

PART III

THE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

***Minutes of Proceedings***  
OF THE  
**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

No. 6

Tuesday 5 June 1984

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1. The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to resolution. Mr Speaker (the Honourable R.M. Steele) took the Chair, and read prayers.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR:  
Mr Speaker read the following message from His Honour the Administrator:  
*Message No.1*  
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 make interim provision for the appropriation of moneys out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the year ending 30 June 1985.  
  
Dated this twenty-ninth day of May, 1984.  
  
(Sgd) E.E. JOHNSTON  
Administrator
3. LETTER FROM OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR - ADDRESS IN REPLY - PAPER TABLED:  
Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that he had received the following letter from the Office of the Administrator, which was laid on the Table -  
  
Mr H.G. Smith  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly  
GPO Box 3721  
Darwin NT 5794  
  
Dear Mr Smith  
  
I should be pleased if you would convey to Mr Speaker the following text of a letter, dated 26 March 1984, received from the Official Secretary to the Governor-General:  
  
"I write to acknowledge your letter of 8 March 1984 and to advise that the expression of Loyalty from the Members of the Legislative Assembly at the Opening of the First Session of the Fourth Assembly has been forwarded to London for Her Majesty The Queen's pleasure."  
  
Yours sincerely  
  
(Sgd) MICHAEL W. BARRETT  
Official Secretary  
6 April 1984
4. BROADCASTING OF PROCEEDINGS - STATEMENT:  
Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that, despite all efforts during the last week, through a technical fault the normal broadcasting of proceedings to the rooms and to the press gallery would not be possible today, and that it was hoped to have the fault rectified before tomorrow's sitting.

This technical difficulty would not interfere with the broadcasting of question time by 8 TOP FM Radio.

Arrangements had been made for members of the press to be accommodated in the Strangers Gallery.

5. NOTICES:

The following notices were given:

Mr Everingham: To present the Printers and Newspapers Bill 1984 (Serial 33).

Mr Leo: To move, on the next General Business day -

1. That a Standing Committee to be known as the Standing Committee on Expenditure be appointed to -
  - (a) consider any papers on public expenditure presented to the Legislative Assembly and such of the estimates as it sees fit to examine;
  - (b) consider estimates and figures of expenditure and make recommendations concerning ways in which programmes may be carried out more efficiently;
  - (c) examine the relationship between the costs and benefits of implementing government programmes; and
  - (d) inquire into and report on any question in connection with public expenditure which is referred to it by the Legislative Assembly.
2. That the committee consist of five members, three nominated by the Chief Minister and two nominated by the Leader of the Opposition.
3. That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the Speaker.
4. That the members of the committee hold office for the remainder of the term of the Legislative Assembly.
5. That three members of the committee constitute a quorum.
6. That the committee elect one of its members as Chairman and one as Deputy Chairman, who shall perform the Chairman's duties when the Chairman is absent. In the absence of both the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman the members of the committee present shall elect another member to perform the duties at that meeting.
7. That the committee have power to appoint sub-committees consisting of three or more of its members, and to refer to any such sub-committee any matter which the committee is empowered to examine.
8. That the committee appoint the Chairman of each sub-committee who shall have a casting vote only and at any time when the Chairman of a sub-committee is not present at a meeting of the sub-committee the members of the sub-committee shall appoint one of the members present to perform the duties of the Chairman at that meeting.
9. That a majority of the members of the sub-committee constitute a quorum of that sub-committee.
10. That members of the committee who are not members of a sub-committee may take part in the public proceedings of that sub-committee but shall not vote or move any motion or constitute a quorum.
11. That the committee and sub-committees have power to move from place to place, to meet and transact business in public or private session, to adjourn from time to time, to sit during any recess, and to send for persons, papers and records.

12. That the committee be empowered to publish from day to day such papers and evidence from the committee or any sub-committee as may be ordered by it, and a daily *Hansard* be published of such proceedings as take place in public.
13. That the committee be provided with all necessary staff, facilities and resources.
14. That the committee, in selecting particular matters for investigation, take account of the investigations of other committees of the Assembly and avoid duplication.
15. That the committee have leave to report from time to time and that any member of the committee have power to add a protest or dissent to any report.
16. That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.

6. BROADCASTING OF PROCEEDINGS - OFFICE OF LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION:

Mr B. Collins (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, moved - That the resolution of the Assembly relating to the broadcasting of its proceedings passed on 7 March 1979, amended on 31 May 1979, 19 August 1981 and 17 March 1983, be further amended by the insertion of this additional resolution: "That this Assembly also authorizes the broadcasting of its proceedings to the electorate office in Darwin of the Leader of the Opposition."

Question - put and passed.

7. FURTHER NOTICES:

The following further notices were given:

Mr Robertson: To present the Evidence (Business Records) Interim Arrangements Bill 1984 (Serial 41), the Wills Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 35), the Credit Unions Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 34), the Companies Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 32), the Criminal Code Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 37), the Sexual Offences (Evidence and Procedure) Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 39), and the Justices Amendment Bill (No.2) 1984 (Serial 38).

8. QUESTIONS:

Questions without notice were asked.

9. ABORIGINAL LAND RIGHTS - TOOHEY REPORT - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Everingham (1 March 1984) - That the Assembly take note of the statement -

Debate resumed.

*Extension of time:* On the motion of Mr Leo, an extension of time was granted to Mr B. Collins.

*Paper tabled:* Mr Tuxworth laid on the Table a report entitled "Delays to Mineral Exploration resulting from the Aboriginal Land Rights Act".

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*Suspension of sitting:* The sitting was suspended between 11.59 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.

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Debate resumed.

*Extension of time:* On the motion of Mr D.W. Collins, an extension of time was granted to Mr Tuxworth.

*Leave not granted:* Mr Leo asked leave to move a motion.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

*Personal explanation:* Mr Bell (Macdonnell) made a personal explanation relating to remarks attributed to him earlier in this debate.

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 Robertson (Minister for Transport and Works) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 5.42 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 5 June 1984:

*Agreements and Determinations:*

Prisons Arbitral Tribunal - Amendment of Determination No.3 - 3 May 1984

*Annual Report:*

Agricultural Development and Marketing Authority, 1982-3

*Compulsory Acquisition of Land:*

Part Lot 5784 Town of Alice Springs - Desert Springs Country Club Estate Pty Ltd

*Direction of Treasurer:*

Direction, 1 June 1984

*Permit to Prospect for Petroleum:*

No.238, Sydney Oil Company (Pedirka) Pty Ltd and Others, 15 May 1984

*Regulations 1984:*

No.12 Amendments of the Port By-laws

No.13 Instruments Regulations

No.14 Records of Depositions Regulations

No.15 Community Welfare Regulations

No.16 Juvenile Justice Regulations

No.17 Amendments of the Fish and Fisheries Regulations

No.18 Amendments of the Fish and Fisheries Regulations

No.19 Casino Licence and Control Regulations

No.20 Amendment of the Architects Regulations

No.21 Palmerston (Litter) By-laws

No.22 Jabiru Town Development (Council Election) By-laws

No.23 Amendment of the Justices Regulations

No.24 Food and Drugs Regulations

No.25 Amendments of the Local Government Regulations

No.26 Local Government (Accounting) Regulations

No.27 Northern Territory Building Code

No.28 Amendments of the Marine (Survey) Regulations

No.29 Amendments of the Greyhound Racing Rules

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ATTENDANCE:

All members attended the sitting.

Wednesday 6 June 1984

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1. The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable R.M. Steele) took the Chair, and read prayers.
2. NOTICES:  
The following notices were given:  
Mr Everingham: To present the Aboriginal Community Living Areas Bill 1984 (Serial 30), the Northern Territory Development Land Corporation (Vesting of Land) Bill 1984 (Serial 40), and the Fences Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 52).  
Mr Dondas: To present the Liquor Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 25).  
Mr Perron: To present the Casino Licensing and Control Bill 1984 (Serial 53), the Casino Licence and Control Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 54), and the Casino Development Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 55).  
Mr Tuxworth: To present the Oil Refinery Agreement Ratification Bill 1984 (Serial 44).
3. QUESTIONS:  
Questions without notice were asked.
4. PERSONAL EXPLANATION:  
Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), by leave, made a personal explanation relating to his answer to a question on 7 March 1984 referred to in a question without notice asked by the member for Macdonnell (Mr Bell) on 5 June 1984.
5. RACING INDUSTRY - REPORT OF WORKING PARTY - PAPER TABLED - STATEMENT - MOTION TO NOTE PAPER:  
Mr Perron (Treasurer) laid on the Table the Racing Industry Working Party Report, April 1984.  
Mr Perron, by leave, made a statement relating to the paper.  
Mr Perron moved - That the Assembly take note of the paper.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Leo) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.
6. UNEMPLOYMENT - LABOUR FORCE SURVEY FIGURES - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - MOTION STATEMENT NOTED:  
Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), by leave, made a statement relating to labour force survey figures concerning unemployment.  
Mr Everingham, by leave, moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.  
Debate ensued.

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*Suspension of sitting:* The sitting was suspended between 12.00 noon and 2.00 p.m.

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Debate resumed.  
Question - put and passed.

7. COMMONWEALTH FUNDING FOR OUTSTATION ASSISTANT TEACHERS - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:

Mr Harris (Minister for Education), by leave, made a statement relating to Commonwealth funding for outstation assistant teachers.

Mr Harris, by leave, moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.

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

8. SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION AND TABLED PAPERS COMMITTEE - THIRD REPORT - PAPER TABLED - PAPER NOTED:

Mr Hatton (Nightcliff), laid on the Table the third report of the Subordinate Legislation and Tabled Papers Committee.

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

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

9. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS BILL 1984 (Serial 33):

Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to printers and newspapers.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

10. SUPPLY BILL 1984-85 (Serial 43):

Mr Perron (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to make interim provision for the appropriation of moneys out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the year ending 30 June 1985, the subject of Message No.1 from His Honour the Administrator.

Bill read a first time.

*Suspension of Standing Orders:* Mr Perron moved - That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Supply Bill 1984-85 (Serial 43) passing through all stages at this sittings.

*The proposal having been supported by the required number of members -*

Question - put and passed.

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

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

11. EVIDENCE (BUSINESS RECORDS) INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS BILL 1984 (Serial 41):

Mr Robertson (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make business records admissible as evidence in all proceedings, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Robertson moved - That the Bill 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.

12. WILLS AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 35):

Mr Robertson (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Wills Act*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

13. CREDIT UNIONS AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 34):

Mr Robertson (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Credit Unions Act*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

14. COMPANIES AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 32):

Mr Robertson (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Companies Act*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Robertson moved - That the Bill 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.

15. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - TAKE THREE BILLS TOGETHER AND PASS THROUGH ALL STAGES:

Mr Robertson (Attorney-General) moved - That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent three Bills relating to the criminal law - the Criminal Code Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 37), the Sexual Offences (Evidence and Procedure) Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 39), and the Justices Amendment Bill (No.2) 1984 (Serial 38) -

(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 stages, and the third readings of the Bills together; and the consideration of the Bills separately in the committee of the whole; and

(b) being passed through all stages at this sittings.

*The motion having been supported by the required number of members -*  
Question - put and passed.

16. CRIMINAL LAW BILLS - CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 37), SEXUAL OFFENCES (EVIDENCE AND PROCEDURE) AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 39), and JUSTICES AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1984 (Serial 38):

Mr Robertson (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented Bills for Acts to amend the Criminal Code; the *Sexual Offences (Evidence and Procedure) Act*; and the *Justices Act*.

Bills read a first time.

Mr Robertson 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.

17. FURTHER NOTICES:

Mr Dondas (Deputy Chief Minister), by leave, on behalf of the Chief Minister, gave the following further notices:

Mr Everingham: To present the Aboriginal Land Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 46), the Bushfires Amendment Bill (No.2) 1984 (Serial 47), the Fences Amendment Bill (No.2) 1984 (Serial 48), the Stock Diseases Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 49), and the Summary Offences Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 50).

18. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICES:

On the motion of Mr Robertson (Attorney-General) Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 4, Government Business, were postponed until the next sitting day.



19. MOTOR VEHICLES AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1984 (Serial 20):

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 Robertson (Attorney-General) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

20. TRAFFIC AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 19):

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 Robertson (Attorney-General) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

21. SUPREME COURT AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 7):

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 Robertson (Attorney-General) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

22. MOTOR VEHICLES AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 6):

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 Robertson (Attorney-General) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

23. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr Robertson (Attorney-General) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 5.54 p.m. adjourned until tomorrow at 10.00 a.m.

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ATTENDANCE:

All members attended the sitting.

Thursday 7 June 1984

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

2. NOTICE:

The following notice was given:

Mr Tuxworth: To present the Energy Pipelines Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 45).

3. QUESTIONS:

Questions without notice were asked.

*Distinguished visitors - Chief Minister and Sarawak government officers:*

Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that Rt Hon. Datuk Patinggi Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud, Chief Minister of Sarawak, and officers of his government were present in the Speaker's Gallery, and extended a warm welcome to the distinguished visitors.

Mr Speaker, with the concurrence of members, invited the Rt Hon. Chief Minister of Sarawak to take a seat on the floor of the Assembly.

Further questions without notice were asked.

4. OIL AND GAS RESERVES - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - PAPER TABLED - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:

Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy), by leave, made a statement relating to a proposed north-south gas pipeline, development of the Mereenie oil field, and implications of the Jabiru oil field discovery.

*Paper tabled:* Mr Tuxworth laid on the Table a copy of a Department of Mines and Energy report entitled "The Jabiru Oil Discovery - Implications for the Northern Territory" dated March 1984.

Mr Tuxworth, by leave, moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.

Debate ensued.

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

5. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE - HOUSING NEEDS, ALICE SPRINGS:

Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that Mr Smith (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the Assembly for discussion, namely "the government's failure to adequately plan for the future housing needs of Alice Springs".

*The proposed discussion having received the necessary support -*

Mr Smith addressed the Assembly.

Discussion ensued.

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*Suspension of sitting:* The sitting was suspended between 12.03 and 2.00 p.m.

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Discussion resumed.

*Extension of time:* On the motion of Mr D.W. Collins, an extension of time was granted to Mr Perron.

Discussion concluded.

6. NEW PARLIAMENT HOUSE COMPETITION - STATEMENT:

Mr Speaker made a statement on the new Parliament House as follows:

The closing date for registration for the architectural competition for the new Parliament House was 1 June 1984. Documents were to be sent to those architects who had registered on 6 June.

Yesterday, documentation was sent to all the architects who had registered and who had paid the required \$200 fee.

In all 253 registrations were received. Of those registrations, 7 were from overseas from architects registered in Australian states or territories; 14 registrations were from the Northern Territory, 51 from Queensland, 75 from New South Wales, 47 from Victoria, 13 from South Australia, 20 from the Australian Capital Territory, 4 from Tasmania, and 22 from Western Australia.

Entries are to be lodged by 24 August 1984 and it is expected that the assessing panel will have completed its task by the end of September. It is also expected that the winning designs will be announced in October 1984.

7. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - TAKE THREE BILLS TOGETHER AND PASS THROUGH ALL STAGES:

Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) moved - That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent three Bills relating to Aboriginal land - the Aboriginal Community Living Areas Bill 1984 (Serial 30), the Northern Territory Development Land Corporation (Vesting of Land) Bill 1984 (Serial 40), and the Fences Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 52) -

(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 stages, and the third readings of the Bills together; and the consideration of the Bills separately in the committee of the whole; and

(b) being passed through all stages at this sittings.

*The motion having been supported by the required number of members - Question - put and passed.*

8. ABORIGINAL LAND BILLS - ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY LIVING AREAS BILL 1984 (Serial 30), NORTHERN TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT LAND CORPORATION (VESTING OF LAND) BILL 1984 (Serial 40), and FENCES AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 52):

Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide (as part of an inseverable legislative arrangement whereby certain land of public importance is alienated from the Crown by the *Northern Territory Development Land Corporation (Vesting of Land) Act 1984* and other land may be applied for and dealt with in accordance with this Act) for the excision of certain areas of land from pastoral leases and the granting of an estate in fee simple in those areas as living areas for the benefit of Aboriginals who are or have been ordinarily resident on those pastoral leases or other Aboriginals, and for related purposes; a Bill for an Act to vest in the Northern Territory Development Land Corporation an estate in fee simple in certain land, and for related purposes; and a Bill for an Act to amend the *Fences Act*.

Bills read a first time.

Mr Everingham moved - That the Bills 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.

9. LIQUOR AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 25):  
Mr Dondas (Minister for Health, Youth, Sport, Recreation and Ethnic Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Liquor Act*.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr Dondas moved - That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Ede) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.
10. LEAVE TO PRESENT BILL WITHOUT NOTICE:  
Mr Perron (Treasurer) was granted leave to present the Lotteries and Gaming Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 56).
11. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - TAKE FOUR BILLS TOGETHER:  
Mr Perron (Treasurer) moved - That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent four Bills relating to casinos and gaming - the Casino Licensing and Control Bill 1984 (Serial 53), the Casino Licence and Control Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 54), the Casino Development Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 55), and the Lotteries and Gaming Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 56) -
- (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 stages, and the third readings of the Bills together; and
  - (b) the consideration of the Bills separately in the committee of the whole.
- The motion having been supported by the required number of members -*  
Question - put and passed.
12. CASINO AND GAMING BILLS - CASINO LICENSING AND CONTROL BILL 1984 (Serial 53), CASINO LICENCE AND CONTROL AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 54), CASINO DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 55), and LOTTERIES AND GAMING AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 56):  
Mr Perron (Treasurer), pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the licensing and control of casinos, and Bills for Acts to amend the *Casino Licence and Control Act*, the *Casino Development Act*, and the *Lotteries and Gaming Act*.  
Bills read a first time.  
Mr Perron 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.
13. OIL REFINERY AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL 1984 (Serial 44):  
Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to approve agreements between the Territory and certain companies relating to the construction and operation of an oil refinery, and for other purposes.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr Tuxworth 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.
14. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - TAKE FIVE BILLS TOGETHER:  
Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) moved - That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent five Bills relating to Aboriginal land - the Aboriginal Land Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 46), the Bushfires Amendment Bill (No.2) 1984 (Serial 47), the Fences Amendment Bill (No.2) 1984 (Serial 48), the Stock Diseases Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 49), and the Summary Offences Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 50) -

- (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 stages, and the third readings of the Bills together; and
- (b) the consideration of the Bills separately in the committee of the whole.

*The motion having been supported by the required number of members -*  
Question - put and passed.

15. ABORIGINAL LAND BILLS - ABORIGINAL LAND AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 46), BUSHFIRES AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1984 (Serial 47), FENCES AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1984 (Serial 48), STOCK DISEASES AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 49), and SUMMARY OFFENCES AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 50):  
Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), pursuant to notice presented Bills for Acts to amend the *Aboriginal Land Act*, the *Bushfires Act*, the *Fences Act*, the *Stock Diseases Act*, and the *Summary Offences Act*.  
Bills read a first time.  
Mr Everingham moved - That the Bills 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.

16. ABORIGINAL LAND RIGHTS - TOOHEY REPORT - STATEMENT NOTED:  
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Everingham (1 March 1984) - That the Assembly take note of the statement -  
Debate resumed.  
Question - put and passed.

17. LONG SERVICE LEAVE AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 14):  
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 a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*  
(Deputy Chairman - Mr Palmer)

Clauses 1 to 5, by leave, taken together and agreed to.  
Clause 6 agreed to, after debate.  
Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole and agreed to.  
Bill to be reported without amendment.

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

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

18. JABIRU TOWN DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (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.  
The Assembly resolved itself into a committee of the whole.
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*In the committee*  
(Deputy Chairman - Mr Palmer)

Clauses 1 to 4, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 5 -

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

Omit from proposed sub-section (5) "to declare a rate or charge" and insert in its stead "or 29A".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 6 agreed to.

Clause 7 -

On the motion of Mr Everingham the following amendments were made -

Omit from proposed section 22 "services" and insert in its stead "a utility service".

Omit from proposed section 23(1)(a) and (2)(b) "service" and insert in its stead "utility service".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 8 to 15, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 16 -

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

Insert in proposed section 28A, after paragraph (c), the following:

"(ca) a loan from the Territory to the Council, where the loan has been approved by the Authority;"

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Remainder of 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 Palmer) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

Question - 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.

19. FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION AND AUDIT AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 8):

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 a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*  
(Deputy Chairman - Mr Palmer)

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

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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

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

20. ALTERATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS:

On the motion of Mr Robertson (Attorney-General), order of the day No.18, Government Business, relating to the Motor Accidents (Compensation) Amendment Bill (No.2) 1984, was called on.

21. MOTOR ACCIDENTS (COMPENSATION) AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1984 (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.

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

22. REAL PROPERTY AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (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.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

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

23. LAW REFORM (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 3):

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 Robertson (Attorney-General) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

24. EVIDENCE AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 2):

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 Robertson (Attorney-General) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

25. SHERIFF AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 21):

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 Robertson (Attorney-General) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

26. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr Robertson (Attorney-General) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 7.25 p.m. adjourned until 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday 12 June 1984.

PAPER:

The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 7 June 1984:

*Annual Report:*

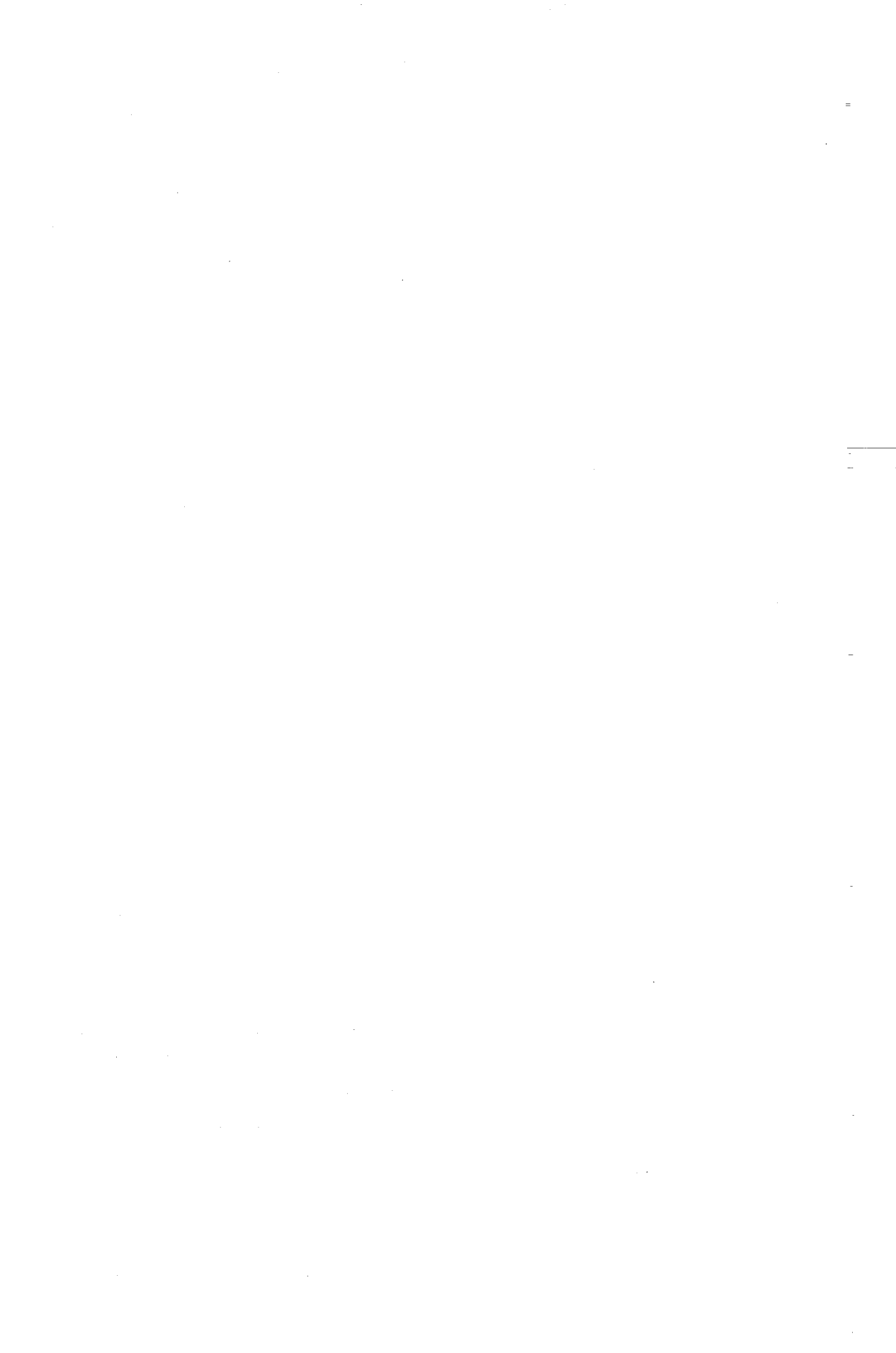
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ATTENDANCE:

All members attended the sitting.





MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 9

Tuesday 12 June 1984

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1. The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable R.M. Steele) took the Chair, and read prayers.
2. NOTICES:  
The following notices were given:  
Mr Everingham: To present the Workmen's Compensation Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 57).  
Mr Tuxworth: To present the Mining Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 42).
3. QUESTIONS:  
Questions without notice were asked.  
*Papers tabled:* Mrs Padgham-Purich (Minister for Housing and Conservation) laid on the Table copies of correspondence between the Minister for Housing and the Chairman of the Northern Territory Housing Commission relating to penalty interest on housing loans.
4. GENERAL BUSINESS DAY:  
Mr Robertson (Attorney-General) informed the Assembly that the next General Business Day would be Thursday, 14 June 1984.
5. ANSWER TO QUESTION:  
Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), by leave, provided further information in answer to a question asked of him earlier this sittings relating to the construction costs of the police complex at Berrimah.
6. NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - PAPER TABLED - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:  
Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy), by leave, made a statement relating to Australia's role in the nuclear fuel cycle.  
*Paper tabled:* Mr Tuxworth, laid on the Table a report by the Australian Science and Technology Council entitled "Australia's Role in the Nuclear Fuel Cycle", dated May 1984.  
Mr Tuxworth, by leave, moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.  
Debate ensued.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Robertson) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.
7. DECLARATION OF URGENT BILL - OIL REFINERY AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL 1984 (Serial 44):  
Mr Speaker, having considered a request from the Chief Minister, pursuant to Standing Order 153 declared the Bill to be an urgent Bill.
8. ENERGY PIPELINES AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 45):  
Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Energy Pipelines Act*.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr Tuxworth 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.
9. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS REGISTRATION AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 1):  
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 Health, Youth, Sport, Recreation and Ethnic Affairs) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

10. CROWN LANDS AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 15):

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.

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*Suspension of sitting:* The sitting was suspended between 12.06 and 2.00p.m.

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Debate resumed.

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

The Assembly resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*

Clauses 1 to 5, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 6 -

Mr Bell moved, as an amendment -

Add at the end the following:

"; and "; and

(c) by inserting after sub-section (2) the following:

'(2A) A determination made for the purposes of sub-section (2) shall remain in force for 18 months from the date on which it is made unless, before the expiration of that period, the determination -

(a) is revoked; or

(b) in accordance with a condition to which it is expressed to be subject, ceases to have effect.

'(2) The amendment made by sub-section (1)(c) shall apply to a determination made for the purposes of sub-section 15(2) of the *Crown Lands Act*, as in force at any time before the commencement of this section, as if this section was in force at the time that the determination was made.'."

Debate ensued.

Question - put and negatived.

Clause, as printed, agreed to.

New clause -

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

"6A. NEW SECTION

"(1) The Principal Act is amended by inserting after section 15 the following:

'15A. GRANT TO STATUTORY CORPORATION TO BE NOTIFIED IN *GAZETTE*

'Where the Minister grants under this Act an estate in fee simple in, or grants under this Act or the *Special Purposes Leases Act* a lease of, Crown land to a statutory corporation, he shall, as soon as practicable after doing so, cause to be published in the *Gazette* a notice advising of that fact and identifying the land and the statutory corporation to which it was granted.'."

Debate ensued.

Question - put and negatived.

Clause, as printed, agreed to.

Clauses 7 to 10, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 11 -

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

Insert in paragraph (c), after proposed sub-section (5), the following:

"(6) Nothing in this section empowers the Minister to acquire land or an interest in land."

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 Vale) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

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

11. BUSHFIRES AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 13):

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 a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*

Clauses 1 to 4, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 5 agreed to, after debate.

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 Vale) reported accordingly and the report was adopted.

Question - 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.

12. MEAT INDUSTRY BILL 1984 (Serial 9):

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.

Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Primary Production) moved - That the committee stages be later taken.

Question - put and passed.

13. FISH AND FISHERIES AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 10):

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 Tuxworth (Minister for Primary Production) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

14. ADOPTION OF CHILDREN AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 12):  
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 Manzie (Minister for Community Development) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.
15. TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 27):  
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 Everingham (Minister for Industrial Development and Tourism) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.
16. STATUTE LAW REVISION BILL 1984 (Serial 26):  
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 a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 -

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

Add at the end the following:

"(2) The Inflammable Matters Regulations (comprising Regulation No. 16 of 1958 and Regulation No. 14 of 1963) and the Fire Hazards Regulations (comprising Regulation No. 14 of 1962 and Regulation No. 18 of 1963), both made under the *Fire Brigades Act* as then in force, are repealed."

Clause, as amended, agreed to

Clause 3 agreed to.

Schedule 1 agreed to.

Schedule 2 -

On the motion of Mr Everingham the following amendments were made -

Insert after the item headed "*Dangerous Goods Act*" the following:

*Juvenile Justice Act*

Section 53(1)	'thinks fit,'	'thinks fit, whether or not it proceeds to conviction,'
Section 58(2)(a)	'made under'	'made under or for the purposes of'
Section 58(2)(b)	the whole paragraph	'(b) shall be heard by a single Judge.

'(3) Subject to the rules, if any, made under or for the purposes of this Act, the provisions of the *Justices Act* relating to appeals from the Court of Summary Jurisdiction shall apply, so far as they are applicable, to an appeal under sub-section (1).'

Section 60 'a juvenile' 'a juvenile or the proceedings'."

Insert after the item headed "*Prisons (Correctional Services) Act*" the following:

"*Racing and Betting Act*

Section 145A the whole section

'145A. REGULATORY OFFENCES

'(1) An offence of contravening or failing to comply with -

(a) subject to sub-section (2), section 27, 29, 32, 40 or 46(8); or

(b) section 36(6), 79(c), (d), (e), (j) or (k), 81, 98(4), 101, 103(3), (4) or (5), 106(1) or (2), 107 or 117,

is a regulatory offence.

'(2) Sub-section (1)(a) does not apply to a person referred to in section 142(1) who was unknowingly concerned in or party to the commission of the offence.'

Insert after the item headed "*Traffic Act*" the following:

"*Veterinary Surgeons Act*

Section 4 'Registrar' means the person appointed to be Registrar under this Act;"

'Court' means the Supreme Court; 'Registrar' means the person appointed to be the Registrar under this Act;"

Schedule 2, as amended, agreed to.  
Title agreed to.  
Bill to be reported with amendments.

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

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

17. DARWIN PORT AUTHORITY AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 29):

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 Robertson (Attorney-General) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

18. MOTOR ACCIDENTS (COMPENSATION) AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1984 (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.

Mr Robertson (Attorney-General) moved - That the committee stages be later taken.

Question - put and passed.

19. EDUCATION AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1984 (Serial 31):

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 Robertson) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

20. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 7.44 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. 10

Wednesday 13 June 1984

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

2. NOTICES:

The following notices were given:

Mr B. Collins: To move -

1. That the following matters be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders:
  - (a) the possible misuse of the privilege of freedom of speech by honourable members who make reflections on non-members;
  - (b) whether the standing orders should be amended to permit such a non-member who feels aggrieved to have his grievance considered by the Assembly or by a committee of the Assembly; and
  - (c) whether any further actions are appropriate in such circumstances.
2. That, in considering the above matters, the Standing Orders Committee:
  - (a) have power to move from place to place, to meet and transact business in public or private session, to adjourn from time to time, to sit during any recess, and to send for persons, papers and records; and
  - (b) be empowered to publish from day to day such papers and evidence from the committee as may be ordered by it, and a daily *Hansard* be published of such proceedings as take place in public.
3. That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.

Mrs Padgham-Purich: To present the Housing Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 60).

Mr Bell: To present the Electoral Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 51).

Mr Bell: To move - That this Assembly resolves that the Territory government should take immediate steps to fulfill its stated commitments to anti-discrimination and its legislative obligations, and introduce appropriate sex discrimination legislation to complement the new federal sex discrimination legislation.

*Distinguished visitor - Mr R. Steele Hall, M.P.:* Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that Mr R. Steele Hall, M.P., the member for Boothby in the House of Representatives and a former Premier of South Australia, and Mrs Hall were present in the Speaker's Gallery. Mr Speaker extended a warm welcome to the distinguished visitors.

Mr Smith: To move - That the Deputy Chief Minister be censured by this Assembly for his failure to carry out properly his ministerial responsibilities under the Housing Act while he was the Minister for Housing.

3. CENSURE OF DEPUTY CHIEF MINISTER - MOTION:

Mr Robertson (Attorney-General), informed the Assembly that the government would not, in conformity with practice, proceed with further business until the notice of motion of Mr Smith had been disposed of.

*Suspension of standing orders:* Mr Robertson, moved - That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Smith moving without notice a motion to censure the Deputy Chief Minister.



*The proposal having been supported by the required number of members -*  
Question - put and passed.

Mr Smith (Millner) moved - That the Deputy Chief Minister be censured by this Assembly for his failure to carry out properly his ministerial responsibilities under the Housing Act while he was the Minister for Housing.

Debate ensued.

Question - put.

The Assembly divided (the Speaker, Hon. R.M. Steele, in the Chair) -

AYES, 6	NOES, 19
Mr Bell	Mr D.W. Collins
Mr B. Collins	Mr Coulter
Mr Ede	Mr Dale
Mr Lanhupuy	Mr Dondas
Mr Leo	Mr Everingham
Mr Smith	Mr Finch
	Mr Firmin
	Mr Hanrahan
	Mr Harris
	Mr Hatton
	Mr Manzie
	Mr McCarthy
	Mrs Padgham-Purich
	Mr Palmer
	Mr Perron
	Mr Robertson
	Mr Steele
	Mr Tuxworth
	Mr Vale

And so it was negatived.

4. LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - STATEMENT NOTED:

Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), by leave, made a statement relating to government liabilities and contingent liabilities in respect of major construction projects.

Mr Everingham, by leave, moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.

Debate ensued.

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*Suspension of sitting:* The sitting was suspended between 12.00 noon and 2.00 p.m.

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Question - put and passed.

5. GRANTS COMMISSION - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:

Mr Perron (Treasurer), by leave, made a statement relating to the Commonwealth Grants Commission and matters affecting the Territory.

6. ALTERATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS:

On the motion of Mr Perron (Treasurer) Notice No.2, Government Business, was called on.

7. MINING AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 42):

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

Bill read a first time.

Mr Tuxworth 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.

8. ALTERATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS:

On the motion of Mr Robertson (Attorney-General) Notice No.1, Government Business, was called on.

9. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 57):

Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Workmen's Compensation Act*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Everingham 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.

10. ALTERATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS:

On the motion of Mr Robertson (Attorney-General), intervening business was postponed until after the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2, 4, 5, 10, 7 and 8, Government Business, in that order.

11. MOTOR ACCIDENTS (COMPENSATION) AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1984 (Serial 24):

The order of the day having been read for the consideration of the Bill in the committee of the whole Assembly -

The Assembly resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*

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

Clause 4 -

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

Omit from paragraph (a)(iv) of the proposed definition of "resident of the Territory" the words "or (ii)" and insert "or (iii)".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 5 -

Debate ensued.

Question - put.

The Committee divided (the Chairman, Mr Vale, in the Chair) -

AYES, 16	NOES, 6
Mr D.W. Collins	Mr Bell
Mr Coulter	Mr B. Collins
Mr Dale	Mr Ede
Mr Dondas	Mr Lanhupuy
Mr Finch	Mr Leo
Mr Firmin	Mr Smith
Mr Hanrahan	
Mr Harris	
Mr Hatton	
Mr Manzie	
Mr McCarthy	
Mr Palmer	
Mr Perron	
Mr Robertson	
Mr Tuxworth	
Mr Vale	

And so it was decided in the affirmative.

Clause 6 negatived, after debate.

New clause -

On the motion of Mr Perron the following new clause was inserted in the Bill, after debate -

6. EXCLUSION OF PERSONS COMMITTING OFFENCES FROM CERTAIN BENEFITS

Section 9 of the Principal Act is amended -

(a) by omitting from paragraph (a) ", and he is convicted accordingly";

(b) by omitting paragraph (b) and substituting the following:

"(b) in respect of which he is convicted of -

(i) manslaughter;

(ii) an offence against section 154 of the Criminal Code;

(iii) dangerous driving; or

(iv) an offence in respect of an act or omission occurring outside the Territory which, if it had occurred in the Territory, would constitute an offence referred to in paragraph (i), (ii) or (iii);"; and

(c) by omitting ", the influence of drugs or the manner of driving, as the case may be, giving rise to the conviction," and substituting "or the influence of the drug, or the manner of driving giving rise to the conviction,".

Clauses 7 and 8, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 9 agreed to, after debate.

Clauses 10 to 14, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Clause 15 -

Mr Perron moved, as an amendment -

Add at the end the following:

"(d) by omitting "the amount that the Office has paid in respect of that death or injury" and substituting "so much of the amount that the Office has paid in respect of that death or injury as the court before which the recovery action is brought thinks reasonable having regard to the ability or likely ability of the person to pay.".

Mr Smith moved, as an amendment to the proposed amendment -

Omit from the proposed amendment (Mr Perron) all words before, and including, "by omitting" and insert in their stead the following:

"Omit all words after 'amended' and insert in their stead the following:

'by omitting'.".

Debate ensued.

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

Question - That the amendment (Mr Perron) be agreed to - put and passed. Clause, as amended, agreed to.

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

Bill to be reported with amendments.

