NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting Number 4
Tuesday 25 October 2016

1. MEETING

The Assembly met at 10.00. The Speaker, the Honourable Kezia Purick, presided.

2. PRAYERS

3. MOTION: SESSIONAL ORDER CONCERNING THE CONDUCT OF QUESTION TIME AS AMENDED AGREED TO

Ms Fyles (Leader of Government Business), pursuant to notice moved a motion to establish a Sessional Order concerning the conduct of Question Time each Wednesday when the Assembly meets:

Notwithstanding anything in the Standing Orders, during the conduct of Question Time on each Wednesday when the Assembly meets, no Government Member will ask a Minister or a Committee Chair a question without notice, but no single Minister may be asked consecutive questions without an intervening question being asked of a different Member who is a Minister, Committee Chair, Speaker or other Member who is able to be asked a question without notice pursuant to Standing Orders.

Ms Fyles moved the following amendment:

Delete the final full stop after the words "Standing Orders" and insert ', however one Supplementary Question is permitted, in line with Standing Order 106, 4(b).'

Mrs Finocchiaro.

Mrs Finocchiaro moved the following amendment:

That all the words:

'but no single Minister may be asked consecutive questions without an intervening question being asked of a different Member who is a Minister, Committee Chair, Speaker or other Member who is able to be asked a question without notice pursuant to Standing Orders.'

Be omitted.

Mr Wood, Mr Higgins, Mrs Lambley, Mr Mills, Mr McCarthy.

Question, that the amendment moved by Mrs Finocchiaro be agreed to, put.

The Assembly divided:

Ayes 6	**Noes 18**
Mrs Finocchiaro	Ms Ah Kit
Mr Guyula	Mr Collins
Mr Higgins	Mr Costa

Mrs Lambley	Ms Fyles
Mr Mills	Mr Gunner
Mr Wood	Mr Kirby
	Ms Lawler
	Mr McCarthy
	Mr McConnell
	Ms Manison
	Ms Moss
	Ms Nelson
	Mr Paech
	Mr Sievers
	Ms Uibo
	Mr Vowles
	Ms Wakefield
	Mrs Worden

Amendment not agreed to.

Question, that the amendment moved by Ms Fyles be agreed to, put and passed.

Question, that the Motion as amended be agreed to, put.

The Assembly divided:

Ayes 18	**Noes 6**
Ms Ah Kit	Mrs Finocchiaro
Mr Collins	Mr Guyula
Mr Costa	Mr Higgins
Ms Fyles	Mrs Lambley
Mr Gunner	Mr Mills
Mr Kirby	Mr Wood
Ms Lawler	
Mr McCarthy	
Mr McConnell	
Ms Manison	
Ms Moss	
Ms Nelson	
Mr Paech	
Mr Sievers	
Ms Uibo	
Mr Vowles	
Ms Wakefield	
Mrs Worden	

Motion, as amended, agreed to.

4. YOUTH JUSTICE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2016 (SERIAL 5)

Ms Wakefield (Territory Families), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Youth Justice Act* and Youth Justice Regulations.

Bill read a first time.

Ms Wakefield moved that the Bill be read a second time and delivered a statement.

Paper Tabled: Ms Wakefield tabled the Explanatory Statement (Paper 61).

On the motion of Mrs Finocchiaro debate was adjourned.

5. MOTION: ADDRESS IN REPLY AGREED TO

Resumption of debate on the question that the Address in Reply be agreed to.

Mr Gunner.

Question put and passed.

6. SPEAKER'S STATEMENT

The Speaker made a statement advising Honourable Members that she would present the Address in Reply to His Honour the Administrator on Tuesday 22 November 2016 at 11.00 and invited Members to accompany her to Government House.

7. PAPER TABLED: TREASURER'S ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT 2015-2016

Ms Manison (Treasurer) tabled the Treasurer's Annual Financial Report, 2015-2016 (Paper 62) and made a statement.

Leave was granted to Ms Manison to continue her remarks at a later time.

Suspension of Meeting: The meeting of the Assembly was suspended between 12.00 and 14.00.

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8. NOTICES

The following notices were given:

1. Mr McCarthy (Minister for Public Employment) will present on the next Meeting Day a Bill entitled Public Holidays Amendment Bill 2016 (Serial 7).
2. Ms Fyles (Leader of Government Business) will move on the next Meeting Day:

   That Sessional Orders be adopted in the same terms as Sessional Orders adopted by the 12th Assembly as follows:

   1. Pairs.
   2. Right of Reply.
   3. Committee of Members' Interests.
   4. Prayers.
   5. When a Ministerial Statement may be made.
3. Mr Gunner (Chief Minister) will present on the next Meeting Day a Bill entitled Public Information Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2016 (Serial 6).
4. Ms Fyles (Minister for Health) will present on the next Meeting Day a Bill entitled Domestic and Family Violence (Recognition of Domestic Violence Orders) (National Uniform Law) Amendment Bill 2016 (Serial 3).

9. QUESTIONS

14:01 Mr Higgins to Mr Gunner
14:05 Mr Sievers to Mr Gunner
14:08 Mrs Finocchiaro to Ms Manison
14:12 Mr Paech to Ms Manison
14:16 Mr Wood to Ms Manison
14:19 Mr McConnell to Ms Fyles
14:22 Mrs Finocchiaro to Mr Gunner

14:25 Mrs Lambley to Mr Gunner
14:29 Mrs Worden to Ms Lawler
14:33 Mr Higgins to Mr Vowles

Visitors: The Speaker advised Honourable Members of the presence in the gallery of Wadeye youth leaders.

On behalf of all Members the Speaker welcomed the visitors.

14:36 Ms Ah Kit to Ms Wakefield
14:44 Mrs Lambley to Ms Moss
14:47 Ms Uibo to Mr McCarthy
14:50 Mrs Finocchiaro to Mr Gunner
14:54 Mrs Finocchiaro to Mr Gunner – Supplementary
14:54 Mr Costa to Ms Moss

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

Ms Manison, pursuant to Standing Order 115, gave an answer to a question asked on a previous day during question time from Mr Higgins.

10. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION STATEMENT NOTED

Ms Fyles (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice) made a statement regarding the establishment of an Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC).

Ms Fyles moved that the Assembly take note of the Statement.

Mr Higgins, Mr Vowles, Mr Wood, Ms Lawler, Mr Sievers, Ms Nelson, Mr Mills, Mr Collins, Mr McConnell, Ms Manison, Ms Moss, Mr Gunner.

Question put and passed.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Ms Fyles (Leader of Government Business) moved that the Assembly adjourn.

Mrs Finocchiaro, Mrs Worden.

Paper Tabled: Mrs Worden tabled Travel Report, Travel to Sabah, Malaysia (Paper 74).

Mr Wood, Ms Lawler, Ms Ah Kit, Ms Uibo.

The Assembly adjourned at 17.38 until Wednesday 26 October at 10.00.

DEEMED PAPERS

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

Annual Reports 2015-2016:
Commissioner for Information and Public Interest Disclosures, 2015-2016 (Paper 65).
Community Benefit Fund, 2015-2016 (Paper 63).
Community Justice Centre, 2015-2016 (Paper 64).
Department of Attorney-General and Justice, 2015-2016 (Paper 66).
Director-General of Licensing, 2015-2016 (Paper 67).
Electricity Safety Regulator, 2015-2016, *Electricity Reform Act* (Paper 69).
Jacana Energy, 2015-2016 (Paper 72).
Mental Health Review Tribunal, 2015-2016 (Paper 68).

PowerWater, 2015-2016 (Paper 71).
Territory Generation Powering the NT, 2015-2016 (Paper 73).
Workers Rehabilitation and Compensation Advisory Council, 2015-2016 (Paper 70).

ATTENDANCE
All Members attended the meeting.

MICHAEL TATHAM
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly