Northern Territory of Australia
Legislative Assembly

Minutes of Proceedings

Meeting Number 6
Thursday 24 October 2024

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1. **MEETING OF THE ASSEMBLY**
The Assembly met at 10.00 am. The Speaker, the Honourable Robyn Lambley, took the Chair, read the prayer and delivered the acknowledgement of country on behalf of the Assembly.

2. **VISITORS**
On behalf of all members, the Speaker welcomed students and teachers from Alawa Primary School present in the gallery.

3. **MINISTERIAL REPORT: DELIVERING FOR TERRITORIANS**
Mrs Finocchiaro (Chief Minister) delivered a report regarding Delivering for Territorians and moved that the report be noted.

Ms Uibo, Mr Maley, Mr O'Gallagher, Mrs Hersey.

Visitors: On behalf of all members, the Speaker welcomed students and teachers from Alawa Primary School present in the gallery.

Mr Yan, Mr Kerle.

Paper Tabled: Mr Kerle, by leave, tabled: Plan, Country Liberal Party, The New CLP Team Our Plan (Paper 84).

Mr Patel, Dr Rahman, Mr Paech.

Debate interrupted and, it being close to the end of the 2 hour time limit, time for the Ministerial Report expired.

Suspension of Meeting: The meeting of the Assembly was suspended between 12 noon and 2.00 pm.

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4. QUESTIONS

2.00 Ms Uibo to Mrs Finocchiaro

Paper Tabled: Ms Uibo, by leave, tabled: Consultation Paper, Territory Coordinator, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet 2024 (Paper 91).

2.04 Mr Howe to Mrs Finocchiaro
2.08 J Davis to Mr Edgington
2.12 Mr Kerle to Mr Yan
2.16 Mr Young to Mrs Finocchiaro
2.19 Mr Young to Mrs Finocchiaro – Supplementary
2.21 Mr Patel to Mr Yan
2.25 Mr Paech to Mr Burgoyne
2.29 Mrs Carlson to Mr Edgington
2.33 Ms Uibo to Mr Burgoyne
2.37 Dr Rahman to Ms Cahill
2.41 Mr O'Gallagher to Ms Boothby
2.45 Mr Guyula to Mr Maley
2.50 Mrs Zio to Ms Cahill
2.54 K McNamara to Mr Maley
2.58 Mr Kerle to Mr Maley

Exclusion from Chamber: The Speaker ordered Ms Uibo to leave the Chamber for one hour pursuant to Standing Order 49.

3.02 J Davis to Mr Maley
3.05 Dr Rahman to Mrs Finocchiaro

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

5. FINES AND PENALTIES (RECOVERY) AMENDMENT (VALIDATION) BILL 2024 (SERIAL 8)

Mr Burgoyne (Minister for Corporate and Digital Development), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Fines and Penalties (Recovery) Act 2001.*

Bill read a first time.

Mr Burgoyne moved that the Bill be now read a second time, delivered a second reading speech and tabled an Explanatory Statement (Paper 92).

On the motion of Mr Edgington the debate was adjourned.

6. PAYROLL TAX AMENDMENT BILL 2024 (SERIAL 7)

Mr Yan (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Payroll Tax Act 2009.*

Bill read a first time.

Mr Yan moved that the Bill be now read a second time, delivered a second reading speech and tabled an Explanatory Statement (Paper 93).

On the motion of Mr Edgington the debate was adjourned.

7. SENTENCING AMENDMENT BILL 2024 (SERIAL 1)

Order of the day read for the resumption of debate on the question that the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr Kerle, J Davis, Mr O'Gallagher, Mr Patel, Mr Mackay, Mrs Carlson, Mr Charls, Mrs Hersey, Mrs Finocchiaro, Ms Boothby (in reply).

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Assembly considered the Bill in detail.

Clauses 1 to 9 stand as printed.

Remainer of the Bill stands as printed.

On the question that the Bill be agreed to, the Assembly divided:

Ayes 17

Ms Boothby	Mr Burgoyne	Ms Cahill	Mrs Carlson
Mr Charls	Mr Edgington	Mrs Finocchiaro	Mrs Hersey
Mr Howe	Mr Kerle	Mr Mackay	Mr Maley
Mr O'Gallagher	Mr Patel	Dr Rahman	Mr Yan
Mrs Zio			

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Mr Brown	J Davis	Mr Guyula	K McNamara
Mr Paech	Ms Uibo	Mr Young	

Question agreed to.

Ms Boothby moved that the Bill be now read a third time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

8. PAPERS TABLED

1. The Speaker tabled: Northern Territory Electoral Commission Annual Report 2023-24 (Paper 114).
2. Mrs Finocchiaro (Chief Minister) tabled: Annual Report 2023-24, Independent Commissioner Against Corruption (Paper 115).
3. Mrs Finocchiaro (Chief Minister) tabled: Special Report of Inspector pursuant to section 140 of the *Independent Commissioner Against Corruption Act 2017* and evaluation of the Independent Commissioner Against Corruption (Paper 116) and, by leave, made a statement.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mr Edgington (Leader of Government Business) moved that the Assembly do now adjourn.

Mr Guyula, Mrs Carlson, Ms Cahill, K McNamara, Mr Burgoyne, Mr O'Gallagher, Ms Uibo, Dr Rahman, Mrs Hersey, Mrs Zio, Mr Patel, J Davis, Mrs Finocchiaro, Mr Howe, Mr Kerle.

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned at 7.54 pm until Tuesday 26 November 2024 at 10.00 am.

DEEMED PAPERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 239 the following papers were deemed tabled:

Anti-Discrimination Act 1992
Annual Report 2023-24, Northern Territory Anti-Discrimination Commission (Paper 81)

Audit Act 1995
Independent Audit Report, Northern Territory Auditor-General, for the year ended 30 June 2024 (Paper 113)

Children's Commissioner Act 2013
Office of the Children's Commissioner Northern Territory, Inquiry into the Planning and Implementation of the Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre Reduced Capacity Operational Plan (Paper 74)

Community Justice Centre Act 2005
Annual Report 2023-24, Community Justice Centre (Paper 89)

Consumer Affairs and Fair Trading Act 1990
Annual Report 2023-24, Northern Territory Consumer Affairs (Paper 97)

Director of Public Prosecutions Act 1990
Annual Report 2023-24, Director of Public Prosecutions Northern Territory (Paper 94)

Electoral Act 2004
Instrument of Appointment of Electoral Commissioner, Kirsten Luanne Kelly, *Electoral Act 2004* (Paper 70)

Electricity Reform Act 2000
Annual Report 2023-24, Electrical Safety Regulator (Paper 88)

Environment Protection (Beverage Containers and Plastic Bags) Act 2011
Annual Report 2023-24, Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority, *Environment Protection (Beverage Containers and Plastic Bags) Act 2011* (Paper 104)

Gaming Machine Act 1995
Annual Report 2023-24, Community Benefit Fund (Paper 86)
Annual Report 2023-24, Licensing NT (Paper 85)

Guardianship of Adults Act 2016
Annual Report 2023-24, Northern Territory Public Guardian and Trustee (Paper 76)

Heritage Act 2011
Annual Report 2023-24, Heritage Council Northern Territory (Paper 106)

Information Act 2002
Annual Report 2023-24, Information Commissioner Northern Territory (Paper 77)
Annual Report 2023-24, Information Commissioner Northern Territory (Paper 98)

Judicial Commission Act 2020
Annual Report 2023-24, Northern Territory Judicial Commission (Paper 80)

Land Development Corporation Act 2003
Annual Report 2023-24, Land Development Corporation (Paper 102)

Liquor Commission Act 2019
Annual Report 2023-2024, Northern Territory Liquor Commission (Paper 95)

Mental Health and Related Services Act 1998
Annual Report 2023-2024, NT Community Visitor Program (Paper 99)

Misuse of Drugs Act 1990
Annual Report 2023-24, Northern Territory Police, Section 19ZA of the *Misuse of Drugs Act 1990* (Paper 82)

Northern Territory Civil and Administrative Act 2014
Annual Report 2023-24, Northern Territory Civil and Administrative Tribunal (Paper 90)

Ombudsman Act 2009
Annual Report 2023-24, Ombudsman NT (Paper 68)

Planning Act 1999
Annual Report 2023-24, Development Consent Authority (Paper 105)

Public Sector Employment and Management Act 1993
Annual Report 2023-24, Department of Corporate and Digital Development (Paper 103)
Annual Report 2023-24, Department of Education (Paper 109)
Annual Report 2023-24, Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security (Paper 101)
Annual Report 2023-24, Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (Paper 111)
Annual Report 2023-24, Department of the Attorney-General and Justice (Paper 87)
Annual Report 2023-24, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet (Paper 66)
Annual Report 2023-24, Department of the Legislative Assembly (Paper 69)
Annual Report 2023-24, Department of Treasury and Finance (Paper 73)
Annual Report 2023-24, Northern Territory Police, Fire and Emergency Services (Paper 71)
Annual Report 2023-24, NT Health (Paper 100)
Annual Report 2023-24, Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment (Paper 107)
Annual Report 2023-24, Territory Families, Housing and Communities (Paper 112)
Employment Report 2023-2024, Department of the Legislative Assembly (Paper 110)
State of the Service Report 2023-24, Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment (Paper 108)

Return to Work Act 1986
Annual Report 2023-2024, Workers Rehabilitation and Compensation Advisory Council (Paper 96)

Serious Crime Control Act 2009
Annual Report 2023-24, Section 85(1) of the *Serious Crime Control Act 2009* (Paper 75)

Subordinate Legislation
Subordinate Legislation No. 19 of 2024, Legislative Assembly (Powers and Privileges) (Act Amendment) Regulations 2024 (Paper 65)
Subordinate Legislation No. 27 of 2024, Fisheries Amendment (Infringement Notice) Regulations 2024 (Paper 72)

Surveillance Devices Act 2007
Annual Report 2023-24, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission, Section 59 of the *Surveillance Devices Act 2007* (Paper 78)
Annual Report 2023-24, Independent Commissioner Against Corruption, Report in accordance with section 59(1A) of the *Surveillance Devices Act 2007* (Paper 67)
Annual Report 2023-24, Northern Territory Police, *Surveillance Devices Act 2007* (Paper 79)
Annual Report 2023-24, Ombudsman NT, Compliance by Northern Territory Police Force with the *Surveillance Devices Act 2007* - July 2024 Report (Paper 83)

ATTENDANCE
All members attended the meeting.



RUSSELL KEITH
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly