

**PART III**

**THE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

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

No. 1

Tuesday 19 August 1980

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THE THIRD LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY assembled in the Legislative Assembly Chamber at 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday 19 August 1980, being the first day of the meeting of the Third Assembly for the dispatch of business pursuant to the Notice set out hereunder:

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA  
*Northern Territory (Self Government) Act 1978*  
NOTICE FIXING THE TIME FOR THE HOLDING OF THE  
FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRD LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

I, JOHN ARMSTRONG ENGLAND, the Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia, in pursuance of my powers under section 22(1) of the *Northern Territory (Self Government) Act 1978* of the Commonwealth, appoint the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday 19 August, 1980, as the time for the commencement of the first session of the third Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory of Australia, to be held in the Legislative Assembly Chamber, Darwin.

Dated this eleventh day of July, 1980

(SGD) J.A. ENGLAND  
Administrator

1. SWEARING IN OF MEMBERS: The Honourable William Edward Stanley Forster, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory, took the Chair and presented his Authorization to administer oaths and affirmations which was read by the Clerk:

His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia.

To: The Honourable William Edward Stanley Forster the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory of Australia.

Greeting:

WHEREAS by section 13 of the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978* it is amongst other things enacted that every Member of the Legislative Assembly shall, before taking his seat, make and subscribe before the Administrator, or some person authorized by him, an Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance in the form set out in Schedule 2 to the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978* and an Oath or Affirmation of Office in the form set out in Schedule 3 to the aforesaid Act:

NOW, THEREFORE I, JOHN ARMSTRONG ENGLAND, the Administrator aforesaid, do by these Presents command and authorize you to attend at the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly at Darwin on Tuesday, the nineteenth day of August, One thousand nine hundred and eighty on the opening of the Assembly at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, and there and then to administer the said Oaths and Affirmations to such Members of the Legislative Assembly as are present.

Made under my hand and the Public Seal of the Northern Territory of Australia, this eleventh day of August, One thousand nine hundred and eighty.

(L.S.)

(SGD) J.A. ENGLAND  
Administrator

2. RETURNS TO WRITS FOR ELECTION: The returns to the writs for the election of members of the Legislative Assembly held on 7 June 1980 were laid on the Table and the following members named in the returns made and subscribed the oaths or affirmations required by law:

James Murray Robertson - Gillen  
John Leslie Stuart MacFarlane - Elsey  
Paul Anthony Edward Everingham - Jingili  
Tom Harris - Port Darwin  
Marshall Bruce Perron - Stuart Park  
Roger William Stanley Vale - Stuart  
Ian Lindsay Tuxworth - Barkly  
Nicholas Dondas - Casuarina  
Roger Michael Steele - Ludmilla  
Cecilia Noel Padgham-Purich - Tiwi  
Denis Wilfred Collins - Alice Springs  
Jonathan Martin Isaacs - Millner  
John Kevin Doolan - Victoria River  
Neville George Perkins - Macdonnell  
Daniel Murray Leo - Nhulunbuy  
June D'Rozario - Sanderson  
Pamela Francis O'Neil - Fannie Bay  
Bob Collins - Arnhem  
Alline Dawn Lawrie - Nightcliff

His Honour Mr Justice Forster then withdrew from the Chamber.

3. ELECTION OF SPEAKER: The Clerk of the Assembly presiding, Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) proposed to the Assembly for its Speaker Mr MacFarlane and moved -

That the member for Elsey, Mr MacFarlane, do take the Chair of this Assembly as Speaker.

Mr Perron (Treasurer) seconded the motion and Mr MacFarlane (Elsey) informed the Assembly that he accepted nomination.

Mr Isaacs (Leader of the Opposition) proposed to the Assembly for its Speaker Miss D'Rozario and moved -

That the member for Sanderson, Miss D'Rozario, do take the Chair of this Assembly as Speaker.

Mr Perkins (Macdonnell) seconded the motion and Miss D'Rozario (Sanderson) informed the Assembly that she accepted nomination.

The time for proposals having expired -

*Bells rung and ballot conducted.*

The Clerk of the Assembly announced the result of the ballot as Mr MacFarlane 11 votes, Miss D'Rozario 8 votes, and declared Mr MacFarlane elected to the office of Speaker in accordance with standing order 6.

Mr MacFarlane thanked the Assembly for the honour it had conferred upon him and thereupon sat in the Chair.

4. ATTENDANCE OF HIS HONOUR THE ADMINISTRATOR: Mr Speaker and members of the Assembly were received by His Honour the Administrator within the precincts of the Assembly.

Mr Speaker presented himself as the choice of the Legislative Assembly to His Honour the Administrator who congratulated him upon his election and handed to Mr Speaker his authorization to administer oaths and affirmations.

Mr Speaker and members returned to the Chamber.

5. AUTHORIZATION TO ADMINISTER OATHS AND AFFIRMATIONS: Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that he had presented himself to His Honour the Administrator and had received from His Honour the following authorization which was laid on the Table:

His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia.

To: The Honourable John Leslie Stuart MacFarlane, C.M.G., M.L.A.

Greeting:

WHEREAS by section 13 of the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978* it is amongst other things enacted that every Member of the Legislative Assembly shall, before taking his seat, make and subscribe before the Administrator, or some person authorized by him, an Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance in the form set out in Schedule 2 to the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978* and an Oath or Affirmation of Office in the form set out in Schedule 3 to the aforesaid Act:

NOW, THEREFORE I, JOHN ARMSTRONG ENGLAND, the Administrator aforesaid, do by these Presents command and authorize you from time to time, in the Legislative Assembly Chamber, Darwin to administer the said Oaths or Affirmations of Allegiance and of Office to such Members of the Legislative Assembly as have not already taken and subscribed the same since their election to the Assembly.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Northern Territory of Australia, this nineteenth day of August, One thousand nine hundred and eighty.

(L.S.)

(SGD) J.A. ENGLAND  
Administrator

6. SPEECH FROM THE CHAIR - HIS HONOUR THE ADMINISTRATOR: Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) informed the Assembly that His Honour the Administrator intended to attend the Assembly immediately to declare the causes of his calling the Assembly together.
- His Honour the Administrator entering the Chamber, Mr Speaker left the Chair and His Honour delivered, from the Chair, a speech declaring the causes of his calling the Assembly together.
- His Honour then left the Chamber.
7. ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), by leave, made a statement concerning the organization of the Government and the division of administrative responsibilities.
8. OPPOSITION OFFICE HOLDERS - STATEMENT: Mr Isaacs (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, made a statement relating to the office holders in the Opposition.
9. HOLIDAYS AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 15): Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), by leave, presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.
- On the motion of Mr Everingham the second reading of the Bill was made an order of the day for a later day.
10. ADMINISTRATOR'S SPEECH: Mr Speaker informed the Assembly that he had received a copy of His Honour the Administrator's speech.
11. ADDRESS IN REPLY: Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) presented an Address in Reply to the Administrator's speech in the following terms:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR -

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

Mr Everingham moved -

That the Address be agreed to  
and was granted leave to continue his remarks at a later hour.

Mr Isaacs (Leader of the Opposition) seconded the motion and was granted leave to continue his remarks at a later hour.

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

12. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES: Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) proposed to the Assembly for its Chairman of Committees the member for Port Darwin, Mr Harris, and moved -

That the member for Port Darwin, Mr Harris, be appointed Chairman of Committees of this Assembly.

Mr Perron (Treasurer) seconded the motion and Mr Harris informed the Assembly that he accepted nomination.

Mr Isaacs (Leader of the Opposition) proposed to the Assembly for its Chairman of Committees the member for Victoria River, Mr Doolan, and moved -

That the member for Victoria River, Mr Doolan, be appointed Chairman of Committees of this Assembly.

Mr Perkins (Macdonnell) seconded the motion and Mr Doolan informed the Assembly that he accepted nomination.

There being two nominations, Mr Speaker ordered that a ballot be conducted.

*Bells rung and ballot conducted.*

Mr Speaker announced the result of the ballot as Mr Harris 11 votes, Mr Doolan 8 votes, and declared Mr Harris elected to the position of Chairman of Committees.

Members congratulated Mr Harris who made his acknowledgements to the Assembly.

13. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE - APPOINTMENT: Mr Robertson (Minister for Education), by leave, moved -

That, pursuant to standing order 15, Mr Speaker, Mr Dondas, Mr Robertson, Mr Isaacs, and Mr Perkins be appointed as the Standing Orders Committee.

Question put and passed.

14. COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES - APPOINTMENT: Mr Robertson (Minister for Education), by leave, moved -

That, pursuant to standing order 16, Mr Perron, Mr Tuxworth, Mr Harris, Mr Doolan, and Miss D'Rozario be appointed as the Committee of Privileges.

That the committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, to sit during any adjournment of the Assembly and to adjourn from place to place.

Question put and passed.

15. HOUSE COMMITTEE - APPOINTMENT: Mr Robertson (Minister for Education), by leave, moved -

That, pursuant to standing order 17, Mr Speaker, Mr Dondas, Mr Vale, Mrs O'Neil, and Mr Leo be appointed as the House Committee.

Question put and passed.

16. PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE - APPOINTMENT: Mr Robertson (Minister for Education), by leave, moved -

That, pursuant to standing order 18, Mr Steele, Mrs Padgham-Purich, Mr Vale, Mr B. Collins, and Mr Doolan be appointed as the Publications Committee.

That the committee have power to sit during any adjournment of the Assembly.

Question put and passed.

17. SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION AND TABLED PAPERS COMMITTEE - APPOINTMENT: Mr Robertson (Minister for Education), by leave, moved -

That, pursuant to standing order 19, Mr Harris, Mrs Padgham-Purich, Mr D.W. Collins, Mr Perkins and Mrs Lawrie be appointed as the Standing Committee on Subordinate Legislation and Tabled Papers.

Question put and passed.

18. ADJOURNMENT: Mr Robertson (Minister for Education) moved -

That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 3.16 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 1980, pursuant to statute:

*Annual Reports:*

Jabiru Town Development Authority, 1979

*Community Government Scheme:*

Lajamanu Community

*Regulations:*

- No. 17 Amendments of the Motor Vehicle Regulations
- No. 18 Amendment of the Motor Omnibus Regulations
- No. 19 Amendment of the Abattoirs and Slaughtering Regulations
- No. 20 Amendments of the Port By-laws
- No. 21 Industries Training Regulations
- No. 22 Motor Vehicle Dealers Regulations
- No. 23 Amendments of the Brands Regulations
- No. 24 Firearms Regulations
- No. 25 Amendment of the Land and Business Agents Regulations
- No. 26 Legal Practitioners Regulations
- No. 27 Amendment of the Motor Vehicles (Fees and Charges) Regulations
- No. 28 Amendment of the Water Supply (Terms and Conditions of Supply) Regulations
- No. 29 Amendment of the Fish and Fisheries Regulations
- No. 30 Radioactive Ores and Concentrates (Packaging and Transport) Regulations
- No. 31 Hospitals and Medical Services (Traffic) Regulations
- No. 32 General Nursing Regulations
- No. 33 Dog Regulations
- No. 34 Amendments of the Motor Vehicle (Hire Car) Regulations
- No. 35 Amendment of the Home Loans Scheme Regulations

*Reports:*

Commission of Inquiry into the Efficiency and Administration of Hospitals - Interim Report 1980

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ATTENDANCE: All members attended the sitting.



Wednesday 20 August 1980

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1. The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment - Mr Speaker MacFarlane took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS: Mr Steele (Ludmilla) presented a petition from 113 residents of the Ludmilla area concerning the development of unkempt Crown land in the district.  
Petition received and read.  
Mr Doolan (Victoria River) presented a petition from 120 residents of the Northern Territory concerning a dust problem in the Virginia Road area.  
Petition received and read.
3. QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
4. DEPARTMENT OF MINES - ANNUAL REPORT 1978-79: Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy) laid on the Table a copy of the Department's annual report for 1978-9.
5. ANNUAL REPORT - URANIUM MINING (ENVIRONMENT CONTROL) ACT 1979: Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy) laid the Report on the Table.
6. DIRECTIONS OF TREASURER: Mr Perron (Treasurer) laid on the Table copies of Treasurer's Directions of 3 June 1980 and 17 June 1980 made under the *Financial Administration and Audit Act*.
7. COMMISSIONER FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS - ANNUAL REPORT: Mr Perron (Treasurer) laid on the Table a copy of the first annual report of the Commissioner for Consumer Affairs and moved -  
That the Report be printed.  
Question put and passed.
8. CONSOLIDATION OF NORTHERN TERRITORY LAWS - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), by leave, made a statement on the consolidation and printing of Northern Territory laws.
9. LEPROSY CONTROL IN NORTHERN TERRITORY - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER: Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Health), by leave, made a statement on control of leprosy in the Northern Territory and, by leave, laid on the Table a copy of a paper entitled "Current notes on leprosy control in the Northern Territory, August 1980".  
Mr Isaacs moved -  
That the Assembly take note of the Paper  
and was granted leave to continue his remarks at a later hour.  
Debate adjourned.
10. ADJOURNMENT OF ASSEMBLY - SESSIONAL ORDER: Mr Robertson (Minister for Education), by leave, moved -  
That during the present session of the Assembly, notwithstanding any previous resolution of the Assembly, Mr Speaker may, at his discretion, appoint a time for holding a sittings of the Assembly, which time shall be notified to each member in writing.



Question put and passed.

11. LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR MEMBERS - SESSIONAL ORDER: Mr Robertson (Minister for Education), by leave, moved -

That if the time between the determination of one sitting day and the commencement of the next sitting day is two months or more, on any occasion during this session, all members of the Assembly shall be deemed to have been granted leave of absence for such interval between the sitting days.

Question put and passed.

12. BROADCASTING OF PROCEEDINGS - SESSIONAL ORDER: Mr Robertson (Minister for Education), by leave, moved -

That this Assembly, for the purposes of section 24 of the *Legislative Assembly (Powers and Privileges) Act*, authorizes the broadcasting of the Budget Speech of the Treasurer on Thursday 21 August 1980 and for the remainder of this session authorizes the broadcasting of proceedings on such occasions as Mr Speaker may determine.

Question put and passed.

13. AUSTRALIAN CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION - APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES: Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), by leave, moved -

That the delegates of this Assembly to the Australian Constitutional Convention be Mr Everingham and Mr Isaacs and that in the event that either delegate is unable to attend the Convention, Mr Robertson act as substitute delegate.

Debate ensued.

Mr Isaacs (Leader of the Opposition) moved -

That the motion be amended by omitting the words after "be" and substituting the words "the Chief Minister and the Leader of the Opposition or their respective nominees".

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Motion, as amended, agreed to.

14. AUSTRALASIAN STUDY OF PARLIAMENT GROUP - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES: Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), by leave, moved -

That, during the full term of this Assembly, the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory be represented at meetings of the Australasian Study of Parliament Group, not conflicting with sittings of the Assembly, by two Members, one nominated by the Chief Minister and one nominated by the Leader of the Opposition for each meeting.

Question put and passed.

15. SESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT - APPOINTMENT: Mr Everingham (Chief Minister), by leave, moved -

That during the present session of the Assembly a committee to be known as the Sessional Committee on the Environment consisting of Mrs N. Padgham-Purich, Mr D.W. Collins, Mr T. Harris, Mr B. Collins and Mrs A.D. Lawrie be appointed.

That the committee be empowered to inquire into and from time to time report upon and make recommendations on all matters relating to uranium mining and processing activities and their effects on the environment within the Alligator Rivers Region.

That the committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, to sit during any adjournment of the Assembly and to adjourn from place to place.

That the committee be empowered to authorize the release of transcripts of evidence taken during public hearings and to publish information pertaining to the Committee's activities from time to time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

16. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - INTRODUCE BILLS WITHOUT NOTICE: Mr Robertson (Minister for Education), by leave, moved -

That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent the introduction of Bills at this sittings without notice.

Question put and passed.

17. JABIRU TOWN DEVELOPMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 29): Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.

Mr Everingham moved -

That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Miss D'Rozario) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

18. UNIVERSITY (INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS) BILL 1980 (Serial 13): Mr Robertson (Minister for Education) presented the Bill which was thereupon 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.

19. LEPROSY AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 6): Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Health) presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.

Mr Tuxworth 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.

20. CRIMINAL LAW CONSOLIDATION AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 12): Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.

Mr Everingham moved -

That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

21. HOUSING AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 14): Mr Robertson (Minister for Lands and Housing) presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.

Mr Robertson moved -

That the Bill be now read a second time.

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



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 3

Thursday 21 August 1980

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1. The Assembly met at 10.00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment - Mr Speaker MacFarlane took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS: Mr Isaacs presented a petition from 21 residents of Millner electorate requesting the development of Crown land in Brayshaw Terrace as park land. Petition received and read.  
Miss D'Rozario presented a petition from 108 residents of the Northern Territory relating to a dust problem in new private subdivisions in the electorate of Sanderson.  
Petition received and read.
3. QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
4. DARWIN CYCLONE TRACY RELIEF TRUST FUND - MONTHLY REPORTS, NOVEMBER 1979 TO JUNE 1980: Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) laid on the Table copies of monthly reports from November 1979 to June 1980.  
Mr Everingham moved -  
That the Assembly take note of the Reports  
and was granted leave to continue his remarks at a later hour.  
Debate adjourned and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later day.
5. MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATOR: Mr Speaker read the following message from His Honour the Administrator:  
*Message No. 1*  
I, JOHN ARMSTRONG ENGLAND, 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 entitled the *Appropriation Bill 1980-81* to provide for the appropriation of certain sums out of the consolidated fund for the service of the year ending on 30 June, 1981.  
Dated this nineteenth day of August 1980.  
(SGD) J.A. ENGLAND  
Administrator
6. STATUTE LAW REVISION BILL 1980 (Serial 11): Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.  
Mr Everingham moved -  
That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Isaacs) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.
7. PUBLIC SERVICE AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 27): Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.  
Mr Everingham moved -  
That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

8. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - THREE BILLS TOGETHER: Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy) moved -

That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent three Bills relating to industrial safety -

- (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 an absolute majority, Mr Speaker declared the question resolved in the affirmative.

9. INDUSTRIAL SAFETY BILLS - EXPLOSIVES AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 7), INSPECTION OF MACHINERY AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 8), and CONSTRUCTION SAFETY AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 10): Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy) presented the Bills which were thereupon read a first time.

Mr Tuxworth moved -

That the Bills be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Miss D'Rozario) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

10. MAGISTRATES AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 23): Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.

Mr Everingham moved -

That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

11. ELECTRICITY COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 24): Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy) presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.

Mr Tuxworth moved -

That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Miss D'Rozario) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

12. APPROPRIATION BILL 1980-81 (Serial 25): Mr Perron (Treasurer) presented the Bill the subject of Message No. 1 from His Honour the Administrator and the Bill was thereupon read a first time.

Mr Perron moved -

That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

13. EDUCATION AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 30): Mr Robertson (Minister for Education) presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.

Mr Robertson moved -

That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

14. PAY-ROLL TAX AMENDMENT BILL 1980 (Serial 26): Mr Perron (Treasurer) presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.

Mr Perron moved -

That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

15. DANGEROUS GOODS BILL 1980 (Serial 9): Mr Tuxworth (Minister for Mines and Energy) presented the Bill which was thereupon read a first time.

Mr Tuxworth moved -

That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Miss D'Rozario) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

. SUSPENSION OF SITTING: The sitting was suspended between 11.49 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.

16. INQUIRY INTO LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR EMPLOYEES IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY - REPORT: Mr Everingham (Chief Minister) laid on the Table the Report of the Inquiry, the transcript of evidence and exhibits tendered to the inquiry and, by leave, made a statement relating to the inquiry.

Mr Everingham moved -

That the Assembly take note of the Report.

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

17. ADDRESS IN REPLY - ADMINISTRATOR'S SPEECH: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Everingham

That the Address be agreed to -

Debate resumed.

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

18. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT: Mr Robertson (Minister for Education) moved -

That the Assembly, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday 18 November 1980, or such other time as set by Mr Speaker under Sessional Order.

Question put and passed.

19. ADJOURNMENT: Mr Dondas (Minister for Transport and Works) moved -

That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

And then the Assembly at 5.18 p.m. adjourned until Tuesday 18 November 1980.

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ATTENDANCE: All members attended the sitting.

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THIRD LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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FIRST SESSION

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