



NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
NOTICE PAPER
MEETING NUMBER 78
TUESDAY 12 MARCH 2019
THE ASSEMBLY MEETS AT 10.00

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<i>March – 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21</i>	
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PROGRAM FOR ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

This is the program of meetings as approved by the Legislative Assembly on 24 August 2017. The program is subject to change.

Tuesday and Thursday:

1. 10:00
Prayers and Acknowledgement of Country
Ministerial Reports
2. Government Business – Notices and Orders of the Day
3. 14:00
Notices
Petitions
Questions
4. Government Business – Notices and Orders of the Day
5. Ministerial Policy Statements and Forecasts
6. Papers
7. Consideration of Committee Reports, Government Responses and Auditor-General's Reports
8. Debates on Petitions and Responses to Petitions
9. Discussion pursuant to Standing Order 66 (Matter of Public Importance)

Wednesday if committees meeting

1. 14:00
Prayers and Acknowledgement of Country
Notices
Petitions
Questions
2. General Business – Notices and Orders of the Day
3. 19:00
Government Business

Wednesday if committees not meeting

1. 10:00
Prayers and Acknowledgement of Country
Ministerial Reports
2. Government Business – Notices and Orders of the Day
3. 14:00
Notices
Petitions
Questions
4. General Business – Notices and Orders of the Day
5. 19:00
Government Business

The Assembly meets on Wednesdays at 10:00, except where a Chair of one or more of the Social Policy Scrutiny Committee, Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee and/or Public Accounts Committee has advised the Speaker by 14:00 on the preceding Tuesday that the Committee/s will meet on the next Wednesday morning to enable them to conduct business.

PROGRAM FOR ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

As advised by Committee Office

BUSINESS OF THE ASSEMBLY

Notices

1. Motion of no confidence

Notice Given: Mr Higgins

Date: 12 February 2019

Status: To be moved on 12 March 2019:

That the Assembly, pursuant to section 24(1)(a) of the *Electoral Act*, expresses that the Government no longer possesses the confidence of the Assembly

Orders of the Day

1. Scrutiny Committee Report on Medical Services Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 75)
2. Scrutiny Committee Report on Health Services Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 71)
3. Scrutiny Committee Report on Liquor Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 74)
4. Scrutiny Committee Report on Electoral Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 72)
5. Scrutiny Committee Report on Public Information Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 77)
6. Scrutiny Committee Report on Petroleum Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 76)
7. Scrutiny Committee Report on Motor Accidents (Compensation) Amendment Bill 2019 (Serial 78)
8. Scrutiny Committee Report on Water Amendment Bill 2019 (Serial 80)
9. Scrutiny Committee Report on Teacher Registration (Northern Territory) Legislation Amendment Bill 2019 Serial 79

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

The order below in this category can be changed at any time before 10am on the next Meeting Day.

Orders of the Day

1. Ministerial Policy Statement on Putting Territorians First: Motion to Note

Introduced by: Mr Gunner (Chief Minister)
Date introduced: 12 February 2019
Status: Debate suspended on the motion – that the Assembly take note of the Statement (adjourned by Ms Fyles on 14 February 2019)
Spoken: Mr Gunner, Ms Manison, Mr McCarthy, Ms Moss, Sievers, Mr Wood, Ms Wakefield, Mr McConnell, Ms Nelson, Ms Uiho.

2. Ministerial Policy Statement on Bringing Back the Arafura Games: Motion to Note

Portfolio Minister: Ms Fyles (Minister for Arafura Games)
Introduced by: Mr Vowles
Date introduced: 1 November 2018
Status: Debate suspended on the motion – that the Assembly take note of the Statement (adjourned by Mr McCarthy on 1 November 2018)
Spoken: Mr Vowles, Mr Mills, Mr Higgins, Ms Manison, Mrs Worden, Mr Wood, Ms Moss, Mr Sievers, Mr Kirby, Ms Wakefield, Ms Uiho.

3. Ministerial Policy Statement on Building Territory Jobs: Motion to Note

Introduced by: Mr Gunner (Chief Minister)
Date introduced: 06 February 2018
Status: Debate suspended on the motion – that the Assembly take note of the Statement (adjourned by Ms Lawler on 06 February 2018)
Spoken: Mr Gunner, Ms Fyles, Mr Higgins, Mr McCarthy, Ms Manison, Mr Vowles, Ms Lawler, Mr Guyula, Ms Wakefield, Ms Ah Kit, Mrs Worden.

4. Ministerial Policy Statement on Northern Territory Population Growth Strategy 2018-2028: Motion to Note

Introduced by: Mr Gunner (Chief Minister)
Date introduced: 23 August 2018
Status: Debate Suspended on the motion – that the Assembly take note of the Statement.
Spoken: Mr Gunner, Mr Higgins (leave granted to continue remarks at a later time).

- 5. Treasurer's Mid-Year Report 2016-2017: Motion to Note**
Introduced by: Ms Manison (Treasurer)
Date introduced: 29 November 2016
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion - that the Assembly take note of the Report (adjourned by Ms Fyles on 29 November 2016)
Spoken: Ms Manison
- 6. OmbudsmanNT, Investigation Report, Women in Prison II – Alice Springs Women's Correctional Facility, May 2017: Motion to Note**
Introduced by: Mr Gunner (Chief Minister)
Date introduced: 22 August 2017
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion - that the Assembly take note of the Report (adjourned by Ms Fyles on 22 August 2017)
Spoken: Mr Gunner
- 7. Office of The Children's Commissioner Northern Territory, Own Initiative Investigation Report Services provided by Territory Families and carer FC to C2 and C1, C3, C4 and C5 – Redacted Final Report, 14 February 2018: Motion to Note**
Introduced by: Ms Fyles (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice)
Date introduced: 9 May 2018
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion - that the Assembly take note of the Report (adjourned by Ms Fyles on 9 May 2018)
Spoken: Ms Fyles, Ms Wakefield
- 8. Office of the Children's Commissioner Northern Territory, Own Initiative Investigation Report into the Circumstances Surrounding the Alleged Sexual Assault on C1 and Services Provided to the WF, Final Report 2 May 2018: Motion to Note**
Introduced by: Ms Fyles (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice)
Date introduced: 9 May 2018
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion - that the Assembly take note of the Report (adjourned by Ms Fyles on 9 May 2018)
Spoken: Ms Fyles, Ms Wakefield
- 9. Remuneration Tribunal Report and Determination Number 1 of 2018: Motion to Note**
Introduced by: Ms Fyles (Leader of Government Business)
Date introduced: 23 August 2018
Status: Debate Suspended on the motion – that the Assembly take note of the report.
Spoken: Ms Fyles (leave granted to continue remarks at a later time).
- 10. Treasurer's Mid-Year Report 2017-2018: Motion to Note**
Introduced by: Ms Manison (Treasurer)
Date introduced: 25 October 2018
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion - that the Assembly take note of the Report (adjourned by Ms Fyles on 25 October 2018)
Spoken: Ms Manison

- 11. Evaluation of the Operations of the Northern Territory Container Deposit Scheme, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, 20 August 2018: Motion to Note**
Introduced by: Ms Moss (Minister for Tourism)
Date introduced: 30 October 2018
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion - that the Assembly take note of the Report (adjourned by Ms Fyles on 30 October 2018)
Spoken: Ms Moss, Mr Wood.
- 12. Agents and Land Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 57)**
Long Title: A Bill for an Act to reform the governance of the Fidelity Fund under the *Agents Licensing Act*, to reform the process for amending the by-laws of bodies corporate under the *Termination of Unit Plans and Unit Title Schemes Act*, the *Unit Title Schemes Act* and the *Unit Titles Act*, and for related purposes
Introduced by: Ms Fyles
Date introduced: 15 August 2018
Status: Report received from Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee. To be moved that the bill be read a second time.
- 13. Licensed Surveyors Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 66)**
Long Title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Licensed Surveyors Act*
Introduced by: Ms Fyles
Date introduced: 24 October 2018
Status: Report received from Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee. To be moved that the bill be read a second time
- 14. Criminal Code Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 69)**
Long Title: A Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code
Introduced by: Ms Fyles
Date introduced: 31 October 2018
Status: Report received from Social Policy Scrutiny Committee. To be moved that the bill be read a second time
- 15. Medical Services Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 75)**
Long Title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Medical Services Act 1982*
Introduced by: Ms Fyles
Date referred: 28 November 2018
Date to be reported: 12 March 2018
Status: Referred to Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee
- 16. Health Services Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 71)**
Long Title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Health Services Act*
Introduced by: Ms Fyles
Date referred: 28 November 2018
Date to be reported: 12 March 2018
Status: Referred to Social Policy Scrutiny Committee
- 17. Liquor Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 74)**
Long Title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Liquor Act*
Introduced by: Ms Fyles
Date referred: 28 November 2018
Date to be reported: 12 March 2018
Status: Referred to Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee

- 18. Treasurer's Mid-Year Report 2018-2019: Motion to Note**
 Introduced by: Ms Manison (Treasurer)
 Date introduced: 28 November 2018
 Status: Debate Suspended on the motion – that the Assembly take note of the report.
 Spoken: Ms Manison (leave granted to continue remarks at a later time)
- 19. Electoral Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 72)**
 Long Title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Electoral Act*, the *Electoral Regulations* and the *Local Government (Electoral) Regulations*
 Introduced by: Mr Gunner
 Date referred: 29 November 2018
 Date to be reported: 12 March 2018
 Status: Referred to Social Policy Scrutiny Committee
- 20. Public Information Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 77)**
 Long Title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Public Information Act* and the *Public Information Regulations*
 Introduced by: Mr Gunner
 Date referred: 29 November 2018
 Date to be reported: 12 March 2018
 Status: Referred to Social Policy Scrutiny Committee
- 21. Petroleum Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 (Serial 76)**
 Long Title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Petroleum Act* and the *Petroleum (Environment) Regulations*
 Portfolio Minister: Mr Kirby
 Introduced by: Mr Vowles
 Date referred: 29 November 2018
 Date to be reported: 12 March 2018
 Status: Referred to Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee
- 22. Motor Accidents (Compensation) Amendment Bill 2019 (Serial 78)**
 Long Title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Motor Accidents (Compensation) Act 1979*
 Introduced by: Ms Manison
 Date referred: 13 February 2019
 Date to be reported: 7 May 2019
 Status: Referred to Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee
- 23. Water Amendment Bill 2019 (Serial 80)**
 Long Title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Water Act 1992*
 Introduced by: Ms Lawler
 Date referred: 13 February 2019
 Date to be reported: 7 May 2019
 Status: Referred to Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee
- 24. Teacher Registration (Northern Territory) Legislation Amendment Bill 2019 (Serial 79)**
 Long Title: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Teacher Registration (Northern Territory) Act 2004* and the *Teacher Registration (Northern Territory) Regulations 2004*
 Introduced by: Ms Uibo
 Date referred: 14 February 2019
 Date to be reported: 7 May 2019
 Status: Referred to Social Policy Scrutiny Committee

GENERAL BUSINESS

Notices

1. **Agribusiness**

Notice Given: Mr Higgins
Date: 25 October 2018
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

- recognises that the agribusiness sector is a critical part of the Northern Territory Economy;
- notes with concern a number of future policy decisions will have a detrimental impact on this sector; and
- calls on the Government to complete a Strategic Plan in consultation with the sector

2. **Infrastructure Program Underspend**

Notice Given: Mrs Finocchiaro
Date: 27 November 2018
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

- recognises the importance of certainty to business investment decisions;
- acknowledges that the Government's infrastructure program is a very significant economic spend and supports hundreds of Territorians;
- understands that Construction is one of the Territories largest employers; and
- calls on the Government to publish accurate, timely and correct information in relation to the infrastructure program

3. **Marketing the Territory**

Notice Given: Mr Higgins
Date: 27 November 2018
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

- recognises the importance of attracting major film productions to the Territory;
- calls on Government to make the Territory the world's most attractive location to film or produce a movie; and
- calls on Government to benchmark the incentives on offer to the film industry domestically and internationally

4. ICT Industry

Notice Given:

Date:

Status:

Mrs Finocchiaro

27 November 2018

To be moved:

That this Assembly:

- recognises the importance of the ICT industry to the Territory economy;
- acknowledges the capacity and capability of the Territory ICT industry; and
- calls on the Government to commit to a contestability study for Government ICT contracts awarded Calls on Government to provide additional support to local ICT businesses

5. Boat Ramps

Notice Given:

Date:

Status:

Mr Higgins

27 November 2018

To be moved:

That this Assembly:

- recognises the importance of boat ramps as being as an essential piece of recreational fishing infrastructure;
- calls on Government to conduct an audit of all recreational fishing infrastructure across the Territory; and
- acknowledges that access to quality, safe, reliable boat ramps is an essential part of our unique Territory lifestyle

6. Logistics

Notice Given:

Date:

Status:

Mr Higgins

27 November 2018

To be moved:

That this Assembly:

- recognises the importance of wealth enabling public sector investment in transport infrastructure;
- acknowledges that secure, reliable, modern transport infrastructure is essential to diversify and grow the economy; and
- calls on Government to investigate non-traditional financing methods when considering future transport infrastructure investment

7. Community-led schools

Notice Given: Mr Guyula
Date: 14 February 2019
Status: To be moved:

That this Assembly:

- Urge Government to discontinue its policy of using truancy officers to fine parents in communities where children have not attended school; and
- Urge the Government to implement its policy of community-led schools and work with community members to identify what barriers exist for children in attending school - and implement changes identified by communities to remove barriers to education for all children.

Orders of the Day

1. Crime and Justice

Notice Given: Mr Higgins
Date: 14 August 2018
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion:

That this Assembly:

- expresses continuing concern over the levels of crime and ant-social behaviour in the Territory; particularly youth crime;
- recognises the paramount importance of solutions for youth engagement and rehabilitation;
- acknowledges the importance of functioning families in raising children; and
- implores the Government to place the current safety of every Territorian, their families and businesses at the centre of decision making

Spoken: Mr Wood, Ms Manison, Mr McConnell,
Mrs Finocchiaro, Mr Paech.

2. Mineral Resources Industry in the NT

Notice Given: Mr Higgins
Date: 8 May 2018
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion:

That this Assembly:

- recognises the important contribution of the mineral resources sector to the Territory economy;
- acknowledges that the mineral resource industry is a global industry and that the market for capital and labour is competitive; and
- calls on the Government to scrap the hybrid mining royalty regime proposed in Budget 18/19.

Ms Manison moved the following amendment on 22 August 2018:

Remove all words after 'that' and replace with:

- recognises the important contribution of the mineral resources sector to the Territory economy; and
- acknowledges that the mineral resource industry is a global industry and that the market for capital and labour is competitive.

Spoken: Mr Higgins, Ms Manison, Mr Wood, Mr Collins (11 Minutes remaining)

3. Government Budget Cuts

Notice Given: Mrs Finocchiaro (moved by Mr Higgins)
Date: 31 October 2018
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion (adjourned by Mr Higgins on 31 October 2018)

That this Assembly calls on the Government to adequately resource frontline services commensurate with demand

Spoken: Mr Higgins, Ms Manison.

4. Palmerston Regional Hospital

Notice Given: Mrs Finocchiaro
Date: 25 October 2018
Status: Debate Suspended on the motion

That this Assembly:

- welcomes the opening of the new Palmerston Regional Hospital;
- notes with concern the number of issues which have seemingly plagued the hospital's build; and
- calls on the Government to implement and release an evaluation of the project's execution

Spoken: Mrs Finocchiaro, Ms Fyles (2 minutes remaining).

5. Fiscal Crisis

Notice Given: Mrs Finocchiaro (moved by Mr Higgins)
Date: 13 February 2019
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion

That this Assembly:

1. recognises that the Northern Territory is in a fiscal crisis based on its 'Plan for Budget Repair' dated 14 December 2018;
2. acknowledges that this crisis transcends the party divide;
3. takes responsibility as a whole to address the dire state of the Northern Territory finances.

Ms Manison moved the following amendment on 13 February 2019:

Remove all words after 'That this Assembly' and replace with:

1. recognise that the Northern Territory has budget challenges due to a number of factors - including an annual Commonwealth GST reduction of \$500 million and a \$867 million deficit identified in the 2016 PEFO - and is addressing this through its 'Plan for Budget Repair' dated 14 December 2018;
2. acknowledges that this Assembly must work together to create jobs and deliver generational change because this is crucial to budget repair;
3. continues to take responsibility to address budget challenges through the Plan for Budget Repair final report and the root and branch review of programs that will be incorporated in Budget 2019.

Spoken: Mr Higgins, Ms Manison. Mrs Lambley, Mr Paech, Mr Guyula, Mr Collins, McConnell, Ms Nelson, Mr Mills, Mrs Worden, Mr Wood, Mr Sievers.

CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE AND AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORTS AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSES

(following Papers daily pursuant to Standing Order 60)

- 1. Public Accounts Committee Inquiry into Taxi Licensing And Subleasing Report**
Moved by: Mrs Worden (Chair of the Public Accounts Committee)
Date moved: 23 November 2017
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion – that the Assembly take note of the Report (adjourned by Mr Higgins).
Spoken: Mrs Worden, Mrs Lambley.
- 2. Auditor-General for the Northern Territory, November 2017, Report to the Legislative Assembly: Motion to Note**
Moved by: Ms Manison (Treasurer)
Date moved: 23 November 2017
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion – that the Assembly take note of the Report (adjourned by Ms Fyles).
Spoken: Ms Manison.
- 3. Auditor-General for the Northern Territory, March 2018, Report to the Legislative Assembly: Motion to Note**
Moved by: Ms Fyles (Leader of Government Business)
Date moved: 15 March 2018
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion – that the Assembly take note of the Report.
Spoken: Ms Fyles (leave granted to continue remarks at a later time).
- 4. Auditor-General for the Northern Territory, November 2018, Report to the Legislative Assembly: Motion to Note**
Moved by: Ms Fyles (Leader of Government Business)
Date moved: 29 November 2018
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion – that the Assembly take note of the Report.
Spoken: Ms Fyles (leave granted to continue remarks at a later time).

MICHAEL TATHAM
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

Following are committees appointed by the 13th Assembly, their membership, current inquiries and reports tabled. For further information go to <https://parliament.nt.gov.au/committees/list>

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

Members –

Ms Fyles (Chair), Mr Higgins (Deputy Chair), Ms Purick, Mr Kirby, Ms Ah Kit, Mrs Lambley.

MEMBERS' INTERESTS COMMITTEE

Members –

Ms Fyles (Chair), Mr Higgins (Deputy Chair), Ms Purick, Mr Kirby, Ms Ah Kit, Mrs Lambley.

PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE

Members –

Ms Fyles (Chair), Mr Paech, Ms Lawler, Mrs Finocchiaro, Mr Wood.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

Members –

Ms Nelson (Chair), Mr Mills (Deputy Chair), Mr Sievers, Mrs Worden, Mrs Finocchiaro, Mr Wood.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Members –

Ms Purick (Chair), Mr Paech, Ms Nelson, Mr Higgins, Mr Sievers.

SOCIAL POLICY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Members –

Ms Ah Kit (Chair), Mrs Lambley (Deputy Chair), Ms Nelson, Mr Paech, Mrs Finocchiaro.

ECONOMIC POLICY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Members –

Mr Sievers (Chair), Mr Costa (Deputy Chair), Mrs Worden, Mr Higgins, Mr Guyula.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON A NORTHERN TERRITORY HARM REDUCTION STRATEGY FOR ADDICTIVE BEHAVIOURS

Members –

Mr Collins (Chair), Ms Nelson (Deputy Chair), Ms Purick, Mr Higgins, Mr Costa.

SPEAKER AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

SPEAKER

The Honourable Kezia Purick

DEPUTY SPEAKER

Mr Chanston Paech

ACTING DEPUTY SPEAKERS

Mr Gerry Wood, Mrs Robyn Lambley, Mr Jeff Collins, Ms Ah Kit, Ms Nelson

WHIPS

Mrs Kate Worden – Government

Mrs Lia Finocchiaro – Opposition