NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting Number 103
Thursday 14 March 2024

1. **MEETING**
The Assembly met at 10.00. The Speaker, the Honourable Dheran Young, presided.

2. **PRAYERS**
Mr Bowden read the prayer.

3. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**
Mr Bowden delivered the acknowledgement of country on behalf of the Assembly.

4. **SPEAKER'S STATEMENT**
The Speaker made a statement regarding the unparliamentary nature of personal reflections on Members.

5. **VISITORS**
On behalf of all Members, the Speaker welcomed students and teachers from Sattler Christian College present in the gallery.

6. **MINERAL ROYALTIES BILL 2023 (SERIAL 122)**
Ms Lawler (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to impose a royalty on minerals extracted in the Territory after 1 July 2024, to make consequential amendments to the *Mineral Royalty Act 1982* and the *Taxation Administration Act 2007* and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Ms Lawler moved that the Bill be read a second time, delivered a second reading speech and tabled an Explanatory Statement (Paper 1099).

Debate adjourned on the motion of Mr Edgington.

7. **CHILDREN'S COMMISSIONER AMENDMENT BILL 2024 (SERIAL 115)**
Resumption of debate on the question that the Bill be read a second time.

Mr Edgington, Ms Ah Kit, Mrs Worden, Ms Purick, Mr Paech (in reply).

Question put.

The Assembly divided:

Ayes 14	**Noes 9**
Ms Ah Kit	Ms Boothby
Mr Bowden	Mr Burgoyne
Mr Brown	Mr Edgington
Ms Fyles	Mrs Finocchiaro

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Mr Kirby	Mrs Hersey
Ms Lawler	Mr Maley
Mrs Manison	Ms Purick
Mr Monaghan	Mr Turner
Ms Moss	Mr Yan
Mr Paech	
Mr Potter	
Ms Uibo	
Mrs Worden	
Mr Young	

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

By leave, on the motion of Mr Paech (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice) the Bill was read a third time.

8. MOTION: REORDER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Ms Uibo (Minister for Health), pursuant to Standing Order 59 moved that Government Business Order of the Day Number 8 be taken next.

Question put and passed.

9. MINISTERIAL POLICY STATEMENT: PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT – SKILLS AND TRAINING

Resumption of debate on the question that the Assembly take note of the statement.

Ms Lawler, Mr Bowden.

Debate suspended.

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

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10. PETITION

Mrs Hersey, by leave, presented Petition Number 29, not conforming with Standing Orders, from 1,193 petitioners praying that the government develop a dedicated special needs middle and high school for residents of Palmerston Rural Area (Paper 1100).

Petition read.

11. MOTION: PETITION REFERRED TO PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

Mrs Hersey moved that Petition Number 29 be referred to the Public Accounts Committee.

Question put and passed.

12. QUESTIONS

14.02 Mrs Finocchiaro to Ms Lawler
14.04 Mr Brown to Ms Lawler
14.07 Mr Maley to Ms Lawler
14.11 Mrs Manison to Mr Monaghan
14.14 Ms Boothby to Ms Lawler
14.17 Mr Kirby to Mr Bowden
14.21 Mr Yan to Ms Lawler, referred to Ms Uibo

14.24 Ms Moss to Mrs Worden
14.27 Mrs Hersey to Ms Lawler
14.32 Mr Kirby to Ms Lawler
14.35 Mr Guyula to Ms Uibo
14.39 Mrs Manison to Mr Monaghan
14.43 Mr Edgington to Ms Lawler
14.47 Ms Fyles to Mr Potter
14.50 Mr Burgoyne to Ms Lawler, referred to Mr Potter
14.54 Mr Burgoyne to Mr Potter – Supplementary
14.57 Ms Moss to Ms Uibo

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

13. MINISTERIAL POLICY STATEMENT: PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT – SKILLS AND TRAINING

Resumption of debate on the question that the Assembly take note of the statement.

Mr Bowden (continuation of remarks), Mr Guyula, Mrs Worden, Mr Edgington, Ms Fyles.

Question put and passed.

14. DEBATE ON PETITION NUMBER 26

Ms Ah Kit moved, pursuant to Sessional Order 12, that the Assembly note Petition Number 26 concerning the public housing tenancy at 10 Kapok Court, Karama.

Mr Maley, Ms Uibo.

Question put and passed.

15. MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE: GOVERNMENT SUMMER PLAN

The Speaker advised the Assembly that Mr Burgoyne had proposed a Matter of Public Importance in the following terms:

The Government's failure to deliver their summer plan.

Having received the necessary support, discussion ensued.

Mr Burgoyne, Mr Potter, Mr Yan, Ms Ah Kit, Ms Boothby, Mr Monaghan, Mr Edgington, Mr Paech, Mr Maley.

Discussion concluded.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Mr Paech (Leader of Government Business) moved that the Assembly adjourn.

Question put and passed.

Mr Guyula, Mr Potter, Mr Yan, Mr Monaghan, Mr Paech, Ms Uibo.

The Assembly adjourned at 19.35 until Tuesday 19 March 2024 at 10.00.

DEEMED PAPER

Pursuant to Standing Order 239 the following paper was deemed tabled:

Domestic and Family Violence Act 2007

A Matter of Trust: First Review of Chapter 5A, Domestic and Family Violence, Information Commissioner Northern Territory (Paper 1101)

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended the meeting.

MATHEW BATES
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly