NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting Number 79
Wednesday 13 March 2019

1. MEETING

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

2. PRAYERS

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Mrs Finocchiaro delivered the acknowledgement of country on behalf of the Assembly.

4. VISITORS

The Speaker advised Honourable Members of the presence in the gallery of Year 6 students from Girraween Primary School accompanied by their teachers Danielle Arundell and Tameeka Skinner.

On behalf of all Members the Speaker welcomed the visitors.

5. WATER LEGISLATION MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS BILL 2019 (SERIAL 81)

Ms Lawler (Environment and Natural Resources), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Water Act 1992* and the *Water Regulations 1992* and tabled the Explanatory Statement (Paper 1104) and the Human Rights Compatibility Statement (Paper 1105).

Ms Lawler moved that the Bill be read a first time and delivered an explanatory speech.

Visitors: The Speaker advised Honourable Members of the presence in the gallery of Darwin High School students accompanied by their teacher Kira Goodsell.

On behalf of all Members the Speaker welcomed the visitors.

Bill read a first time.

Ms Lawler moved that the Bill be referred to the Economic Policy Scrutiny Committee for report by 20 June 2019.

Question put and passed.

6. AGENTS AND LAND LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2018 (SERIAL 57): BILL AGREED TO

Ms Fyles moved the Bill be read a second time.

Mrs Finocchiaro, Ms Lawler, Mrs Worden, Ms Manison, Ms Fyles.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Assembly considered the Bill in detail.

Clauses 1 to 23 considered together.

Clauses 1 to 23 stand as printed.

Clause 24 considered.

Ms Fyles moved the following amendment:

Clause 24, proposed section 98E(1)

omit

body corporate to

insert

body corporate, its committees and officers to

Amendment agreed to.

Clause 24 as amended stands.

Clause 25 considered.

Ms Fyles moved the following amendment:

Clause 25, proposed section 100(1)(b)

omit

schemes,

insert

schemes and unit titles,

Clause 25 as amended stands.

Clauses 26 to 29 considered together.

Clauses 26 to 29 stand as printed.

Clause 30 considered.

Ms Fyles moved the following amendment:

After clause 30

insert

30A Section 26ZD amended (By-laws relating to estate development)

Section 26ZD(4)

omit

Clause 30 as amended stands.

Clause 31 considered.

Ms Fyles moved the following amendment:

After clause 31

insert

31A Section 93 amended (Duties, functions and powers of administrator)

Section 93(1)

omit

corporation to

insert

corporation, its committees and officers to

Clause 31 as amended stands.

Clause 32 considered.

Ms Fyles moved the following amendment:

Clause 32(2)

omit, insert

(2) Section 106(1)(a)

omit, insert

(a) if a corporation, a mortgagee of a unit, a member or an occupier of a unit claims that a breach of this Act or of the by-laws or articles of the corporation has occurred;

(3) Section 106(1)(4A)(e), (5) and (6), before "articles"

insert

by-laws or

Clause 32 as amended stands.

Remainder of the Bill taken together.

Remainder of the Bill stands as printed.

Bill as amended agreed to.

On the motion of Ms Fyles (Attorney-General and Minster for Justice), the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

7. LICENSED SURVEYORS AMENDMENT BILL 2018 (SERIAL 66): BILL AGREED TO

Ms Fyles moved the Bill be read a second time.

Mrs Finocchiaro, Ms Lawler, Mr Wood, Mrs Worden, Mr Higgins, Ms Fyles.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

By leave, on the motion of Ms Fyles (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice), the Bill was read a third time and passed to be a proposed law.

Suspension of Meeting: The meeting of the Assembly was suspended between 11.47 and 14.00.

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8. NOTICES

The following notices were given:

1. Mr Wood will move on the next General Business Day:

That this Assembly:

acknowledges that the government has proposed a new Youth Skills Centre at Howard Springs, and calls on the government to:

- explain, in detail, the associated costs, consultations and project management, of this proposal;
- state the reasons and establish the need for this proposal; and
- consult widely with the populations of Palmerston and the Rural Area.

2. Mr Mills will move on the next General Business Day:

That this Assembly:

- calls upon the Northern Territory Government to provide a detailed report on the status of planning for the 2019 Arafura Games including the following key areas;
- the report should include current and projected costs and identification of the economic benefits of the games to the Northern Territory;
- describe how the 2019 Arafura Games aligns with and strengthen the Northern Territory's Asia relations and trade objectives; and
- explain how the recent landmark Free Trade Agreement between Australia and Indonesia is factored into business to business facilitation through the Arafura Games.

9. VISITORS

The Speaker advised Honourable Members of the presence in the gallery of Didamain and Mick Uibo.

On behalf of all Members the Speaker welcomed the visitors.

10. QUESTIONS

14.01 Mrs Finocchiaro to Ms Wakefield
14.05 Mrs Finocchiaro to Ms Lawler

Paper Tabled: Ms Lawler (Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics) tabled: Report, Application to rezone Section 67 Hundred of Bagot referring to response to Royal Commission recommendations into Protection and Detention of Children in the NT December 2016 (Paper 1108).

14.08 Mrs Finocchiaro to Ms Lawler – Supplementary
14.10 Mrs Finocchiaro to Ms Wakefield
14.14 Mr Higgins to Ms Manison
14.18 Mr Guyula to Ms Wakefield
14.21 Mrs Lambley to Ms Moss
14.25 Mr Collins to Ms Manison
14.29 Mr Guyula to Ms Uibo
14.33 Mr Collins to Ms Manison
14.37 Mr Mills to Mr Gunner
14.41 Mr McConnell to Ms Moss
14.44 Mr Wood to Ms Wakefield
14.49 Mr Wood to Ms Lawler
14.52 Mr Higgins to Mr Gunner
14.55 Mr McConnell to Ms Moss
14.56 Mrs Finocchiaro to Ms Manison

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

Ms Uibo, pursuant to Standing Order 115, gave an answer to a question asked earlier during question time from Mr Guyula.

11. MOTION: CRIME AND JUSTICE AGREED TO

Resumption of debate on the motion:

That this Assembly:

- expresses continuing concern over the levels of crime and anti-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.

Mr Collins, Mrs Lambley, Mr Mills, Mr Higgins.

Question put and passed.

12. MOTION: MINERAL RESOURCES INDUSTRY IN THE NT AS AMENDED AGREED TO

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.

Mrs Finocchiaro, Ms Purick, Mr Kirby, Mr Higgins.

Question, that the amendment be agreed to, put.

The Assembly divided:

Ayes 15	**Noes 8**
Ms Ah Kit	Mr Collins
Mr Costa	Mrs Finocchiaro
Ms Fyles	Mr Higgins
Mr Gunner	Mrs Lambley
Mr Kirby	Mr McConnell
Ms Lawler	Mr Mills
Mr McCarthy	Ms Purick

Ms Manison Mr Wood
Ms Moss
Ms Nelson
Mr Paech
Mr Sievers
Ms Uibo
Ms Wakefield
Mrs Worden

Amendment agreed to.

Question, that the motion as amended be agreed to, put and passed.

13. MOTION: GOVERNMENT BUDGET CUTS AGREED TO

Resumption of debate on the motion:

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

Question put and passed.

14. MOTION: PALMERSTON REGIONAL HOSPITAL AS AMENDED AGREED TO

Resumption of debate 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.

Ms Fyles, Mr Wood, Mr Sievers.

Mr Sievers moved the following amendment:

Remove all words after 'that' and replace with:

That this Assembly:

1. welcomes the opening of the new PRH;
2. notes with concern the number of issues which have seemingly plagued the hospital's build under the CLP Governance; and
3. that we will undertake a 12 month Post Occupancy Review.

Ms Lawler, Ms Fyles.

Mr Fyles moved the following amendment:

Remove all words after 'that' and replace with:

That this Assembly:

1. welcomes the opening of the new PRH;
2. notes with concern the number of issues which have seemingly plagued the hospital's build under the CLP Governance; and
3. that the Government will undertake a 12 month Post Occupancy Review.

Mr Mills, Mrs Finocchiaro.

Question, that the amendment to the amendment be agreed to, put.

The Assembly divided:

Ayes 15	**Noes 6**
Ms Ah Kit	Mrs Finocchiaro
Mr Costa	Mr Higgins
Ms Fyles	Mrs Lambley
Mr Gunner	Mr McConnell
Mr Kirby	Mr Mills
Ms Lawler	Mr Wood
Mr McCarthy	
Ms Manison	
Ms Moss	
Ms Nelson	
Mr Paech	
Mr Sievers	
Ms Uibo	
Ms Wakefield	
Mrs Worden	

Amendment agreed to.

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

The Assembly divided:

Ayes 15	**Noes 6**
Ms Ah Kit	Mrs Finocchiaro
Mr Costa	Mr Higgins
Ms Fyles	Mrs Lambley
Mr Gunner	Mr McConnell
Mr Kirby	Mr Mills
Ms Lawler	Mr Wood
Mr McCarthy	
Ms Manison	
Ms Moss	
Ms Nelson	
Mr Paech	
Mr Sievers	
Ms Uibo	
Ms Wakefield	
Mrs Worden	

Motion, as amended, agreed to.

15. STATEMENT BY LEAVE

Ms Fyles made a statement regarding Standing Order 245 informed the Assembly of the first infant present in the Chamber under this Standing Order.

16. ADJOURNMENT

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

Ms Wakefield, Ms Nelson, Ms Purick, Ms Uibo, Mr Paech, Mrs Worden.

The Assembly adjourned at 19.50 until Thursday 14 March 2019 at 10.00.

DEEMED PAPERS

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

Annual Reports 2017-2018
Health and Community Services Complaints Commission (Paper 1106).
Cobourg Peninsula Sanctuary and Marine Park Board (Paper 1107).

ATTENDANCE
All Members attended the meeting.



MICHAEL TATHAM
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly