

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 10

Tuesday 4 December 2012

1. **MEETING:**
The Assembly met at 10am. The Speaker, the Honourable Kezia Purick, took the Chair.
2. **PRAYERS.**
3. **MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR No. 3:**
The Speaker advised Members of receipt of the following Message from Her Honour the Administrator (Paper 163):

Message No. 3 - Assent to Proposed Laws

Assent to Proposed Laws

I, SALLY THOMAS AM, the Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia, advise the Legislative Assembly of, pursuant to section 7 of the *Northern Territory (Self-Government Act) 1978* of the Commonwealth, the assent to the following proposed law:

21 November 2012

Evidence (National Uniform Legislation) (Consequential Amendments) Act 2012 (**Act No 23 of 2012**)

Dated 29 November 2012.

SALLY THOMAS AM
Administrator (Paper 163)

4. **ROUTINE OF BUSINESS, ORDER OF BUSINESS - TREASURER'S MINI BUDGET SPEECH 2012 – MOTION AGREED TO:**
The Leader of Government Business (Mr Elferink), by leave, moved – That the Routine of Business of the Assembly, Government Business - Notices and Orders of the Day, be rearranged or suspended, if a question or debate is before the Chair, so as to permit the Treasurer to deliver the Mini Budget 2012 at 11am this day.
Debate ensued.
Question – put and passed.
5. **ROUTINE OF BUSINESS, ORDER OF BUSINESS - LEADER OF OPPOSITION RESPONSE TO MINI BUDGET 2012 – MOTION AGREED TO:**
The Leader of Government Business (Mr Elferink), by leave, moved - That the Routine of Business of the Assembly, Government Business - Notices and Orders of the Day, be rearranged or suspended, if a question or debate is before the Chair, so as to permit a response to the Mini Budget 2012 by the Leader of the Opposition at 11am on Wednesday 5 December 2012.
Question - put and passed.
6. **QUESTIONS:**
10.04am Ms Lawrie to Mr Mills.
10.05am Mr Higgins to Mr Mills.
10.08am Ms Lawrie to Mr Mills.
10.10am Mr Styles to Mr Mills.
10.13am Ms Lawrie to Mrs Lambley.
10.14am Mrs Price to Mrs Lambley.
10.18am Ms Lawrie to Mrs Lambley.

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10.20am	Ms Lee to Mr Mills.
10.23am	Mr Wood to Mr Mills.
10.25am	Ms Lawrie to Mrs Lambley.
10.26am	Ms Lawrie to Mrs Lambley supplementary.
10.26am	Ms Lawrie to Mr Mills.
10.29am	Ms Lee to Mr Elferink.
10.36am	Mr Kurrupuwu to Mr Elferink.
10.37am	Ms Lawrie to Mrs Lambley
10.37am	Ms Finocchiaro to Mr Tollner.
10.41am	Ms Lawrie to Mr Mills.
10.44am	Mr Wood to Mr Mills.
10.47am	Mr Kurrupuwu to Mr Chandler.
10.50am	Ms Lawrie to Mr Mills.
10.53am	Mrs Price to Mr Conlan.
10.56am	Ms Lawrie to Mr Mills.

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Elferink) asked that further questions be placed on the Written Question Paper.

7. **MEDIA COVERAGE OF MINI BUDGET 2012/2013 – STATEMENT BY SPEAKER:**
The Speaker advised Members that permission had been given to the Northern Territory News to take photographs and ABC and Sky News to film the presentation of the Mini Budget 2012/2013 today.
8. **MINI-BUDGET 2012/2013 – PAPER TABLED - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT – MOTION TO NOTE PAPER AND STATEMENT:**
Mrs Lambley made a statement relating thereto.
The Treasurer (Mrs Lambley) presented the Mini-Budget 2012/2013 (Paper 164).
Mrs Lambley moved – That the Assembly take note of the Statement and Paper.
On the motion of the Leader of the Opposition (Ms Lawrie) debate was adjourned.
9. **REVENUE AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2012 (Serial 17):**
The Treasurer (Mrs Lambley), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the legislation administered by the Treasurer and the *Motor Vehicles (Fees and Charges) Regulations* (Paper 165).
Bill read a first time.
Mrs Lambley moved – That the Bill be now read a second time and was granted leave to continue her remarks at a later hour.
Debate adjourned.
10. **CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT (ASSAULTS ON WORKERS) BILL 2012 (Serial 11):**
The Attorney-General and Minister for Justice (Mr Elferink), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal code and make related and consequential amendments to other Acts.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Elferink moved – That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Paper tabled: Mr Elferink laid on the Table the following Paper –
 - Explanatory Statement, Criminal Code Amendment (Assaults on Workers) Bill 2012 (Paper 166).

