the Remuneration Tribunal 1986 Review - electorate secretaries but with the following reservations:

(a) it should be recognised that the duties of an electorate secretary can vary from limited "office type functions" to those of personal assistant to a Member in the discharge of his duties;

(b) because of this variation in duties, there needs to be a more flexible system of determining the salaries of electorate secretaries;

- (c) because the nature of the duties of electorate secretaries can require them to use their personal vehicles for official purposes, mileage allowances should be payable up to a maximum amount depending upon the demands imposed by the geographical and other characteristics of a particular electorate; and
- (d) because the employment is essentially of a contractual nature, it is not appropriate that certain allowances payable to permanent public servants should be paid.

Question - put and passed.

6. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY - MOTION:

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Hatton (Chief Minister) - That the following Address be agreed to:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Honour for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to the Assembly.

Debate resumed.

Question - put and passed.

7. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS-IN-REPLY:

Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that the Address-in-Reply would be presented to His Honour the Administrator at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday 21 August 1986, and invited Members to accompany him to Government House at that time.

8. SELECT COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE - CHANGES OF MEMBERSHIP - PAPER TABLED:

Mr Speaker informed Members that he had received a letter from the Leader of the Opposition requesting his discharge from further attendance on the Select Committee on Constitutional Development and the Public Accounts Committee.

Mr Smith (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, moved - That the Member for Millner, Mr Smith, be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Constitutional Development and the Public Accounts Committee and that in his place, the Member for Arafura, Mr B. Collins, be appointed a member of those Committees.

Question - put and passed.

9. MOTOR ACCIDENTS (COMPENSATION) AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 194):

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 resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.



**In the Committee**

Clauses 1 to 9, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 10 -

Mr Smith moved as an amendment -

Insert in proposed section 27(1A) after "outstanding" the words ", but not exceeding 90 days where the information is requested from a person other than the claimant".

Debate ensued.

Question - put and negatived.

Mr Smith moved the following further amendment -

Omit from proposed section 27(4A) "shall be extended" and insert in its stead "shall, except to the extent that the holding of a conference is delayed unreasonably by an act or neglect on the part of the General Manager or the Board, be extended".

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 an amendment.

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The Assembly resumed - the Chairman (Mr Finch) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

On the motion of Mr Hanrahan (Minister for Business, Technology and Communications) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

10. CREDIT UNIONS AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 187):

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 resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

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**In the Committee**

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole and agreed to.

New clause -

On the motion of Mr Coulter the following amendment was agreed to -

Insert in clause 6 before the heading "98A. MINISTER MAY IMPOSE CONDITIONS" the following:

"6A. NEW SECTION

The Principal Act is amended by inserting after section 98 the following:".

Bill, as amended, agreed to.  
Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The Assembly resumed - the Chairman (Mr Finch) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

On the motion of Mr Coulter (Treasurer) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

11. MOTOR VEHICLES AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1986 (Serial 192):

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 third reading to be moved forthwith.

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

12. CRIMINAL LAW (REGULATORY OFFENCES) BILL 1986 (Serial 190):

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 third reading to be moved forthwith.

Mr Manzie (Attorney-General) moved - That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

The Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

13. CORONERS AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 185):

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 resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

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**In the Committee**

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Clause 7 -

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

Omit from proposed section 7A(1)(b)(i) "remains;"  
and insert in its stead "remains; or"; and

Omit proposed section 7A(1)(b)(ii).

Debate ensued.

Amendments agreed to.

Bill as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The Assembly resumed - the Chairman (Mr Finch) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

Mr Manzie (Attorney-General) moved - That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

The Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

14. BIOLOGICAL CONTROL BILL 1986 (Serial 186):

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 resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

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**In the Committee**

Clauses 1 to 16, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 17 -

Mr Leo moved as an amendment -

Omit from subclause (1) "the Authority may" and insert in its stead "the Authority shall, subject to subsection (2)".

Debate ensued.

Question - put and negatived.

Clause, as printed, agreed to.

Remainder of the Bill, by leave, taken as a whole and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The Assembly resumed - the Chairman (Mr Finch) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

On the motion of Mr McCarthy (Minister for Primary Production) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

15. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr Hatton (Chief Minister) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 9.17 p.m. adjourned 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. 6

Thursday 21 August 1986

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1. The Assembly met at 10. a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable R.W.S. Vale) took the Chair, and read prayers.
2. **DISTINGUISHED VISITOR - HON. V. FERRY M.L.C. AND MRS FERRY:**  
Mr Speaker informed the Assembly of the presence in the Gallery of the Honourable Victor Ferry, a Member of the Legislative Council of Western Australia and Mrs Ferry. On behalf of all Members Mr Speaker extended a warm welcome to the distinguished visitors.
3. **URANIUM SALES TO FRANCE - PAPERS TABLED - MOTION:**  
Mr Coulter (Minister for Mines and Energy), by leave, moved - That
  - (a) the Members of the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly unanimously endorse the Federal Government's Budget decision to remove the ill-considered ban on export sales of Northern Territory uranium to France;
  - (b) Members of the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly unanimously urge the Federal Government to alter its restrictive policies preventing the expansion of the Northern Territory's uranium mining industry and the growth of the national and Territory economies; and
  - (c) the Terms of this resolution be transmitted to the Prime Minister forthwith.

**Papers Tabled:** Mr Coulter laid on the Table the following papers relating thereto -

- ° Mining and Restrictions on Land Use in Australia, A.M.I.C.
- ° The Mining Industry's Contribution to Australia's Economy, A.M.I.C.
- ° Mining - The Backbone of Australia, A.M.I.C.

Debate ensued.

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**Suspension of sitting:** The sitting was suspended between 11.15 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.

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Debate resumed.  
Question - put and passed.

4. **NOTICES:**  
The following notice was given:  
Mr Smith: To move - That on the next day of sitting this Assembly censures the Chief Minister because of his failure to exercise proper control over the investigation into the recent retrospective employment of Mr Keith Ward by the Northern Territory Public Service.

5. CENSURE OF THE CHIEF MINISTER - MOTION NEGATIVED:

Mr Hanrahan (Leader of Government Business), having informed the Assembly that the government, pursuant to Standing Order 95, accepted the notice of motion as a censure motion.

Mr Smith (Leader of the Opposition) thereupon moved - That this Assembly censures the Chief Minister because of his failure to exercise proper control over the investigation into the recent retrospective employment of Mr Keith Ward by the Northern Territory Public Service Commissioner.

Debate ensued.

**Extension of time:** Mr Ede (Stuart) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Smith from completing his speech.

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

Debate continued.

**Extension of time:** Mr Firmin (Ludmilla) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Hatton (Chief Minister) from completing his speech.

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

Debate continued.

Question - put and negatived.

6. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Mr Leo (Nhulunbuy) moved - That leave of absence for the remainder of this sitting be granted to the Member for Arafura on account of his wife's confinement.

Question - put and passed.

7. REDEVELOPMENT OF OLD POLICE HEADQUARTERS SITE, DARWIN - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - STATEMENT NOTED:

Mr Hanrahan (Minister for Business, Technology and Communications), by leave, made a statement relating to the redevelopment of the old Police Headquarters Site in Mitchell Street together with the inclusion of facilities for an interim Parliament House.

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

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

8. NEW PARLIAMENT HOUSE COMMITTEE - VARIATION OF TERMS OF REFERENCE - MOTION:

Mr Hanrahan (Minister for Business, Technology and Communications), by leave, moved - That the Terms of Reference of the New Parliament House Committee, appointed on Tuesday 17 June 1986, be varied:

(a) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following paragraph:

"(2A) The Committee act for and represent the Legislative Assembly in all matters concerned with the planning, design and construction of any interim accommodation proposed for the Legislative Assembly, its Committees, Members and officers and all matters incidental thereto";

(b) by inserting in paragraph (4) after the word "thereto", the words "or any matter relating to the planning, design and construction of interim accommodation proposed for the

Legislative Assembly, its Committees, Members and Officers";  
and

- (c) by omitting from paragraph (4)(a) the words "the Minister for Transport and Works" and inserting in their stead the words "the relevant Minister".

Question - put and passed.

9. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY - PRESENTATION:

Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that, accompanied by Honourable Members, he had this day waited upon His Honour the Administrator and presented to him the Address-in-Reply to the Speech His Honour delivered on the occasion of the opening of the Third Session of the Fourth Assembly, which was agreed to on 20 August 1986; and that His Honour had been pleased to make the following reply:

Mr Speaker, thank you for your Address-in-Reply which you have presented to me. It will afford me pleasure to convey to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen the Message of Loyalty of the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory of Australia to which the Address gives expression.

10. THERAPEUTIC GOODS AND COSMETICS BILL 1986 (Serial 197):

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 third reading to be moved forthwith.

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

11. FOOD BILL 1986 (Serial 198):

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 resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

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**In the Committee**

Clauses 1 to 12, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 13 -

On the motion of Mr Harris the following amendment was made -

Insert after subclause (2) the following:

"(2A) For the purposes of subsection (2), a person is deemed to have obtained the approval required if the food vending machine intended to be installed is of a brand, class or kind that the Chief Medical Officer has, by notice in the *Gazette*, declared that a person may instal without first obtaining the Chief Medical Officer's specific approval in writing."

Clause, as amended, agreed to.  
Clauses 14 to 56, by leave, taken together and agreed to.  
Clause 57 -  
On the motion of Mr Harris the following amendment was made -

Insert after subclause (4) the following:

"(5) The requirement in section 13(3) relating to the registration of certain food vending machines shall not apply to a person servicing, selling or permitting the sale of food by means of a food vending machine as at the commencement of this Act until the expiry of the period of 6 months after that commencement."

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

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The Assembly resumed - the Deputy Chairman (Mr Perron) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

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

12. TERRITORY PARKS AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 196):

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 third reading to be moved forthwith.

Mr McCarthy (Minister for Conservation) moved - That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

The Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr Coulter (Treasurer) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 8.07 p.m. adjourned until Tuesday 26 August 1986 at 10.00 a.m.

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PAPERS:

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 21 August 1986:

**Annual Report:**

Uranium Mining (Environment Control) Act (Seventh) 1985

**Regulations 1986:**

No.29 - Alice Springs (Parking) By-laws.

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**ATTENDANCE:**

All Members attended the sitting, except Mr B. Collins who had been granted leave of absence.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 7

Tuesday 26 August 1986

1. The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable R.W.S. Vale) took the Chair, and read prayers.

2. MESSAGES FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR:

Mr Speaker read the following messages from His Honour the Administrator:

**Message No. 9**

I, ERIC EUGENE JOHNSTON, the 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 provide superannuation benefits for persons employed by the Territory and by certain public authorities, to make provision for certain dependants of those persons and for related purposes.

Dated this 21st day of August, 1986

(Sgd) E.E. JOHNSTON  
Administrator

**Message No. 10**

I, ERIC EUGENE JOHNSTON, the 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 to amend the *Territory Insurance Office Act*.

Dated this 26th day of August, 1986

(Sgd) E.E. JOHNSTON  
Administrator

3. NOTICES:

The following notices were given:

Mr Hanrahan: To present the Territory Insurance Office Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 220).

Mr Hatton: To present the Northern Territory Land Corporation Bill 1986 (Serial 208), the Conservation Commission Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 210), the Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Amendment Bill (No.2) 1986 (Serial 211), the Territory Loans Management Corporation Bill 1986 (Serial 209) and the Agricultural Development and Marketing Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 212).

Mr Coulter: To present the Superannuation Bill (No.2) 1986 (Serial 215), the Racing, Gaming and Liquor Commission Bill 1986 (Serial 226), the Liquor Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 224), the Lotteries and Gaming Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 223), the Totalizator Administration and Betting Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 221) and the Racing and Betting Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 222).

4. PETITIONS - STATEMENT:

Mr McCarthy (Victoria River) presented a petition from 17 citizens of the Northern Territory relating to Batchelor becoming the focus of tourist development for Litchfield Conservation Park.

**Petition read.**

Mr McCarthy (Victoria River) presented a further petition from one citizen of the Northern Territory relating to the closure of the Police Station at Daly Waters.

Mr McCarthy, by leave, made a statement relating thereto.

**Petition read.**

5. QUESTIONS:

Questions were asked of Ministers.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR:

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

**Message No. 8**

I, ERIC EUGENE JOHNSTON, the Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia, pursuant to 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 1987.

Dated this 18th day of August, 1986

(Sgd) E.E. JOHNSTON  
Administrator

7. APPROPRIATION BILL 1986-87 (Serial 218) - BUDGET SPEECH:

Mr Coulter (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to appropriate certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the year ending 30 June 1987, the subject of His Honour the Administrator's Message No.8.

Bill read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Smith) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

8. YOUTH NEEDS IN PALMERSTON, REPORT MARCH 1986 - PAPER TABLED - MOTION TO NOTE PAPER:

Mr Dale (Minister for Community Development) tabled a paper entitled "Youth Needs in Palmerston, March 1986".

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Ede) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

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**Suspension of sitting:** The sitting was suspended between 11.46 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.

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9. WORK HEALTH BILL 1986 (Serial 203):

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.

Debate adjourned (Mr D.W. Collins) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Debate ensued.

**Distinguished visitor:** Mr Speaker informed the Assembly of the presence in the Gallery of the Hon. Jeff Kennett, MLA, Leader of the Opposition in the Victorian Legislative Assembly. On behalf of all Members Mr Speaker extended a warm welcome to the distinguished visitor.

Debate continued.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 4.11 p.m. adjourned until tomorrow at 10.00 a.m.

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PAPERS:

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 26 August 1986:

**Annual Reports:**

Agricultural Development and Marketing Authority, 1984-85

Araluen Arts and Cultural Trust, 1984-85

Education Advisory Council, 1985

**Recommendations under S.103 of Crown Lands Act:**

Revocation of Reserve No. 1710 - Town of Nightcliff

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ATTENDANCE:

All members attended the sitting.

# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 8

Wednesday 27 August 1986

1. The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable R.W.S. Vale) took the Chair, and read prayers.

2. TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE PAYMENTS TO FORMER CHIEF MINISTER - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - PAPERS TABLED - STATEMENT NOTED:

Mr Manzie (Attorney-General) made a statement relating to alleged improper travelling allowance payments to the former Chief Minister.

**Papers tabled:** Mr Manzie, by leave, tabled the following papers:

- ° Statement by Attorney-General, 27 August 1986 - Police investigation of allegations against Mr I.L. Tuxworth concerning travelling allowance
- ° Report, Commissioner of Police to Attorney-General, 16 July 1986 - Investigation of allegations against former Chief Minister concerning travelling allowance
- ° Memorandum, Acting Regional Chief Superintendent, Northern Command to Commissioner of Police, 16 July 1986 - Complaint by the Rev. J. Gallagher against Mr I.L. Tuxworth

Mr Tuxworth (Barkly) moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

3. NOTICES:

The following notices were given:

Mr Dale: To present the National Trust (Northern Territory) Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 217).

Mr Manzie: To present the Statute Law Revision Bill 1986 (Serial 216) and the Futures Industry (Application of Laws) Bill 1986 (Serial 219).

Mr Dondas: To present the Water Supply and Sewerage Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 213) and the Housing Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 214).

Mr Coulter: To present the Taxation (Administration) Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 206), the Pay-roll Tax Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 207) and the Coal Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 225).

Mr Bell: To move - That this Assembly will -

- (1) do all in its power to further the aims of the International Year of Peace;
- (2) work wherever possible for balanced nuclear disarmament; and
- (3) critically assess the role of the Territory and Federal Governments in any programmes or activities which might work against such objectives.

Mr Harris: To present the Silicosis and Tuberculosis (Mine-Workers and Prospectors) Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 227).

4. QUESTIONS:

Questions were asked of Ministers.

5. SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION AND TABLED PAPERS COMMITTEE - ELEVENTH REPORT - PAPER TABLED:

Mr Finch (Wagaman) laid on the Table the Eleventh Report of the Subordinate Legislation and Tabled Papers Committee.

6. IMPARJA REMOTE COMMERCIAL TELEVISION LICENCE - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - PAPER TABLED - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:

Mr Hanrahan (Minister for Business, Technology and Communications) made a statement relating to the granting of a remote commercial television licence to Imparja.

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

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

**Paper tabled:** Mr Ede, by leave, laid on the Table the following paper -

° Budget statement - Appendix B to RCTS licence application by CAAMA on behalf of Imparja.

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr D.W. Collins) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

7. TERRITORY INSURANCE OFFICE AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 220):

Mr Hanrahan (Minister for Business, Technology and Communications), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Territory Insurance Office Act* the subject of His Honour the Administrator's Message No.10.

Bill read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Smith) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

8. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - TAKE FIVE BILLS TOGETHER:

Mr Hatton (Chief Minister) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent five Bills, namely: the Northern Territory Land Corporation Bill 1986 (Serial 208), the Conservation Commission Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 210), the Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Amendment Bill (No.2) 1986 (Serial 211), the Territory Loans Management Corporation Bill 1986 (Serial 209) and the Agricultural Development and Marketing Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 212) -

(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.

9. LAND CORPORATION BILLS - NORTHERN TERRITORY LAND CORPORATION BILL 1986 (Serial 208); CONSERVATION COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 210); TERRITORY PARKS AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1986 (Serial 211); TERRITORY LOANS MANAGEMENT CORPORATION BILL 1986 (Serial 209); and AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND MARKETING AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 212):

Mr Hatton (Chief Minister), pursuant to notice and resolution, presented Bills for Acts to establish a Land Corporation to hold certain land in the Northern Territory, and for related purposes; to amend the *Conservation Commission Act*; to amend the *Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act*; to repeal the *Territory Development Act* and provide for the continuation of the Territory Development Corporation as a corporate entity for the purposes of administering existing loans and loan management arrangements, and for related purposes; and to amend the *Agricultural Development and Marketing Act*.

Bills read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Smith) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

10. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Mr Leo (NhuLunbuy), moved - That Mr Lanhupuy (Arnhem) be granted leave of absence for this sitting day.

11. DISCHARGE OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS:

On the motion, Mr Coulter (Treasurer), by leave, Government Business, Order of the Day No.1, Superannuation Bill 1986 (Serial 195) was discharged from the Notice Paper.

12. SUPERANNUATION BILL 1986 (Serial 215):

Mr Coulter (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide superannuation benefits for persons employed by the Territory and by certain public authorities, to make provision for certain dependants of those persons, and for related purposes, the subject of His Honour the Administrator's Message No.9.

Bill read a first time.

**Suspension of Standing Orders:** Mr Coulter (Treasurer) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Superannuation Bill (No.2) 1986 (Serial 215) passing through all stages at this sittings.

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

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

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed - Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Coulter (Treasurer) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

13. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - TAKE FIVE BILLS TOGETHER:

Mr Coulter (Treasurer) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent five Bills relating to racing and betting, namely - Racing, Gaming and Liquor Commission Bill 1986 (Serial 226), the

Liquor Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 224), the Lotteries and Gaming Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 223), the Totalizator Administration and Betting Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 221) and the Racing and Betting Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 222) -

(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.

14. RACING AND BETTING BILLS - RACING, GAMING AND LIQUOR COMMISSION BILL 1986 (Serial 226); LIQUOR AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 224); LOTTERIES AND GAMING AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 223); TOTALIZATOR ADMINISTRATION AND BETTING AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 221) and RACING AND BETTING AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 222):

Mr Coulter (Treasurer), pursuant to notice and resolution, presented Bills for Acts to establish the Racing, Gaming and Liquor Commission and for related purposes; to amend the *Liquor Act*; to amend the *Lotteries and Gaming Act*; to amend the *Totalizator Administration and Betting Act* and to amend the *Racing and Betting Amendment Act*.

Bills read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Leo) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

15. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 7.03 p.m. adjourned until tomorrow at 10.00 a.m.

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PAPERS:

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 27 August 1986:

**Annual Report:**

Department of Transport and Works, 1985-86

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ATTENDANCE:

All Members attended the sitting, except Mr Lanhupuy who had been granted leave of absence.

# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 9

Thursday 28 August 1986

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1. The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable R.W.S. Vale) took the Chair, and read prayers.

2. STATEHOOD - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - PAPERS TABLED - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:

Mr Hatton (Chief Minister) made a statement relating to the achievement of statehood for the Northern Territory with full constitutional, political and democratic rights for citizens.

**Papers tabled:** Mr Hatton, by leave, laid on the Table the following papers relating thereto -

- Northern Territory Constitutional Disadvantages
- Constitutional Equality with the States
- Land Matters upon Statehood
- Financial Implications of Statehood

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

Debate ensued.

Debate adjourned (Mr Hanrahan) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

3. PETITIONS:

Mr Smith, by leave, presented a petition from 249 citizens of Darwin relating to bus fares for pensioners.

**Petition read.**

Mr Tuxworth, by leave, presented a petition from citizens of Tennant Creek and the electorate of Barkly relating to the Commonwealth Government decision to withdraw funding to upgrade Tennant Creek Airport and the proposal to cease operation of the F28 airline service.

**Petition read.**

4. NOTICE:

The following notice was given:

Mr B. Collins: To move - That, in view of the raising of a matter of litigation between two members of this Assembly on Wednesday 27 August 1986, by the Honourable Member for Barkly who is the plaintiff in the action and the statements made by the Honourable Member on the issues of the case and its potential outcome, there be referred to the Standing Orders Committee the following matter:

the question of the appropriateness or otherwise of raising matters which are *sub judice* in debate in the Legislative Assembly.

5. ALTERATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Mr Hanrahan (Leader of Government Business) moved - That Government Business Order of the Day No.1, Appropriation Bill 1986-87 (Serial 218), be called on forthwith.

Question - put and passed.



6. APPROPRIATION BILL 1986-87 (Serial 218):

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.

Debate adjourned (Mr Leo) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

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**Suspension of sitting:** The sitting was suspended between 11.53 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.

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7. QUESTIONS:

Questions were asked of Ministers.

And Mr B. Collins interjecting -

**Statement by Speaker:** Mr Speaker made a statement relating to giving the call to Mr B. Collins.

Mr B. Collins thereupon moved dissent from the statement of the Speaker.

**Ruling of Speaker:** The Speaker ruled that there could be no dissent from his statement.

**Suspension of Standing Orders - negatived:** Mr B. Collins (Arafura) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent him moving a motion of want of confidence in the Speaker.

Question - put.

The Assembly divided (the Speaker, Hon. R.W.S. Vale, in the Chair) -

AYES,6

Mr Bell  
Mr B. Collins  
Mr Ede  
Mr Lanhupuy  
Mr Leo  
Mr Smith

NOES,19

Mr D.W. Collins  
Mr Coulter  
Mr Dale  
Mr Dondas  
Mr Finch  
Mr Firmin  
Mr Hanrahan  
Mr Harris  
Mr Hatton  
Mr Manzie  
Mr McCarthy  
Mrs Padgham-Purich  
Mr Palmer  
Mr Perron  
Mr Poole  
Mr Setter  
Mr Steele  
Mr Tuxworth  
Mr Vale

And so it was resolved in the negative.

Questions continued.

8. PERSONAL EXPLANATION:

Mr Smith (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, made a personal explanation relating to a reply in answer to a question made by Mr Hatton earlier this day.

9. PERSONAL EXPLANATION:  
Mr B. Collins (Arafura), by leave, made a personal explanation relating to the statement made by the Speaker concerning himself earlier this day.
10. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:  
Mr Hanrahan (Leader of Government Business) moved - That the Assembly at its rising adjourn until Tuesday 30 September 1986 at 10.00 a.m. or such other time and date as may be set by Mr Speaker, pursuant to sessional order.
11. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE:  
Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that Mr B. Collins (Arafura) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the Assembly for discussion, namely: "the failure of this government to provide adequate information to the Assembly regarding the actual and contingent liabilities in relation to hotels and other developments and the serious impact of these liabilities on the current and future budgets".  
**The proposed discussion having received the necessary support -**  
Mr B. Collins addressed the Assembly.  
Discussion ensued.  
Discussion concluded.
12. CONTINGENT AND ACTUAL LIABILITIES OF GOVERNMENT - REFERENCE TO PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE:  
Mr B. Collins (Arafura), by leave, moved - That the following matter be referred to the Public Accounts Committee:  
  
The actual and contingent liabilities of the Northern Territory Government, and in particular:  
  
(a) the Yulara development;  
(b) the Alice Springs and Darwin Sheraton Hotels;  
(c) the Alice Springs and Darwin casinos; and  
(d) the proposed development on Myilly Point, on and adjacent to the site of the old Darwin Hospital.
- Mr Hatton (Chief Minister) moved the following amendment - at the end of the motion add:  
  
"2. In considering this reference the Public Accounts Committee shall not consider the appropriateness or otherwise of Government decisions or policies."
- Debate ensued.  
Question - that the words proposed to be added, be added - put and passed.  
Question - that the motion as amended be agreed to - put and passed.
13. TERRITORY INSURANCE OFFICE ANNUAL REPORT, 1985-86 - PAPER TABLED - MOTION TO NOTE PAPER:  
Mr Hanrahan (Minister for Business, Technology and Communications), by leave, laid on the Table the Seventh Annual Report of the Territory Insurance Office for the year ended 30 June 1986.  
Mr Hanrahan moved - That the Assembly take note of the paper.

Debate adjourned (Mr Smith) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

14. GRANTS COMMISSION REVIEW OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PAID TO THE NORTHERN TERRITORY IN 1983-84 and 1984-85 - PAPER TABLED:  
Mr Coulter (Treasurer), by leave, laid on the Table a paper concerning the review of financial assistance paid to the Northern Territory in 1983-84 and 1984-85.
15. PERSONAL EXPLANATION:  
Mr Coulter (Treasurer), by leave, made a personal explanation relating to a statement he had attributed to the Member for Arafura during discussion of the Matter of Public Importance earlier this day.
16. NATIONAL TRUST (NORTHERN TERRITORY) AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 217):  
Mr Dale (Minister for Community Development), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *National Trust (Northern Territory) Act*.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr Dale moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Leo) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.
17. STATUTE LAW REVISION BILL 1986 (Serial 216):  
Mr Manzie (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 Manzie moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Leo) and the resumption of debate made an order of the day for a later hour.
18. FUTURES INDUSTRY (APPLICATION OF LAWS) BILL 1986 (Serial 219):  
Mr Manzie (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the futures industry in the Northern Territory of Australia.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr Manzie moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Leo) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.
19. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - TAKE TWO BILLS TOGETHER:  
Mr Dondas (Minister for Transport and Works) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent two Bills, namely: the Water Supply and Sewerage Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 213) and the Housing Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 214) -
  - (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.

20. WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 213), HOUSING AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 214):

Mr Dondas (Minister for Lands), pursuant to notice and resolution, presented Bills for Acts to amend the *Water Supply and Sewerage Act* and the *Housing Act*.

Bills read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Bell) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

21. TAXATION (ADMINISTRATION) AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 206):

Mr Coulter (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Taxation (Administration) Act*.

Bill read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Leo) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

22. PAY-ROLL TAX AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 207):

Mr Coulter (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Pay-roll Tax Act*.

Bill read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Leo) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

23. COAL AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 225):

Mr Coulter (Minister for Mines and Energy), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Coal Act*.

Bill read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Leo) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

24. SILICOSIS AND TUBERCULOSIS (MINE-WORKERS AND PROSPECTORS) AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 227):

Mr Harris (Minister for Health), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for and Act to amend the *Silicosis and Tuberculosis (Mine-Workers and Prospectors) Act*.

Bill read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Lanhupuy) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

25. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - PASS FIVE BILLS THROUGH ALL STAGES:

Mr Coulter (Treasurer) moved - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Racing, Gaming and Liquor Commission Bill 1986 (Serial 226), the Liquor Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 224), the Lotteries and Gaming Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 223), the Totalizator Administration and Betting Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 221) and the Racing and Betting Amendment Bill 1986 (Serial 222) passing through all stages at this sitting.

Debate ensued.

Question - put.

The Assembly divided (the Speaker, Hon. R.W.S. Vale, in the Chair) -

Ayes,18	Noes,5
Mr D.W. Collins	Mr Bell
Mr Coulter	Mr Ede
Mr Dale	Mr Lanhupuy
Mr Dondas	Mr Leo
Mr Finch	Mr Smith
Mr Firmin	
Mr Hanrahan	
Mr Harris	
Mr McCarthy	
Mr Manzie	
Mrs Padgham-Purich	
Mr Palmer	
Mr Perron	
Mr Poole	
Mr Setter	
Mr Steele	
Mr Tuxworth	
Mr Vale	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

26. RACING, GAMING AND LIQUOR COMMISSION BILL 1986 (Serial 226), LIQUOR AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 224), LOTTERIES AND GAMING AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 223), TOTALIZATOR ADMINISTRATION AND BETTING AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 221) and RACING AND BETTING AMENDMENT BILL 1986 (Serial 222):  
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That the Bills be now read a second time -  
Debate resumed.  
Question - put and passed - Bills read a second time.  
Leave granted for third readings to be moved forthwith.  
On the motion of Mr Coulter (Treasurer) the Bills were read a third time and passed to be proposed laws.
27. LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION - RESIGNATION OF MR B. COLLINS - STATEMENT - STATEMENT NOTED:  
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Hanrahan - That the Assembly take note of the statement -  
Debate resumed.  
Question - put and passed.
28. ADJOURNMENT:  
Mr Hanrahan (Leader of Government Business) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question - put and passed.  
And then the Assembly at 8.24 p.m. adjourned until Tuesday 30 September 1986 at 10.00 a.m. or such other time and date as may be set by Mr Speaker, pursuant to sessional order.

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PAPER:

The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 28 August 1986:

**Regulations 1986:**

No.31 - Supreme Court (Companies) Rules

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ATTENDANCE:

All Members attended the sitting.

H.G. SMITH

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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