Northern Territory of Australia
Legislative Assembly

Notice Paper
Meeting Number 65
Wednesday 14 October 2026
The Assembly meets at 10.00 am

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Meeting Days

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Assembly Committee Meetings

Public Accounts Committee	12.00 pm Wednesday 14 October	Litchfield Room
Legislative Scrutiny Committee	12.00 pm Thursday 15 October	Litchfield Room
Standing Orders Committee	12.00 pm Thursday 15 October	Ormiston Room
Public Accounts Committee	12.00 pm Wednesday 21 October	Litchfield Room
Legislative Scrutiny Committee	12.00 pm Thursday 22 October	Litchfield Room

Standing and Sessional Orders

Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly and Sessional Orders are available at:
Standing and Sessional Orders – Northern Territory Government – Legislative Assembly

Routine of Business

The order of business pursuant to Standing Order 60.

Tuesday and Thursday:

10.00 am

1. Prayers and Acknowledgement of Country
2. Business of the Assembly (if any)
3. Government Business – Notices and Orders of the Day

2.00 pm

4. Notices
5. Petitions
6. Questions
7. Government Business – Notices and Orders of the Day
8. Papers
9. Responses to Petitions
10. Consideration of Committee Reports, Government Responses and Auditor-General's Reports
11. Debate on Petitions
12. Matter of Public Importance

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8. Government Business
9. Papers

Pursuant to Standing Orders, items that can occur at any time when there is no question before the Assembly (ie between items of business) include messages from the Administrator, personal explanations, ministerial statements, motions for leave of absence or the suspension of Standing Orders, and the tabling of committee reports.

Ministerial Reports

A ministerial report on Beetaloo Gas was notified by the Deputy Chief Minister on 13 October 2026.

Government Business

Notices

1. Weapons Control Legislation Amendment (Legalising Controlled OC Spray) Bill 2026 (Serial 80)

Long title:	A Bill for an Act to amend the *Weapons Control Act 2001* and the *Weapons Control Regulations 2001* and for related purposes
Notice given by:	Mrs Finocchiaro
Date:	13 October 2026
Status:	To be introduced.

Government Business

Orders of the Day

1. **Liquor Amendment Bill 2026 (Serial 71)**
   Long title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Liquor Act 2019* and for related purposes
   Introduced by: Ms Boothby
   Date: 23 July 2026
   Status: Report from the Legislative Scrutiny Committee - second reading to be moved.

2. **Ministerial Report on Safer Schools, Stronger Classrooms**
   Moved by: Mrs Hersey
   Date moved: 21 October 2025
   Status: Resumption of debate on the question that the Assembly take note of the report (26 minutes remaining on debate).
   Spoken: Mrs Hersey, Mr Paech, Mr Howe, My Guyula, Mrs Zio, Mrs Carlson, Ms Uibo.

3. **Ministerial Report on Backing Small Business**
   Moved by: Ms Cahill
   Date moved: 16 October 2025
   Status: Resumption of debate on the question that the Assembly take note of the report (29 minutes remaining on debate).
   Spoken: Ms Cahill, Ms Uibo, Mrs Zio, Mr Yan, Mr O'Gallagher, Mr Kerle, J Davis, Mrs Carlson.

4. **Ministerial Report on Silkwood**
   Moved by: Mr Burgoyne
   Date moved: 3 September 2025
   Status: Resumption of debate on the question that the Assembly take note of the report (42 minutes remaining on debate).
   Spoken: Mr Burgoyne, Mr Young, J Davis, Mr Mackay, Mr Howe, Mr Paech, Ms Boothby, Mrs Carlson, Mr Maley.

5. **Ministerial Report on Asian Relations**
   Moved by: Ms Cahill
   Date moved: 19 March 2025
   Status: Resumption of debate on the question that the Assembly take note of the report (55 minutes remaining on debate).
   Spoken: Ms Cahill, Ms Uibo, Mr O'Gallagher, Mr Howe, Mrs Carlson.

6. **Ministerial Report on an Update on NT Corrections**
   Moved by: Mr Maley
   Date moved: 13 February 2025
   Status: Resumption of debate on the question that the Assembly take note of the report (1 hour and 40 minutes remaining on debate).
   Spoken: Mr Maley.

7. Ministerial Report on 2025 Federal Budget

Moved by: Mr Yan
Date moved: 26 March 2025
Status: Resumption of debate on the question that the Assembly take note of the report (10 minutes remaining on debate).
Spoken: Mr Yan, Ms Uibo, Mr Maley, Mr Edgington, Mr Burgoyne, Mr Paech, Mr Mackay, Ms Boothby, Mrs Zio, Mr Kerle (6 minutes remaining).

8. Ministerial Report on Progress on the Northern Territory Crime Reduction Strategy 2025

Moved by: Mrs Finocchiaro
Date moved: 23 October 2025
Status: Resumption of debate on the question that the Assembly take note of the report (38 minutes remaining on debate).
Spoken: Mrs Finocchiaro, Ms Uibo, Mr Yan, J Davis, Mrs Zio, Mr O'Gallagher.

9. Ministerial Report on Progress on Bail Reform in the Northern Territory

Moved by: Mrs Finocchiaro
Date moved: 19 March 2026
Status: Resumption of debate on the question that the Assembly take note of the report (1 hour and 16 minutes remaining on debate).
Spoken: Mrs Finocchiaro, Ms Boothby, Ms Uibo.

10. Motor Vehicles Legislation Amendment (Digital Licences) Bill 2026 (Serial 74)

Long title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Motor Vehicles Act 1949* and the Motor Vehicles Regulations 1977
Introduced by: Mr Yan
Date moved: 26 August 2026
Status: Second reading made an order of the day after 28 days have lapsed.

11. Marine Facilities (Access and Pricing) Bill 2026 (Serial 78)

Long title: A Bill for an Act to regulate access to, and pricing of, services at certain marine facilities
Introduced by: Mr Yan
Date moved: 26 August 2026
Status: Second reading made an order of the day after 28 days have lapsed.

12. Associations Legislation Amendment Bill 2026 (Serial 72)

Long title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Associations Act 2003*, the Associations Regulations 2004 and for related purposes
Introduced by: Ms Cahill
Date moved: 26 August 2026
Status: Second reading made an order of the day after 28 days have lapsed.

13. National Electricity (Northern Territory) (National Uniform Legislation) Legislation Amendment Bill 2026 (Serial 75)

Long title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *National Electricity (Northern Territory) (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2015* and the National Electricity (Northern Territory) (National Uniform Legislation) (Modification) Regulations 2016
Introduced by: Mr Maley
Date moved: 26 August 2026
Status: Report from the Legislative Scrutiny Committee - second reading to be moved.

14. Environment Legislation Amendment (Safe Air) Bill 2026 (Serial 73)

Long title:	A Bill for an Act to amend the *Environment Protection Act 2019*, the *Trans Territory Pipeline and Blacktip Gas Projects (Special Provisions) Act 2005*, the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998* and the Waste Management and Pollution Control (Administration) Regulations 1998
Introduced by:	Mr Burgoyne
Date moved:	26 August 2026
Status:	Report from the Legislative Scrutiny Committee - second reading to be moved.

15. Lands and Planning Legislation Amendment (Red Tape Reduction) Bill 2026 (Serial 77)

Long title:	A Bill for an Act to amend the *Building Act 1993*, the Building Regulations 1993, the *Place Names Act 1967*, the *Planning Act 1999* and the *Valuation of Land Act 1963* and to repeal the Valuation of Land Regulations 1981 and for related purposes
Introduced by:	Mr Burgoyne
Date moved:	26 August 2026
Status:	Report from the Legislative Scrutiny Committee - second reading to be moved.

General Business

Notices

1. **Racing and Wagering Amendment (Harm Prevention) Bill 2026 (Serial 79)**
   Long title: A Bill for An Act to amend the *Racing and Wagering Act 2024*
   Notice given by: J Davis
   Date: 13 October 2026
   Status: To be introduced.

2. **Moratorium on AI Data Centres Pending Public Inquiry**
   Notice given by: J Davis
   Date: 25 August 2026
   Status: To be moved:

   That the Assembly:
   Calls on the Northern Territory Government to implement a moratorium on all AI data centre developments in the Territory until a public inquiry, established under the Inquiries Act 1945, has properly assessed their impacts on electricity prices, water security, emissions and land use.

3. **Emergency Preparedness**
   Notice given by: Ms Uibo
   Date: 27 August 2026
   Status: To be moved:

   That the Assembly calls on the Assembly to:
   - Recognise the importance of ensuring the Northern Territory is prepared and adequately resourced for emergencies during the current El Nino weather event and the heightened risk of extreme conditions; and
   - ensure appropriate preparedness and response measures are in place, particularly given the upcoming and likely severe bushfire season, exacerbated by the proliferation of buffel and gamba grass; and
   - ensure appropriate support for pastoralists and landholders in preparing for upcoming severe weather events, as well as alert, evacuation and emergency shelter arrangements are in place for remote and regional communities.

4. **Renewable Energy**
   Notice given by: Ms Uibo
   Date: 20 May 2025
   Status: To be moved:

   That the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly:
   1. Urgently invest in renewable energy infrastructure and technology to support the Territory sustainable energy future.
   2. Recommit to the 50 per cent renewable target by 2030, in recognition of the importance of progressing our renewable energy capabilities.
   3. Continue to commit to the Remote Power System Strategy so that 70 per cent of the combined electricity consumed in 72

remote Territory Communities serviced by Indigenous Essential Services (IES) comes from renewable energy by 2030.

5. Public Sector Integrity

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 14 May 2025
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Affirms the critical importance of integrity, transparency, and accountability in the Northern Territory public sector and all levels of government;
2. Acknowledges growing public concern about misconduct, conflicts of interest, and corruption in parts of the NT public sector, whether actual or perceived, and the need to restore trust in government institutions;
3. Notes the current limitations in investigative and enforcement powers available to integrity bodies in the Northern Territory, including but not limited to the Office of the Independent Commissioner Against Corruption (ICAC), particularly in relation to whistleblower protection, transparency of outcomes, and responsiveness and action on complaints;
4. Calls on the Northern Territory Government to:
   a) Strengthen ICAC's independence, powers, and resources to ensure thorough and timely investigations;
   b) Create a cross-party Parliamentary Integrity and Oversight Committee to monitor and report on ethical conduct and integrity issues across government;
   c) Implement a public register of interests for senior public servants, statutory officeholders, and ministerial staff, which will be updated regularly and subject to independent audit;
   d) Introduce a mandatory Code of Conduct for public sector agencies, with clear standards, reporting obligations, and consequences for breaches;
   e) Strengthen whistleblower protections, including anonymous reporting, legal safeguards, and accessible complaint pathways;
   f) Commission an independent review of integrity frameworks across the Territory, including complaints handling, conflict-of-interest management, and procurement practices;
   g) Revise the lobbyist regime to require a public, real-time Register of Lobbyists, including details on lobbyists, Ministers or Members involved, and the matters under consideration, as well as the publication of Ministerial diaries.
5. Commits this Assembly to leading by example by adopting stronger internal accountability measures, improving committee transparency, and ensuring the community has confidence in the integrity of its elected representatives and democratic institutions.

6. Clean Air Act

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 31 July 2025
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

- Recognises the serious health and economic impacts of air pollution in the Northern Territory,
- Notes that Darwin now has the worst air quality in Australia, costing over $100 million annually.
- Calls on the NT Government to develop and implement a Clean Air Act within two years, with enforceable standards, real-time monitoring, and community involvement.

7. Alcohol Action Plan for the Northern Territory

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 12 February 2025 (amended 18 March 2026)
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Acknowledges the alcohol policy initiatives of the current government;
2. Recognises that the drivers of alcohol harm are longstanding and complex, and that the development and implementation of these alcohol policy initiatives must therefore:
   - Be undertaken in genuine partnership with community representatives and sector experts;
   - Include comprehensive strategies for prevention, harm reduction, early intervention, and treatment support;
3. Recognises this Assembly's commitment to shared decision making and therefore commits to ensuring that Aboriginal communities are properly informed and meaningfully engaged in the development of tailored solutions that reflect their specific needs, strengths and concerns;
4. Acknowledges the role of alcohol in exacerbating domestic, family and sexual violence, and prioritises the safety of women and children;
5. Acknowledges that effective alcohol policy must be made in the interests of public health and wellbeing above commercial interests; and
6. Commits to establishing measurable outcomes, long term policy planning and transparent reporting that extend beyond electoral cycles.

8. Crime Soaring in Alice Springs

Notice given by: Ms Uibo
Date: 29 July 2025
Status: To be moved:

That the Assembly condemns the Finocchiaro CLP Government for failing to address the crime crisis in Alice Springs.

9. Population Growth in the Northern Territory

Notice given by: Mr Young
Date: 29 July 2025
Status: To be moved:

That the Assembly:

- Acknowledges the importance of population growth to the Northern Territory's future economic future; and
- Urges the CLP Government to outline its clear plans to grow the Territory population, beyond platitudes and hollow commitments.

10. Secondary Supply of Alcohol

Notice given by: Mr Young
Date: 29 July 2025
Status: To be moved:

That the Assembly:

- Recognise the severe negative impacts of secondary supply of alcohol and illicit substances on communities, residents, homes and businesses; and
- Call on the CLP Government to address the links between health, crime, violence and child protection issues associated with substance abuse.

11. Nighttime Economy Strategy

Notice given by: Mr Young
Date: 29 July 2025
Status: To be moved:

That the Assembly call on the CLP Government to develop and implement a Territory night-time economy strategy which supports and enhances visitor experiences, events and activities and after-hours businesses.

12. Strengthening Mental Health Services for All Territorians

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 27 November 2025
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Notes that while the NT has the Mental Health Strategic Plan 2019–2025 and the 2024–29 Mental Health and Wellbeing Plan, many Territorians, especially in remote, regional and Indigenous communities, still face major gaps in access to culturally safe and timely mental-health support.
2. Acknowledges calls from mental-health advocates for long-term funding, better access to psychosocial support, earlier intervention, and stronger cultural and community-led models of care.
3. Calls on the Government to:
   - fully fund the current plan Territory-wide Mental Health Strategy with a focus on prevention, early intervention and remote accessibility;
   - Expand culturally safe, community-led mental-health services.

4. Commits to targeted consultation and engagement with the Mental Health sector and Lived Experience sectors to ensure the effective implementation of the plan, as per the commitment made at the Health and Mental Health Minister's meeting in June.
5. Report annually on service access, wait times and outcomes across the Territory.

13. Future of Jabiru and the Gove Peninsula

Notice given by: Ms Uibo
Date: 31 July 2025
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Acknowledge the impact of the cessation of mining in both Jabiru and the Gove Peninsula, their local communities, businesses, government services and broader regions.
2. Recognise the need for ongoing Government investment to ensure a strong and sustainable future for both Jabiru and the Gove Peninsula, helping the transition from mining towns to vibrant and sustainable regional services hubs that support thriving communities and diverse economies.

14. Remote Health Access

Notice given by: Mr Brown
Date: 31 July 2025
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

- Acknowledge the importance of improving access to timely, quality and culturally safe patient focused health care across remote areas in the Northern Territory; and
- Condemn the Finocchiaro CLP Government for scrapping the $20 million dollar health centre and morgue designated for the Gunbalanya community.

15. Public Health Approach to Reducing Crime

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 14 October 2025
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly, noting the Government's stated commitment to reducing crime in the Northern Territory, calls on the Government to:

- Recognise that effective and lasting crime reduction requires a public health approach, addressing the root causes of offending, including poverty, housing insecurity, alcohol and drug harm, family violence, and childhood trauma.
- Notes the proven success of this approach in jurisdictions such as Glasgow and Birmingham, where adopting a public health model has led to dramatic and sustained reductions in violent crime.
- Act consistently with the findings of the Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory, which recommended a public health and therapeutic approach to youth justice and child protection.

- Commit to developing and resourcing a Territory-wide Public Health Crime Reduction Strategy, in partnership with Aboriginal organisations, community services, health providers, and local government.
- Report back to this Assembly within 12 months on progress towards developing and implementing this strategy.

16. Banned Drinkers Register Review

Notice given by: Mr Young
Date: 27 November 2025
Status: To be moved:

That the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly:

1. Acknowledge:
   a. The Banned Drinkers Register Review undertaken by the CLP Government's Alcohol Policy Taskforce (the Taskforce), comprising NT Health, Licensing NT, the Department of the Attorney-General and Justice, NT Police, and other subject-matter experts
2. Note:
   a. That the Taskforce, as part of the CLP Government initiated review, has recommended:
      - The use of enforceable undertakings to require on-premises ID scanning for licensees who repeatedly breach their liquor licence conditions.
      - The development of an opt-in system for clubs that choose to participate in on-premises scanning.
      - The broadening of data-sharing arrangements between key agencies to support collaboration, alongside increased training for authorised increased training for authorised persons to improve referral pathways to the Banned Drinkers Register.
   b. That implementing the CLP Government's own Banned Drinkers Register Review was a key election commitment made during the 2024 campaign.
3. Calls on the Minister for Alcohol Policy to provide the Assembly by no later than Thursday 12 March 2026:
   a. A Ministerial Report outlining progress on the implementation of all recommendations arising from the review; and
   b. A timeline for the introduction of any legislation required to give effect to the Taskforce recommendations.

17. Appointments of NT Administrators

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 3 February 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

Calls on the Chief Minister, in response to widespread community concern, to request that the Governor-General review the process of

the Commissions of the general appointments of Administrators of the Northern Territory.

18. Auditor-General Performance Audit Powers

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 4 February 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Recognises that the independence and effectiveness of the Auditor-General are fundamental to public accountability, transparency, and trust in government spending.
2. Notes with concern that the Northern Territory Auditor-General is currently ranked last in Australia for independence, lagging behind every other Australian jurisdiction and international neighbours such as Papua New Guinea and Fiji.
3. Acknowledges that unlike other Australian jurisdictions, the Northern Territory Auditor-General lacks the statutory power to conduct performance audits, which are essential for assessing whether government programs are operating effectively, and efficiently.
4. Notes the urgent calls from the Australasian Council of Auditors-General (ACAG) and the NT Auditor-General for a full rewrite of the Audit Act 1995 to modernise the office's mandate and align it with best practice standards.
5. Calls on the Government to:
   a. Develop and introduce amendments to the Audit Act 1995 to explicitly grant the Auditor-General the power to conduct performance audits, ensuring the office can examine the efficiency and effectiveness of public expenditure, not just financial compliance;
   b. Ensure these amendments provide the Auditor-General with full discretion to exercise a broad audit mandate without interference from the Executive Government; and
   c. Commit to providing adequate and stable funding to the Auditor-General's office to ensure it has the resources necessary to undertake these expanded performance review functions effectively.

19. Transition to a Wellbeing Economy

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 4 February 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Recognises that Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is a limited measure that fails to capture inequality, environmental sustainability, or the true health of our communities, and that an economy should be designed to serve people and the planet, rather than the other way around.
2. Notes the success of international jurisdictions, such as New Zealand, Scotland, and Wales, in adopting wellbeing frameworks that prioritise early intervention and intergenerational equity.
3. Calls on the Government to:
   a. Develop a Territory Wellbeing Framework that moves beyond simple economic metrics to include a dashboard of

indicators measuring social, environmental, and human capital;

b. Implement a 'Wellbeing Budget' process similar to New Zealand, requiring all budget proposals to be assessed on their long-term impact on human health, social cohesion, and climate resilience;
c. Adopt a 'Community Wealth Building' approach to procurement and economic development, ensuring that public spending is retained locally to support Territory jobs and businesses.

20. Investing in Territorians with Disability

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 4 February 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Recognises the importance of foundational supports for people with disability in the Territory and the urgent need to work to reduce the systemic barriers in place.
2. Notes that a significant portion of people with disability in the Northern Territory are eligible for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), but NDIS services are in short supply making many reliant on mainstream and foundational services that are often under-resourced or inaccessible.
3. Acknowledges that Aboriginal people with a disability in the Territory often face "double disadvantage" due to the intersection of disability and discrimination, and that culturally appropriate services are critical for their wellbeing.
4. Recognises the unique challenges of service delivery in rural and remote areas, where "thin markets" and workforce shortages prevent many Territorians from accessing the daily supports they need.
5. Calls on the Government to:
   a. Invest in robust foundational supports outside of the NDIS to ensure that the majority of Territorians with disability who are ineligible for the scheme or cannot access services due to shortages can still access essential assistance, transport, and community participation services;
   b. Commit to increasing the supply of accessible social and affordable housing that meets universal design principles, noting that people with disability are disproportionately affected by the Territory’s housing shortage and overcrowding; and
   c. Support the growth of the Aboriginal community-controlled sector to deliver disability services, ensuring that supports are culturally safe, trauma-informed, and available in remote communities where mainstream NDIS providers are often absent.

21. New Alice Springs Hospital

Notice given by: Mrs Lambley
Date: 5 February 2026
Status: To be moved:

That the NT Government:

Acknowledges that when considering building the next new hospital in the NT, at the very top of the list is a new Alice Springs Hospital; and, that no other NT town or region needs and deserves a modern, new hospital more that Alice Springs and central Australia.

22. Recommitting to the Aboriginal Justice Agreement

Notice given by: Mr Paech
Date: 5 February 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Acknowledges that the Aboriginal Justice Agreement is a cornerstone framework for improving justice outcomes for Aboriginal Territorians through partnership, shared responsibility and community-led solutions.
2. Acknowledges that the long-term justice reform required: Genuine partnership with Aboriginal people, stable and predictable funding, and a commitment to prevention, diversion and community-based responses; and
3. Calls on the Government to publicly recommit to the Aboriginal Justice Agreement beyond 2027 and a guarantee full funding for the agreement for 4 years.

23. Child Safety Standards

Notice given by: Mr Paech
Date: 5 February 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Note that the Northern Territory's commitment to implement recommendations from the Royal Commission in institutional responses to child sexual abuse.
2. Recognise the need to legislate and operationalise child safety standards with an effective oversight mechanism to operationalise enforcement.
3. Affirm the need for undertake further work to build awareness and capacity within the community and organisations to comply with standards to ensure organisations engage children to create a child safe culture, adopt strategies and take action to promote child wellbeing and prevent harm.

24. Housing as a Human Right

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 5 February 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

Recognises housing as a fundamental human right and calls on the Government to fully enact the 'Better Deal for Renters' policy while urgently increasing investment in social and affordable housing and

adopting a ‘Housing First’ approach to ensure secure housing for all Territorians.

25. Impact of Climate Change

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 5 February 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Recognises the warnings from recent research including the Federal Government’s National Climate Risk Assessment (NCRA) that parts of the Northern Territory could become "unliveable" within decades due to "lethal heat".
2. Calls on the Government to:
3. Commit to emissions reduction targets consistent with keeping global warming to 1.5°C, noting that opening huge new fossil fuel reserves such as the Beetaloo Basin is incompatible with a safe, liveable future for the Northern Territory.

26. Youth Services

Notice given by: Mr Brown
Date: 14 May 2025
Status: To be moved:

That the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly recognise the importance of investing in viable and accessible Youth Services across the Northern Territory.

27. Affordable Housing

Notice given by: Mr Paech
Date: 15 May 2025
Status: To be moved:

That the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly:

1. Note that secure, affordable housing is essential for the wellbeing of all Territorians;
2. Recognise the Northern Territory faces a housing crisis, with shortages in urban areas and severe overcrowding in remote communities;
3. Express concern about the Government’s cuts of over $100 million from housing, including urban, remote, government employee housing, and housing in homelands and town camps;
4. Calls on the Government to urgently restore and increase investment in housing infrastructure, ensuring funding for new builds, upgrades, and maintenance;
5. Calls on the Government to deliver on Commonwealth housing programs in full, including the Housing Australia Future Fund and National Housing Accord;
6. Urges the Government to fulfil its commitments to provide safe, sustainable, and culturally appropriate housing across the Territory.

28. Child Placement Principle

Notice given by: Mr Paech
Date: 11 March 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Recognises the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Placement Principle and affirms its importance in ensuring children are raised safely within family, culture and community wherever possible;
2. Embed the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle to the standard of active efforts in legislation;
3. Calls on the Northern Territory Government to provide adequate, ongoing and sustainable funding to properly support kinship carers and foster carers, recognising the critical role they play in caring for vulnerable children;
4. Calls on the Northern Territory Government to mandate priority access to public housing for kinship carers and for families and individuals fleeing domestic and family violence, to ensure safe, stable and appropriate accommodation;
5. Calls on the Northern Territory Government to ensure that Territory parents/carers have access to fully funded, full-time early childhood education and care services, including permanent childcare centres where communities identify the need.

29. CLP Failure to Act on Cost of Living Relief

Notice given by: Ms Uibo
Date: 11 March 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Notes that Territorians are facing escalating cost-of-living pressures, including record rents, rising power bills, high interest rates and unaffordable airfares, with housing and energy costs consuming an increasing share of household incomes;
2. Acknowledges the CLP Government’s failure to deliver promised fuel price reforms, its inaction on airfares, and warnings from local governments that cost-shifting will drive up council rates; and
3. Condemns the CLP Government’s failure to provide meaningful cost-of-living relief and calls on it to immediately deliver action on power prices, fuel pricing transparency, airfares and direct support for families, renters, seniors and young Territorians.

30. Children's Mental Health Support

Notice given by: Mr Paech
Date: 11 March 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Acknowledge the importance of supporting the safe and healthy development of children's mental wellbeing so they have the best opportunities in life.
2. Recognises the role of healthy and respectful relationship education, especially for children who are disengaged from

school or who have child protection or youth justice involvement, or who have unmet learning or disability needs.
3. Condemns the CLP Government's failure to address children's poor mental health outcomes, the rates of child self-harm and/or suicide and the barriers to seeking support.

31. CLP Failure to Act on Housing Shortages

Notice given by: Mr Young
Date: 11 March 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Recognises that the Northern Territory is experiencing acute housing shortages across urban, regional and remote communities, with safe and affordable housing essential to economic and social stability;
2. Notes that the CLP Government has cut the forward infrastructure pipeline, abandoned National Housing Accord targets, reduced public housing maintenance and failed to present a coordinated housing plan; and
3. Condemns the CLP Government’s failure to increase housing supply and protect renters, and calls on it to commit to a comprehensive housing strategy including social and affordable housing, restored infrastructure investment, public housing maintenance and renters reforms.

32. Strengthening Parliamentary Scrutiny and Democratic Processes

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 17 March 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Recognises that, as a unicameral parliament, the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly has a heightened responsibility to ensure transparent, accountable, and well-scrutinised law-making.
2. Notes that effective scrutiny requires adequate information and sufficient time for Members and the public to consider legislation.
3. Notes that in all other unicameral parliaments in Australia, all Bills are routinely referred to a relevant parliamentary

committee for proper scrutiny, yet in the Fifteenth Assembly, the vast majority of Bills have bypassed this essential review.

4. Calls for Standing Orders to be amended to align with minimum standard practice in other Australian unicameral parliaments to:
   a) allow any Member to refer a Bill to the Legislative Scrutiny Committee; and
   b) require all Bills to be accompanied by explanatory material outlining policy objectives, consultation undertaken, costs, and key economic, social and community impacts
5. Refers this matter to the Standing Orders Committee to examine options to strengthen legislative scrutiny and report back to the Assembly by 30 August 2026.

33. Re-introduce Human Rights Compatibility Statements

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 18 March 2026
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Notes that all other Australian unicameral parliament require Human Rights Compatibility Statements for legislation.
2. Recognises that such statements assist Members to understand how legislation interacts with fundamental rights.
3. Calls on the Government to re- introduce a requirement that all Bills presented to the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly include a statement of compatibility with human rights prepared by the Anti-Discrimination Commissioner or the Attorney General.

34. Independent Review of Greyhound Racing

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 6 May 2026
Status: To be moved:

That the Assembly calls on the Government to undertake an independent review of greyhound racing in the Northern Territory, including animal welfare outcomes and public funding of the industry; and on the basis of that review, develop a plan to end public subsidies to the greyhound racing industry, with appropriate support for the dogs, workers, and participants affected.

35. Youth Hub

Notice given by: Mr Brown
Date: 15 May 2025
Status: To be moved:

That the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly:

- Recognise the importance of providing a highly accessible safe place for young people to connect with each other, engage in fun activities and access the support they need; and
- Condemn the Finocchiaro CLP Government for relocating the Youth Hub without proper consultation and without adequately considering the needs of young people of the Northern Suburbs.

36. Biodiversity Laws

Notice given by: Mr Paech
Date: 14 May 2025
Status: To be moved:

That the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly:

1. Recognise the Northern Territory's unique biodiversity—its ecosystems, wildlife and cultural landscapes—and the vital role it plays in our lifestyle heritage, economy and resilience.
2. Notes with concern rising threats to biodiversity, including habitat loss, invasive species, climate change and unsustainable land use.
3. Highlights the current lack of comprehensive biodiversity legislation, leaving protection and management of our natural assets inadequate.
4. Commends local communities, Traditional Owners, and environmental organisations for their advocacy and stewardship.
5. Calls on the CLP Government to:
    - Develop and introduce robust biodiversity laws that:
        - Protect native species and threatened habitats.
        - Prevent and control invasive species.
        - Promote sustainable land and water use alongside economic development.
        - Embed Aboriginal cultural landscapes and traditional knowledge in management.
    - Consult transparently with Traditional Owners, land councils, scientists, conservation groups, pastoralists and industry.
    - Allocate sufficient funding and resources for implementation, monitoring and enforcement.
    - Set clear, measurable targets aligned with national and international conservation goals.
6. Urges the Government to show leadership in safeguarding our natural heritage so future Territorians can continue to enjoy the landscapes that define our region.

37. Wellbeing of Future Generations

Notice given by: J Davis
Date: 27 March 2025
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

1. Acknowledge that young people today are the first generation in modern history to be worse off than their parents. We are leaving our children a far harder world to flourish in than the one we inherited. We need to have long term solutions that we know will protect our children's future.
2. Takes action to create long-lasting protections for the next generations of Northern Territorians by establishing a select committee to investigate and report on the creation of a Wellbeing of Future Generations Bill, that:
    2.1. Requires that intergenerational equity and wellbeing be considered and promoted in all government and public decision-making.
    2.2. Imposes a responsibility on government and public bodies to consider the long-term impact of their decisions.
    2.3. Requires a Statement of Compatibility with the provisions and objects of the Bill to be completed for Bills which are put before the Parliament.

2.4. Establishes an independent officer, or appoints an existing public officer, to oversee compliance and conduct investigations regarding the Bill to ensure that its object are achieved.

2.5. Conducts a comprehensive community consultation across the Territory to gather input for the creation of the Bill.

3. That the committee be composed of two members from the government, two from the opposition, and two from the crossbench to be nominated in writing to the Speaker by the relevant Whip or crossbench member, with the chair being a non-government member.

4. That the committee be able to report to the Assembly periodically, but must deliver its final report with recommendations within 12 months of this resolution.

38. Healthcare Providers

Notice given by: Mr Young
Date: 20 May 2025
Status: To be moved:

That the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly:

1. Recognise the importance of individual choice in accessing public and private healthcare services across the Northern Territory, and the critical role choice plays in ensuring timely, quality, and accessible care for Territorians.
2. Recognise that preserving and expanding choice between public and private providers allows Territories to make decisions that best suit their medical needs, financial circumstances, and personal preferences.
3. Urge the Finocchiaro CLP Government to:
   - Work with healthcare stakeholders and the Federal Government to maintain and encourage access to private healthcare options across the Northern Territory; and
   - Support the growth and sustainability of private healthcare providers in the Territory.

39. Health Services for all Territorians

Notice given by: Mr Paech
Date: 13 October 2026
Status: To be moved:

That the Assembly calls on the CLP Government to:

- Establish clear and Territory-wide health service standards, improve regional and remote access, strengthen preventative care, and support culturally safe community-controlled health services.

40. Health Workforce

Notice given by: Ms Uibo
Date: 13 October 2026
Status: To be moved:

That the Assembly calls on the CLP Government to:

- Develop a Territory-wide Health Workforce Strategy addressing recruitment, retention workforce shortages, staff safety, excessive workloads and reliance on short-term agency staff.

41. Health Infrastructure Masterplan

Notice given by: Mr Smelt
Date: 13 October 2026
Status: To be moved:

That the Assembly calls on the CLP Government to:

- Develop a costed, ten-year Territory Health Infrastructure Masterplan covering hospitals, aged care, remote clinics, specialist services, workforce housing and ambulance infrastructure.

General Business

Orders of the Day

1. Eradicating Racism

Moved by: Mr Guyula
Date moved: 21 May 2025
Date interrupted: 21 May 2025
Status: Debate interrupted on the motion that the Legislative Assembly:

1. Affirms the NT's obligation to prevent racism and racial discrimination under the positive duty law, and calls for system-wide action aligned with the Aboriginal Justice Agreement.
2. Urges the co-design of an NT Anti-Racism Strategy grounded in the National Anti-Racism Framework in full alignment with the Aboriginal Justice Agreement.

Amendment: Ms Boothby moved the following amendment:

That this Assembly:

1. Acknowledges the harm caused by all forms of racism whether based on race, ethnicity, culture or religion across the Northern Territory.
2. Recognises the Government's role in preventing discrimination and supporting the Territory's harmonious multicultural community.
3. Calls on all Territorians to stand up and call out racism when it occurs.

Spoken: J Davis, Mr Charls, Mr Young, Dr Rahman, Mr O'Gallagher

Amendment: Ms Cahill moved the following amendment to the amendment:

To insert after ''that'', the following words:

the motion be amended to Omit all words after ''That'' and insert instead that

Spoken: K McNamara, Mr Patel, Mr Brown, Mr Carlson, Mr Kerle

Amendment: Ms Uibo moved that:

the Member for Port Darwin's amendment be amended to omit the words "omit all words and that and insert instead" and insert instead "insert after".

Spoken: Mrs Hersey

2. Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence

Moved by: J Davis
Date moved: 30 July 2025
Date interrupted: 30 July 2025
Status: Debate interrupted on the motion that the Assembly:

1. Recognises that all members of this Assembly have firmly committed to addressing Domestic, and sexual violence (DFSV) as a priority.

2. Acknowledges that domestic, family and sexual violence is our true crime and safety crisis, and that this crisis disproportionately impacts Aboriginal women in the Northern Territory.
3. Recognises the findings of the "Coronial Inquests into the deaths of Kumarnjayi Rabuntja, Kumanjayi Haywood, Miss Yunupingu and Ngeygo Ragurrk', which highlight urgent reforms needed to protect Aboriginal women and children from domestic, family and sexual violence, and ensure victims are seen and heard;
4. Commits to fully resourcing and implementing all recommendations of the Coroner arising from these Inquests as a matter of urgency;
5. Directs the Attorney General to provide a report to this Assembly on an update to the implementation progress on the recommendations after 6, 12 and 18 months.
6. Further commits to working in partnership with Aboriginal communities and frontline services to ensure effective implementation of these reforms.

This Assembly stands united in addressing the domestic, family and sexual violence crime and safety crisis, and ensuring all women and children are safe, protected, and supported.

Spoken: J Davis

3. Investing in Territory Roads

Moved by: Mr Young
Date moved: 15 October 2025
Date interrupted: 15 October 2025
Status: Debate interrupted on the motion that the Assembly:

That the NT Legislative Assembly recognise the importance of investing in the regional and remote road network across the Territory, to drive economic development and improve connectivity, flood immunity, safety and access for all Territorians.

Spoken: Mr Young, Mr Yan, Mr Guyula, Mr Howe, Ms Uibo.

4. Economic Value of the Regions

Moved by: Ms Uibo
Date moved: 22 October 2025
Date interrupted: 22 October 2025
Status: Debate interrupted on the motion that the NT Legislative Assembly:

- Recognise the importance of the Northern Territory's regions and their role in developing the Territory economy; and
- Recognise and support their plans for economic growth.

Spoken: Mr Yan, Mr Paech, Mr Charls, Mr Guyula, Mrs Hersey, Ms Cahill, Mr O'Gallagher, Mr Mackay, Mr Edgington, Mr Young.

5. A Budget That Fails Territorians

Moved by: Ms Uibo
Date moved: 6 May 2026
Date interrupted: 6 May 2026
Status: Debate interrupted on the motion:

That the Assembly condemns the Finocchiaro CLP Government for delivering a Budget that completely fails Territorians, delivering no real cost of living relief, no pipeline of infrastructure works, no plan to support the growth and prosperity of critical job-creating sectors, and no economic vision for the future of the Northern Territory.

Spoken: Dr Rahman, Mr Brown.

Amendment: Mr Yan moved that the motion be amended by omitting all words after 'That this Assembly' and inserting:

> condemns Labor for its legacy of debt, delay and decline, and for leaving the CLP Government to clean up the mess, restore fiscal discipline, rebuild the economy, and deliver the practical relief, infrastructure and jobs Territorians deserve.

Spoken: Mr O'Gallagher, Mr Paech, Mrs Zio, J Davis, Dr Rahman, Mr Smelt, Mr Howe.

6. Central Australia Economy

Moved by: Ms Uibo
Date moved: 6 May 2026
Date interrupted: 6 May 2026
Status: To be moved:

> That the Assembly calls on the Finocchiaro CLP Government to work with the community and businesses of Alice Springs to develop a strong economic vision for the town to inspire and generate business confidence and certainty.

Spoken: Ms Uibo (21 minutes remaining)

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Mr Brian O'Gallagher

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Mrs Oly Carlson
Mr Matthew Kerle
Mrs Laurie Zio

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Mr Andrew Mackay – Government
Mr Chansey Paech – Opposition

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House Committee
Mr Manuel Brown, Mrs Robyn Lambley (Chair), Mr Matthew Kerle (Deputy Chair), Mr Khoda Patel, Dr Tanzil Rahman.

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
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Mrs Laurie Zio (Chair).

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Public Accounts Committee
Justine Davis, Mr Clinton Howe (Chair), Mr Brian O'Gallagher, Mr Ed Smelt, Mrs Laurie Zio (Deputy Chair).

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