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

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

12. SUPPLY BILL 1984-85 (Serial 43):

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 Perron (Treasurer) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

13. CRIMINAL LAW BILLS - CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 37), SEXUAL OFFENCES (EVIDENCE AND PROCEDURE) AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 39), and JUSTICES AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1984 (Serial 38):

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.

*Personal explanation:* Mr Bell (Macdonnell), by leave, made a personal explanation relating to inferences drawn from his remarks by Mr D.W. Collins during debate.

Debate continued.

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

The Assembly resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*

*Criminal Code Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 37)*

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

Clause 3 -

On the motion of Mr Robertson the following amendment was made, after debate -

Add at the end the following:

"(2) It is hereby declared that the amendment effected by sub-section (1) applies to and in relation to all proceedings before a court in respect of an offence committed on or after 1 January 1984, in which the question of guilt has not been determined before that court before the commencement of this Act, as if the amendment came into operation on 1 January 1984."

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

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

*Sexual Offences (Evidence and Procedure) Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 39)*

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

*Justices Amendment Bill (No.2) 1984 (Serial 38)*

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

Bills to be reported with an amendment to the Criminal Code Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 37).

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

The Bills were read a third time and passed to be proposed laws.

14. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - PASS FOUR BILLS THROUGH ALL STAGES:  
Mr Robertson (Attorney-General) moved - That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent four bills relating to casinos and gaming - Casino Licensing and Control Bill 1984 (Serial 53), Casino Licence and Control Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 54), Casino Development Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 55), and Lotteries and Gaming Amendment Bill 1984 (Serial 56) - passing through all stages at this sittings.  
*The proposal having been supported by the required number of members -*  
Question - put and passed.
15. CASINO AND GAMING BILLS - CASINO LICENSING AND CONTROL BILL 1984 (Serial 53), CASINO LICENCE AND CONTROL AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 54), CASINO DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 55), and LOTTERIES AND GAMING AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 56):  
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 the third readings to be moved forthwith.  
On the motion of Mr Perron (Treasurer) the Bills were read a third time and passed to be proposed laws.
16. RACING INDUSTRY - REPORT OF WORKING PARTY - PAPER NOTED:  
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Perron (6 June 1984) - That the Assembly take note of the paper -  
Debate resumed.  
Question - put and passed.
17. NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - STATEMENT NOTED:  
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Tuxworth (12 June 1984) - That the Assembly take note of the statement -  
Debate resumed.  
Question - put and passed.
18. MEAT INDUSTRY BILL 1984 (Serial 9):  
The order of the day having been read for the consideration of the Bill in the committee of the whole Assembly -  
Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.  
On the motion of Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Primary Production) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.
19. EDUCATION AMENDMENT BILL (No.2) 1984 (Serial 31):  
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 a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*

Clauses 1 to 4, by leave, taken together and agreed to.  
Clause 5 negatived, after debate.  
New clause -  
On the motion of Mr Harris the following new clause was inserted in the Bill -

"5. REPEAL AND SUBSTITUTION

"Section 21 of the Principal Act is repealed and the following substituted:

'(1) Subject to sub-section (3), a parent who has the actual custody of a child of compulsory school age -

(a) shall enrol the child in -

(i) a Government school; or

(ii) a non-Government school which is a registered educational institution within the meaning of Part VII; or

(b) may, subject to sub-section (3), provide education for the child which is efficient and suitable.

Penalty: \$200.

(2) For the purposes of sub-section (1)(b) -

(a) the parent shall obtain the consent in writing of the Secretary before providing such education for the child; and

(b) whether such education is efficient and suitable or not shall be a matter for the decision of the Secretary who may, if he thinks fit, obtain a report on the education by a person authorized by him in writing to do so.

(3) Sub-section (1) does not apply to or in relation to a child for whom special arrangements under Part V have been made for the education of the child and the child is complying with those arrangements.'."

Clause 6 -

On the motion of Mr Harris the following amendments were made -

Omit from proposed section 61 the definition of "interim registration".

Omit from the definition of "registered" in proposed section 61 the words "and includes interim registration".

On the motion of Mr Harris the following further amendment was made, after debate -

Omit from proposed section 63(1) paragraph (g) and insert the following:

"(g) its financial position as at the time of the application and the means by which it is proposed to finance the continued operation of the institution; and".

On the motion of Mr Harris the following further amendments were made -

Insert in proposed section 64(2) after "conditions" the words "(which may include a condition expressing a limited period for the registration)".

Omit proposed section 67(2) and insert the following:

"(2) An authorized person who visits for the purpose referred to in sub-section (1)(c) a registered educational institution shall, as soon as practicable after the visit, submit to the Secretary a report

on whether the institution is operating in accordance with the prescribed requirements or so much of the prescribed requirements as are applicable to it, and the Secretary shall, as soon as practicable after receiving the report, furnish a copy of it to the public officer of the institution."

Omit proposed section 68A and insert the following:

"68A. OFFENCE TO MANAGE, &c., INSTITUTION WHICH IS NOT REGISTERED

"A person who has the management or control of the affairs of an educational institution, established for the purpose of providing or offering to provide courses of instruction in primary or secondary education to a child of compulsory school age, which is not registered, is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: \$2,000."

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 7 agreed to.

Clause 8 -

On the motion of Mr Harris the following amendment was made, after debate -

Omit "upon the same conditions as were applicable to it immediately before that commencement" and insert "upon such of the conditions as were applicable to it immediately before that commencement as are not inconsistent with the Principal Act as amended by this Act and the Regulations".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

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

Question - 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.

20. OIL REFINERY AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL 1984 (Serial 44):

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 Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy) the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

21. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr Robertson (Attorney-General) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 8.45 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 13 June 1984:

*Regulations 1984:*

No.30 Alice Springs (Abandoned Vehicles) By-laws

No.31 Alice Springs (Garbage Dumps) By-laws

No.32 Alice Springs (Stallholders) By-laws

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ATTENDANCE:

All members attended the sitting.





MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 11

Thursday 14 June 1984

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1. The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable R.M. Steele) took the Chair, and read prayers.
2. QUESTIONS:  
Questions without notice were asked.
3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:  
Mr D.W. Collins (Sadadeen) moved - That leave of absence be granted for the remainder of this sittings to Mr Everingham, who is attending a ministerial conference on industry and technology.  
Question - put and passed.
4. HOUSING IN ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT:  
Mrs Padgham-Purich (Minister for Housing and Conservation), by leave, made a statement relating to the provision of Aboriginal housing in Aboriginal communities.  
Mrs Padgham-Purich, by leave, moved - That the Assembly take note of the statement.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Smith) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.
5. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:  
Mr Robertson (Attorney-General) moved - That the Assembly, at its rising, adjourn until 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday 21 August 1984 or such other time and date set by Mr Speaker pursuant to Sessional Order.  
Question - put and passed.
6. PROPOSED PUBLIC EXPENDITURE COMMITTEE - MOTION TO APPOINT:  
Mr Leo (Nhulunbuy) moved -
  1. That a Standing Committee to be known as the Standing Committee on Expenditure be appointed to -
    - (a) consider any papers on public expenditure presented to the Legislative Assembly and such of the estimates as it sees fit to examine;
    - (b) consider estimates and figures of expenditure and make recommendations concerning ways in which programmes may be carried out more efficiently;
    - (c) examine the relationship between the costs and benefits of implementing government programmes; and
    - (d) inquire into and report on any question in connection with public expenditure which is referred to it by the Legislative Assembly.
  2. That the committee consist of five members, three nominated by the Chief Minister and two nominated by the Leader of the Opposition.
  3. That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the Speaker.
  4. That the members of the committee hold office for the remainder of the term of the Legislative Assembly.
  5. That three members of the committee constitute a quorum.

6. That the committee elect one of its members as Chairman and one as Deputy Chairman, who shall perform the Chairman's duties when the Chairman is absent. In the absence of both the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman the members of the committee present shall elect another member to perform the duties at that meeting.
7. That the committee have power to appoint sub-committees consisting of three or more of its members, and to refer to any such sub-committee any matter which the committee is empowered to examine.
8. That the committee appoint the Chairman of each sub-committee who shall have a casting vote only and at any time when the Chairman of a sub-committee is not present at a meeting of the sub-committee the members of the sub-committee shall appoint one of the members present to perform the duties of the Chairman at that meeting.
9. That a majority of the members of the sub-committee constitute a quorum of that sub-committee.
10. That members of the committee who are not members of a sub-committee may take part in the public proceedings of that sub-committee but shall not vote or move any motion or constitute a quorum.
11. That the committee and sub-committees have power to move from place to place, to meet and transact business in public or private session, to adjourn from time to time, to sit during any recess, and to send for persons, papers and records.
12. That the committee be empowered to publish from day to day such papers and evidence from the committee or any sub-committee as may be ordered by it, and a daily *Hansard* be published of such proceedings as take place in public.
13. That the committee be provided with all necessary staff, facilities and resources.
14. That the committee, in selecting particular matters for investigation, take account of the investigations of other committees of the Assembly and avoid duplication.
15. That the committee have leave to report from time to time and that any member of the committee have power to add a protest or dissent to any report.
16. That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.

Debate ensued.

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

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Debate resumed.

Question - put.

The Assembly divided (the Speaker, Hon. R.M. Steele, in the Chair) -

AYES, 6	NOES, 17
Mr Bell	Mr D.W. Collins
Mr B. Collins	Mr Coulter
Mr Ede	Mr Dale
Mr Lanhupuy	Mr Dondas
Mr Leo	Mr Finch
Mr Smith	Mr Firmin
	Mr Hanrahan
	Mr Harris
	Mr Hatton
	Mr Manzie
	Mr McCarthy
	Mrs Padgham-Purich
	Mr Palmer
	Mr Perron
	Mr Steele
	Mr Tuxworth
	Mr Vale

And so it was negatived.

7. STANDING ORDERS - MOTION TO REFER MATTERS TO STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE -  
MOTION WITHDRAWN:

Mr B. Collins (Leader of the Opposition) moved -

1. That the following matters be referred to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders:
  - (a) the possible misuse of the privilege of freedom of speech by honourable members who make reflections on non-members;
  - (b) whether the standing orders should be amended to permit such a non-member who feels aggrieved to have his grievance considered by the Assembly or by a committee of the Assembly; and
  - (c) whether any further actions are appropriate in such circumstances.
2. That, in considering the above matters, the Standing Orders Committee:
  - (a) have power to move from place to place, to meet and transact business in public or private session, to adjourn from time to time, to sit during any recess, and to send for persons, papers and records; and
  - (b) be empowered to publish from day to day such papers and evidence from the committee as may be ordered by it, and a daily *Hansard* be published of such proceedings as take place in public.
3. That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

8. ELECTORAL AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 51):

Mr Bell (Macdonnell), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Electoral Act*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

9. SEX DISCRIMINATION LEGISLATION - MOTION TO INTRODUCE:

Mr Bell (Macdonnell), pursuant to notice, moved - That this Assembly resolves that the Territory government should take immediate steps to fulfill its stated commitments to anti-discrimination and its legislative obligations, and introduce appropriate sex discrimination legislation to complement the new federal sex discrimination legislation.

Debate ensued.

Question - put.

The Assembly divided (the Speaker, Hon. R.M. Steele, in the Chair) -

AYES, 6	NOES, 16
Mr Bell	Mr D.W. Collins
Mr B. Collins	Mr Coulter
Mr Ede	Mr Dale
Mr Lanhupuy	Mr Dondas
Mr Leo	Mr Finch
Mr Smith	Mr Firmin
	Mr Hanrahan
	Mr Harris
	Mr Hatton
	Mr Manzie
	Mr McCarthy
	Mr Palmer
	Mr Perron
	Mr Steele
	Mr Tuxworth
	Mr Vale

And so it was negatived.

10. HOUSING AMENDMENT BILL 1984 (Serial 60):

Mr Perron (Treasurer), on behalf of and at the request of Mrs Padgham-Purich (Minister for Housing and Conservation), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Housing Act*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Perron 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.

11. PETROLEUM BILL 1984 (Serial 61):

Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to regulate the exploration for, and the production of, petroleum.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Tuxworth 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.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr Harris (Minister for Education) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

*Personal explanation:* Mr Bell (Macdonnell), by leave, made a personal explanation relating to remarks made by Mr Hatton earlier during the adjournment debate.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 8.18 p.m. adjourned until 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday 21 August 1984 or such other time and date set by Mr Speaker pursuant to Sessional Order.

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PAPERS:

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 14 June 1984:

*Annual Report:*

Uranium Mining (Environment Control) Act, 1983

*Financial Statements:*

Darwin City Council, 1982-3

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

Proposed revocation of Reserve No.1651 (Town of Adelaide River)

Proposed revocation of Reserves Nos. 1316 and 1435 (Town of Nightcliff)

Proposed revocation of Reserve No.1034 (Raintree Park)

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ATTENDANCE:

All members attended the sitting, except Mr Everingham who had been granted leave of absence.

H.G. SMITH

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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FIRST SESSION

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