On the motion of the Member for Nhulunbuy (Ms Walker) debate was adjourned.
11. **CLASSIFICATION OF PUBLICATIONS, FILMS AND COMPUTER GAMES AMENDMENT BILL 2012 (Serial 2):**
The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of debate on the question – That the Bill be now read a second time –
Debate resumed.
Debate suspended.

Suspension of sittings: The sittings of the Assembly was suspended between 12 Noon and 2pm.

12. NOTICES:

The following notices were given –

Ms Lambley: To move - That so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Revenue and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 (Serial 17) passing through all stages this sittings period.

Mr Elferink: To move - That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Bills titled Bail Amendment Bill 2012 (Serial 13) and Domestic and Family Violence Amendment Bill 2012 (Serial 14) -

(a) being presented and read a first time together and one motion being put in regard to, respectively, the second readings; the committee's report stage; and the third readings of the Bills together; and

(b) the consideration of the Bills separately in the committee of the whole.

Mr Elferink: To present the Bail Amendment Bill 2012 (Serial 13).

Mr Elferink: To present the Domestic and Family Violence Amendment Bill 2012 (Serial 14).

Mr Elferink: To present the Justice Legislation Amendment (Age of Retirement) Bill 2012 (Serial 15).

Mr Elferink: To present the Evidence (National Uniform Legislation) Amendment Bill 2012 (Serial 16).

13. CLASSIFICATION OF PUBLICATIONS, FILMS AND COMPUTER GAMES AMENDMENT BILL 2012 (Serial 2):

The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of debate, suspended earlier this day, on the question – That the Bill be now read a second time – Debate resumed.

Distinguished visitor: The Speaker Ms Purick advised Members of the presence in the Speaker's Gallery of Mr Mike Reed, former Deputy Chief Minister of the Legislative Assembly.

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

Debate continued.

Visitors: The Speaker advised Members of the presence in the public gallery of Kormilda College Year 9 students.

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

Debate continued.

Question – put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for a motion for the third reading of the Bill to be moved forthwith.

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

14. MINI-BUDGET 2012/2013 – MOTION TO NOTE STATEMENT AND PAPER:

The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of debate on the question – That the Assembly take note of the Statement and Paper –

Debate resumed.

Extension of time: On the motion of the Member for Katherine (Mr Westra van Holthe) the Member for Blain (Mr Mills) was granted an extension of time, pursuant to Standing Order 77.

Debate continued.

Extension of time: On the motion of the Member for Araluen (Mrs Lambley) the Member for Katherine (Mr Westra van Holthe) was granted an extension of time, pursuant to Standing Order 77.

Debate continued.

Extension of time: On the motion of the Member for Drysdale (Ms Finocchiaro) the Member for Brennan (Mr Chandler) was granted an extension of time, pursuant to Standing Order 77.

Debate continued.

Extension of time: On the motion of the Member for Braitling (Mr Giles) the Member for Sanderson (Mr Styles) was granted an extension of time, pursuant to Standing Order 77.

Debate continued.

Extension of time: On the motion of the Member for Arnhem (Ms Lee) the Member for Fong Lim (Mr Tollner) was granted an extension of time, pursuant to Standing Order 77.

Debate continued.

On the motion of the Leader of Government Business (Mr Elferink) debate was adjourned.

15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT - STATEMENT NOTED:

The Leader of Government Business (Mr Elferink), by leave, was granted permission to have called on forthwith the resumption of debate on the motion relating to the noting of the Local Government Statement.

The Order of the Day having been read of the resumption of debate on the motion - That the Assembly take note of the Statement –

Debate resumed.

Question – put and passed.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

And the Assembly adjourned at 6.33pm, until Wednesday 5 December 2012 at 10am.

PAPERS:

There were no papers deemed to have been presented on 4 December 2012.

ATTENDANCE:

All Members attended the sittings.