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**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

NOTICE PAPER

No. 47

Tuesday, 4 March 2003

The Assembly meets this day at 10.30 am

ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

Orders of the day

- *1 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS – STANDING COMMITTEE: Presentation of report on the Appropriation Bill 2002-2003 (No 2) pursuant to order of the Assembly of 20 February 2003.

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

Notices

- 1 MR WOOD: To move – That the following orders of the day be discharged from the *Notice Paper*:

Private Member's Business Order of the Day No 8 relating to the Canberra V8 Supercar Event

Assembly Business Order of the Day No 2 relating to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment's report No 4 on DV 174

**Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time*

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Assembly Business Order of the Day No 4 relating to the Standing Committee on Community Services and Social Equity's report No.2 Accommodation and support for homeless men and their children.

Assembly Business Order of the Day No 5 relating to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment's report No 8 on DV 190

Assembly Business Order of the Day No 8 relating to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment's report No 9 on the Planning and Land Bill and associated legislation. (*Notice given 19 February 2003*).

Orders of the day

- 1 CONFISCATION OF CRIMINAL ASSETS BILL 2002: (*Attorney-General*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 20 February 2003 – Ms Tucker*).
- 2 CIVIL LAW (WRONGS) AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Minister for Urban Services; presented by Chief Minister*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 26 September 2002 – Mr Stefaniak*).
- 3 NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COUNCIL AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Minister for Urban Services*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 14 November 2002 – Mrs Dunne*).
- 4 INDIGENOUS EDUCATION – FOURTH SIX MONTHLY REPORT – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 29 August 2002 – Mr Pratt*) on the motion of Mr Stanhope – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 5 INQUIRIES ACT – BOARD OF INQUIRY INTO DISABILITY SERVICES – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPERS – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Resumption of debate (*from 26 September 2002 – Mr Smyth*) on the motion of Mr Wood – That the Assembly takes note of the papers.
- 6 HAWKERS BILL 2002: (*Minister for Urban Services; presented by Deputy Chief Minister*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002 – Mr Cornwell*).
- 7 CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA BILL 2002 (NO 2): (*Minister for Urban Services; presented by Deputy Chief Minister*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002 – Mr Cornwell*).
- 8 STATE OF THE TERRITORY'S FINANCE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 7 March 2002 – Mr Smyth*) on the motion of Mr Quinlan – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

- 9 INDEPENDENT COMPETITION AND REGULATORY COMMISSION - INVESTIGATION INTO COMPETITION IMPLICATIONS OF PROVISION OF WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE TAXI SERVICES BY A SINGLE NETWORK – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 13 December 2001 – Mr Wood*) on the motion of Mr Quinlan – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 10 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT ACT – CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 15 May 2002 – Mr Smyth*) on the motion of Mr Quinlan – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 11 GAMING MACHINE ACT – ACT GAMBLING AND RACING COMMISSION – REPORT ON COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY GAMING MACHINE LICENSEES – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 26 September 2002*) on the motion of Mr Stanhope – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 12 DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT BILL 2002 (NO. 2): (*Attorney-General*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 21 November 2002 – Mr Stefaniak*).
- 13 PUBLIC RENTAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – AMENDMENT TO RESTORE SECURITY OF TENURE TO PUBLIC TENANTS – STATEMENT BY MINISTER – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 10 December 2002 – Mr Stefaniak*) on the motion of Mr Wood – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 14 LEGISLATION (GAY, LESBIAN AND TRANSGENDER) AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Attorney-General*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002 – Ms Dundas*).
- 15 GENE TECHNOLOGY BILL 2002: (*Minister for Health*): Resumption of debate – Agreement in principle.
- 16 AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE ACT: STRATEGIES FOR ACTION – PAPERS – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002 – Mr Stefaniak*) on the motion of Mr Wood – That the Assembly takes note of the papers.
- 17 TAXATION (GOVERNMENT BUSINESS ENTERPRISES) BILL 2002: (*Treasurer*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 18 February 2003 – Ms Dundas*).
- *18 CONSUMER AND TRADER TRIBUNAL BILL 2003: (*Attorney-General*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 20 February 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*).

- *19 LAND (PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT) (COMPLIANCE)
AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Minister for Planning*): Agreement in principle
– Resumption of debate (*from 20 February 2003 – Mrs Dunne*).
- *20 FULL RETAIL COMPETITION – IMPACT ON ACT LOW INCOME
EARNERS – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE
NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 20 February 2003 –
Mr Cornwell*) on the motion of Mr Quinlan – That the Assembly takes note of
the paper.

Notices - continued

- 2 MR STANHOPE: To move – That the Legislative Assembly for the
Australian Capital Territory, having noted that:
 - (1) subsection 8(2) of the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government)
Act 1988* (the Act) provides that the Assembly shall consist of 17
members;
 - (2) subsection 8(3) of the Act provides that the Governor-General may make
regulations under the Act to fix a different number of members;
 - (3) regulations may only be made for this purpose in accordance with a
resolution passed by the Assembly; and
 - (4) regulations would need to be made no later than April 2003 so that the
necessary electoral redistribution can be conducted in time for the ACT
election scheduled for October 2004;

hereby resolves that the number of members of the Legislative Assembly
should be increased from 17 to 25 by regulations made by the Governor-
General for the purposes of subsection 8(3) of the Act; and

calls upon the Chief Minister to communicate this resolution to the
Commonwealth Government with a request that the regulations increasing the
number of members be made at the earliest opportunity but no later than 31
March 2003. (*Notice given 25 September 2002*).

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

- 1 MR PRATT: To move – That noting the Chief Minister’s call for more education on fire prevention, and noting that the ACT bushfire season remains current, that this Assembly calls on the Government to immediately implement the following:
 - (1) Emergency Services Bureau bushfire prevention information and emergency management briefing programs in those bushland suburbs deemed vulnerable to bushfire; and
 - (2) mandatory Emergency Services Bureau/Education Department bushfire prevention and safety measures programs in all schools. (*Notice given 18 February 2003*).
- 2 MR PRATT: To move – That the ACT Legislative Assembly condemns Labor for blocking the suspension of Downer Preschool in October 1998 and now having to admit that it was wrong to do so given that it wants to suspend Lyneham Preschool for the same reason. (*Notice given 24 September 2002*).
- 3 MR PRATT: To move – That this Assembly:
 - (1) notes that the Department of Education will vacate the O’Connell Education Centre of the site of the old Griffith Primary School site by the end of this school year;
 - (2) notes that the Blue Gum School is currently in unacceptable accommodation and needs to move into more acceptable accommodation at the end of the current school year;
 - (3) calls on the Minister for Education to explore all educational options (Departmental, government and non government) for the O’Connell Centre before it is made surplus to requirement. (*Notice given 25 June 2002*).
- 4 MR SMYTH: To move – That the Government acknowledge the importance of openness and accountability and their election commitment to this end and calls on the Government to table the Canberra Hospital and Calvary Hospitals’ information bulletin – patient activity data, monthly reports at the first Assembly sitting after they have become available to the Government. (*Notice given 7 May 2002*).
- 5 MRS DUNNE: To move – That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Planning to immediately recommence the master planning process for the Kippax Group Centre. (*Notice given 9 May 2002*).
- 6 MRS DUNNE: To move – That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Urban Services to immediately allocate funds for the site selection and design of a permanent library and community centre at the Kippax Group Centre. (*Notice given 9 May 2002*).
- 7 MRS DUNNE: To move – That the Assembly directs the Government to immediately remove heavy vehicle diversions from Chuculba Crescent,

Giralang and any other suburban streets and ensure that all heavy vehicle routes avoid suburban streets. (*Notice given 27 August 2002*).

- 8 MRS DUNNE: To move – That the Assembly directs the Government to enter into immediate negotiations with the National Capital Authority about the duplication of Caswell Drive to ensure that unoccupied land to the east of the existing road reserve is utilised so that the road does not encroach unnecessarily on the amenity of Aranda. (*Notice given 27 August 2002*).
- 9 MS TUCKER: To move – That this Assembly:
 - (1) having noted that under the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* the size of the Assembly can only be altered by regulations in accordance with a resolution passed by the Assembly;
 - (2) hereby resolves that the number of members of the Legislative Assembly should be increased from 17 to 21, with 7 members elected from each of 3 electorates; and
 - (3) calls upon the Chief Minister to communicate this resolution to the Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government with a request that the regulations increasing the number of members be made by no later than 31 March 2003 so that the necessary electoral redistribution can be conducted in time for the ACT election scheduled for October 2004. (*Notice given 19 November 2002*).
- 10 MRS CROSS: To move – That the Legislative Assembly dissents from Speaker Berry's ruling that the matter of public importance lodged by Mrs Cross concerning the Katie Bender tragedy is out of order as it is sub-judice. (*Notice given 11 December 2002*).
- 11 MRS DUNNE: To move – That noting recommendation 4 of Report No 4 of the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment into Draft Variation No 174 to the Territory Plan, the Hungarian-Australian Club site and Community Facility Land, this Assembly calls on the Government to review the operation of all pre self-government concessional leases. (*Notice given 11 December 2002*).
- 12 MRS DUNNE: To move – This Assembly:
 - (1) notes the Minister for Planning's decision of 27 November to extend the 5% interim limit on dual and triple occupancy, embodied in Draft Variation 192, until May 2003; and
 - (2) notes the creation of an overlapping and contradictory conditions between Draft Variation 192 and Draft Variation 200, which gained interim effect in September 2002;
 - (3) calls on the Minister to immediately suspend the operation of Draft Variation 192 as was initially intended. (*Notice given 11 December 2002*).

13 MR HARGREAVES: To move – That the Assembly:

- (1) notes the high levels of demand for public and community housing in the Tuggeranong area;
- (2) supports moves by the Government to ensure that more public and community housing is available in Tuggeranong; and
- (3) in particular, welcomes the Government's commitment to regularly update and turnover of the housing stock to meet the changing needs of the community. (*Notice given 18 February 2003*).

Orders of the day

- 1 INQUIRIES AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Mr Humphries*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 15 May 2002 – Mr Stanhope*).
- 2 LAND (PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT) LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2001: (*Ms Tucker*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2001 – Mr Corbell*).
- 3 CRIMES AMENDMENT BILL 2001 (NO 3): (*Mr Stefaniak*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2001 – Mr Stanhope*).
- 4 SUPREME COURT AMENDMENT BILL 2001 (NO 2): (*Mr Stefaniak*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2001 – Mr Stanhope*).
- 5 ELECTORAL AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Ms Tucker*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 6 March 2002 – Mr Stanhope*).
- 6 STATISTICAL PROFILE ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE AND REVIEW OF THE OPERATION OF THE VICTIMS OF CRIME (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE) ACT - MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Resumption of debate (*from 7 March 2002 – Mrs Dunne*) on the motion of Mr Stefaniak – That the Assembly takes note of the papers.
- 7 PROPOSED TIMETABLE FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE GUNGAHLIN DRIVE EXTENSION: Resumption of debate (*from 5 June 2002 – Ms Dundas*) on the motion of Mrs Dunne – That this Assembly:
 - (1) notes the ACT Government's commitment to build the Gungahlin Drive extension on time, on the western alignment, and to the same budget as that allocated to the eastern alignment; and

- (2) directs the Minister for Planning, Mr Corbell, to table before the Assembly rises on Thursday, 6 June 2002 his proposed timetable for completing the Gungahlin Drive extension including but not limited to the:
- (a) commencement and completion of environmental planning;
 - (b) commencement and completion of engineering planning;
 - (c) commencement of the draft variation process;
 - (d) timetable for the letting of tenders;
 - (e) commencement of works; and
 - (f) completion of works.
- 8 CONTRACT RELATING TO CANBERRA 400 V8 SUPERCAR EVENT:
Resumption of debate (*from 26 June 2002 – Mr Hargreaves*) on the motion of Ms Gallagher - That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Economic Development, Business and Tourism to table the contract relating to the Canberra 400 V8 Supercar event.
- 9 INQUIRIES AMENDMENT BILL 2002 (NO 2): (*Ms Dundas*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 21 August 2002 – Mr Quinlan*).
- 10 COMMUNITY REFERENDUM BILL 2002: (*Mr Humphries*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 28 August 2002 – Mr Stanhope*).
- 11 INSURANCE COMPENSATION FRAMEWORK BILL 2002: (*Mr Smyth*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 25 September 2002 – Mr Quinlan*).
- 12 LEGAL PRACTITIONERS AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Mr Smyth*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 25 September 2002 – Mr Quinlan*).
- 13 ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES (LIABILITY) BILL 2002: (*Mr Smyth*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 25 September 2002 – Mr Quinlan*).
- 14 CIVIL LAW (WRONGS) AMENDMENT BILL 2002 (NO 2): (*Ms Dundas*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 13 November 2002 – Mr Stanhope*).
- 15 CRIMES AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Mr Pratt*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 13 November 2002 – Mr Stanhope*).
- 16 BUILDING (WATER EFFICIENCY) AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Mrs Dunne*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 13 November 2002 – Mr Corbell*).
- 17 LITTER AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Ms Tucker*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 20 November 2002 – Mr Corbell*).

- 18 PUBLIC ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS AMENDMENT BILL 2002 (NO. 2): (*Ms Dundas*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002 – Mr Quinlan*).
 - 19 COSTING OF ELECTION COMMITMENTS BILL 2002: (*Mr Humphries*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002 – Mr Quinlan*).
 - 20 FINANCIAL LEGISLATION (INTEGRITY AND RESPONSIBILITY) AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Mr Humphries*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002 – Mr Quinlan*).
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ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

Orders of the day - continued

- 2 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO. 4 – DRAFT VARIATION NO 174 TO THE TERRITORY PLAN – HUNGARIAN-AUSTRALIAN CLUB SITE AND COMMUNITY FACILITY LAND – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 22 August 2002 – Mr Corbell*) on the motion of Mrs Dunne – That the report be noted.
- 3 LEGAL AFFAIRS – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 3 – OPERATION OF THE *DANGEROUS GOODS ACT 1975* WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO FIREWORKS – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 22 August 2002 – Mr Corbell*) on the motion of Mr Stefaniak – That the report be noted.
- 4 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SOCIAL EQUITY – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 2 – ACCOMMODATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR HOMELESS MEN AND THEIR CHILDREN – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 22 August 2002 – Mr Stefaniak*) on the motion of Mr Hargreaves – That the report be noted.
- 5 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 8 – DRAFT VARIATION NO 190 TO THE TERRITORY PLAN – HANNAH PARK (PART BLOCK 1 SECTION 332 FADDEN AND BLOCKS 16 AND 17 SECTION 226 GOWRIE) – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 27 August 2002 – Mr Corbell*) on the motion of Mrs Dunne – That the report be noted.

- 6 HEALTH AND COMMUNITY CARE – STANDING COMMITTEE (FOURTH ASSEMBLY) – REPORT NO. 11 – ELDER ABUSE IN THE ACT – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 26 September 2002 – Mr Cornwell*) on the motion of Mr Stanhope – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
 - 7 LEGAL AFFAIRS – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO. 4 – THE APPROPRIATENESS OF THE SIZE OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE ACT AND OPTIONS FOR CHANGING THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS, ELECTORATES AND ANY OTHER RELATED MATTER – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 26 September 2002 – Mr Stefaniak*) on the motion of Mr Stanhope – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
 - 8 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO. 9 – PLANNING AND LAND BILL 2002 AND ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 14 November 2002 – Mr Corbell*) on the motion of Mrs Dunne – That the report be noted.
 - 9 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO. 9 – PLANNING AND LAND BILL 2002 AND ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 19 November 2002 – Mr Cornwell*) on the motion of Mr Corbell – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
 - 10 STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE ACT – SELECT COMMITTEE – REPORT – THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE ACT – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 21 November 2002 – Mr Stanhope*) on the motion of Ms Gallagher – That the report be noted.
 - 11 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SOCIAL EQUITY – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO. 2 – ACCOMMODATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR HOMELESS MEN AND THEIR CHILDREN – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 21 November 2002 – Mr Stefaniak*) on the motion of Mr Wood – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
 - 12 LEGAL AFFAIRS – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO. 3 – THE OPERATION OF THE DANGEROUS GOODS ACT 1975 WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO FIREWORKS – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002 – Mr Cornwell*) on the motion of Mr Corbell – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
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1 April 2003

- 13 LEGAL AFFAIRS – STANDING COMMITTEE: Presentation of report on the Crimes (Industrial Manslaughter) Bill 2002 pursuant to order of the Assembly of 12 December 2002.

Referred to Standing Committee on Legal Affairs on

12 December 2002

CRIMES (INDUSTRIAL MANSLAUGHTER) BILL 2002:
(*Minister for Industrial Relations*): Resumption of debate – Agreement in principle
(*Mr Pratt*).

Referred to Standing Committee on Public Accounts on

20 February 2003

APPROPRIATION BILL 2002-2003 (NO 2): (*Treasurer*): Resumption of debate -
Agreement in principle (*Mr Smyth*).

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

On the first sitting day of a period of sittings a complete *Notice Paper* is published containing all unanswered questions. On subsequent days, only new and redirected or revised questions are included on the *Notice Paper*.

Unanswered questions

18 February 2003

(30 days expires 20 March 2003)

- 362 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Chief Minister – In relation to the reply to question on notice 230 that “the site of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy is on Commonwealth land within the parliamentary triangle. The Registration of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy is on the Register of the National Estate, and as such, is outside the jurisdiction of the ACT Government”:

- (1) Does this exemption from ACT jurisdiction apply when a state of emergency is declared as happened during the January 2003 firestorm and if so, why;

- (2) If this exemption from ACT jurisdiction does not apply during an ACT state of emergency, why was the fire at the Aboriginal Tent Embassy not extinguished for the duration of the state of emergency;
- (3) If an ACT state of emergency does not apply to Commonwealth land within the parliamentary triangle containing site(s) on the Register of the National Estate, what (a) procedures are required to enact state of emergency provisions in this area and, (b) were they enacted and if not, why not.

363 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Treasurer:

- (1) What is the current waiting time of a Telstra connection in the ACT;
- (2) Is there a problem for a person signing up with Telstra who is a member of a body corporate and if so, what is the problem;
- (3) Is it true that Telstra will not sign up potential customers who are members of a body corporate;
- (4) Is it true that unless you are signed up with Telstra, you cannot obtain Transact;
- (5) What is your legal situation if your transfer to Telstra from Optus and then cannot obtain Transact service.

364 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Treasurer – In relation to the Australian International Hotel School (AIHS):

- (1) What was the annual operating expense per student in (a) 2001 and, (b) 2002;
- (2) What were the operating expenses per graduate in (a) 2000, (b) 2001 and, (c) 2002;
- (3) What fees are charged to students who enrol at the AIHS;
- (4) What subsidy did the ACT Government pay to AIHS per student in (a) 2000 (b) 2001 and, (c) 2002 (*Redirected 20 February 2003*).

365 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Education – In relation to the University of Canberra (UC):

- (1) What was the average annual operating expense per student in (a) 2001 and (b) 2002;

- (2) What were the operating expenses per graduate in (a) 2000 (b) 2001 and (c) 2002;
- (3) What is the average fee charged to full-time students enrolled at UC.

366 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Health – In relation to the review of Respite Care Empirical Needs Study, due in the first week of February 2003 (Question 325 reply refers):

- (1) Has the Government received the report;
- (2) Will the Report be tabled in the Assembly and if so, when;
- (3) If it will not be tabled, why not.

367 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Attorney-General – In relation to the New South Wales Magistrates Referral Program (MERIT) pilot program:

- (1) Has the Attorney-General seen details of the program which offers drug treatment before sentencing as a voluntary option for first offenders and that 60 percent of participants had never had any contact with a health service;
- (2) Will the Government consider introducing MERIT in the ACT;
- (3) Are there ACT statistics available about addicts and their access to health facilities in the ACT;
- (4) Can more details of MERIT be obtained, eg. the comparable costs of such treatment versus sentencing, and can these details, if available, be provided to interested persons, including myself.

368 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to the Mugga Way Tip:

- (1) What is the cost per rubbish placement at each area;
- (2) If you wished to deposit rubbish at each area, how many stops would you have to make;
- (3) Is the person delivering the rubbish to each area responsible for its unloading;
- (4) What penalties are imposed if rubbish is off-loaded in the wrong area;
- (5) Who administers the penalty, ie; on-the-spot or by mail;
- (6) How many people are employed at the Mugga Lane Tip.

- 369 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Disability, Housing and Community Services – In relation to the December 2002 Quarterly Performance Report and the 2.36 percent of tenants over 8 weeks in arrears:
- (1) As a percentage how many tenants are (a) six (b) four and (c) two weeks in arrears;
 - (2) What procedures are (a) followed to chase up arrears and (b) when are these procedures initiated;
 - (3) What is the total amount outstanding in each category of (1) above in the December 2002 Quarter and over 8 weeks.
- 370 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Disability, Housing and Community Services: What is the total amount of occupant debt in ACT Housing properties as at 31 December 2002.
- 371 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Chief Minister - In relation to the answer to question on notice 313:
- (1) Is the Community Information Technology Access Plan available;
 - (2) If not, can you advise when in 'early 2003' the Plan will be available (*Redirected 20 February 2003*).
- 373 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Chief Minister - In relation to a letter from you of 1 October 2002, concerning reciprocal transport concessions for ACT Senior Card holders:
- (1) Have there been any further developments in ACT participation since your letter;
 - (2) Have any other States, apart from Tasmania, now joined the same scheme;
 - (3) Is there any indication of when the scheme could be introduced nationally.
- 374 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Health – Further to your advice on 21 August 2002 that a study was being conducted into the Dickson and Narrabundah day care respite services, and your further undertaking (*Hansard 20 November 2002*) to see what could be provided of that study to interested parties, including myself:
- (1) Could you please advise when a copy of the study can be made available;

- (2) If no copy can be made available, why not (*Redirected 20 February 2003*).

375 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Treasurer – In relation to the report in The Canberra Times of 16 January 2003 that you have set up a working group of “senior department staff, the Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT) and the Australian International Hotel School (AIHS), to examine a new collaborative working arrangement with CIT”:

- (1) Who are the members of the working group by name;
- (2) When will the working group report;
- (3) Why have you announced continuation of the AIHS before the working group has reported;
- (4) Will a copy of the working group’s report be made available to interested parties, including myself, and if not, why not;
- (5) If the AIHS has cost \$ 30 million since opening in 1995, how much additional funding has been written off by governments in each of the periods from 1995 to 2002 (to 31 December);
- (6) What is the (a) cost per graduate over the period at (5) above and, (b) how many people have graduated in this period.

376 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to funding for the Athllon Drive duplication (between Drakeford Drive and Isabella Drive):

- (1) Has the original \$11 million funding for this duplication as announced by the former Liberal Government been reduced;
- (2) Is this capital works project still going to duplicate the road from Drakeford Drive through to Isabella Drive, or will this duplication end at Reed Street (south) as implied in your press statement of 5 February 2003;
- (3) Is the \$8.2 million figure quoted in your press statement of 5 February a figure for the works from Drakeford Drive to Reed Street only, meaning the remaining amount of \$2.8 million is for the duplication through to Isabella Drive;
- (4) How much funding has been expended to date on this project.

377 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Treasurer: How many staff will be relocated to Gungahlin following the decision to move the ACTTAB head office to the town centre.

378 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – Further to your letter of 2 December 2002 advising of a review of the performance of the new Dalrymple/Goyder Streets, Narrabundah by your department:

- (1) Has the review been completed, and what was the result;
- (2) Can a copy of the review be made available to interested parties, including myself, and if not, why not.

19 February 2003

(30 days expires 21 March 2003)

379 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Health – In relation to carer's funding:

- (1) How much money has been allocated specifically to carers in the 2002-2003 Budget;
- (2) Is there a detailed list of the allocation of funding to carers in the current budget, if so, could it be included in the response to this question;
- (3) Is there any annual grant or have any funds been allocated to the ACT Carers Association;
- (4) If so, how much is this annual grant, or how much has been allocated to the ACT Carers Association this financial year;
- (5) Does the department have a figure of how many carers there are in the ACT, if so could a figure be provided in this response;
- (6) Is there a breakdown of the type of people these carers assist ie; how many have mental health disorders, physical disability, cancer etc, if so could that breakdown be included in the response to this question.

380 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Health – In relation to respite care funding:

- (1) Have any of the funds allocated to respite care in the 2002-03 Budget for this financial year - \$1 million - been expended;
- (2) If so, how much of that funding has been expended and can you provide a detailed list of where that particular funding has been spent;
- (3) Has an empirical study assessing respite care needs in the ACT, as outlined in Budget Paper 3, p144, been completed;
- (4) If so what are the results, if not, why has this study not been completed.

381 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Industrial Relations – In relation to the WorkCover Annual Report 2002:

(1) Supplementation Fund (Annual Report p.101);

A total of \$64 million was predicted to be the liability in relation to the 757 claims made against the liquidator at an average of \$84,500 per claim;

- (a) Given that in the first full financial year, 485 claims have been finalised for a total expenditure of \$7.3 million, or \$15,000 per claim, leaving a balance of 272 claims with total allocations of \$56.7 million or \$208,000 per claim, is this figure still accurate or is it likely that performance will be significantly better than originally predicted by both the actuary and ACT WorkCover;
- (b) How does the actual settlement amounts compare with HIIH's own original estimates at the time of the collapse;
- (c) Given the Minister's admission on 20 November that the actuarial report was prepared on less than complete data, how reliable are these figures included in the annual accounts.

(2) Administration Expenses (Page 106);

Administration expenses associated with the Supplementation Fund total \$601,322 (or \$639,316 on page 108).

- (a) How many staff does this expense cover and is this not high compared with insurance industry average workloads, given that there is also the involvement of a supervising insurer;
- (b) In addition, why is there a discrepancy between the figures in the Statement of Financial Performance (p.106) and the Statement of Cash Flows (p.108).

(3) Nominal Insurer Advisory Committee (Page 14)

- (a) Given that ACT WorkCover as the Nominal Insurer also sets and collects the levies from insurers and self-insurers based on claims costs, what transparency is there in place to ensure that claims are managed for the best possible outcome to keep levies down;

(4) Construction Industry Safety (Page 23)

According to WorkCover's own figures, 45% of Improvement Notices issued and 82% of Prohibition Notices issued by WorkCover inspectors were for the construction industry;

- (a) Is the focus on this industry adequate and appropriately resourced.

(5) Codes of Practice (Page 10)

The fourth dot point on page 10 talks about the 'modernising' of the Codes of Practice. Codes of Practice are generally guides that can be used as a framework for the development of company procedures. It appears that WorkCover want to turn them into "Black Letter Law" so that a breach of a Code or failure to fully follow it is a breach of the Act.

- (a) Is this approach consistent with what is happening in other jurisdictions and will it really lead to improved OH&S by making processes more prescriptive;

(6) AIMS Database (Page 10)

The eighth dot point on page 10 talks about the AIMS database. Given that this project has been going for some 4 years now, apart from the graphs in the Construction Industry Task Force Report and some in the Annual Report, it appears that WorkCover are keeping all the information to themselves and not releasing it for others to analyse;

- (a) Is this proposed to change and allow access to the database for analysis purposes to other bodies and individuals;

(7) Administrative Expenses (Page 64)

- (a) Is it to be assumed that the significant increase in legal expenses is directly related to the HIH claims;
- (b) Given that the costs are associated with claims outcomes, is this good value for money; or
- (c) Is this amount directly related to the significant commitment in resources to fireworks that is deflecting WorkCover's focus away from OH&S in the workplace.

(8) Nominal Insurer Levies (Page 83)

Nominal Insurer Levies came down to \$75,000 in 2001-02, yet administration costs amounted to approx \$130,000 or 46% of total expenditure. This ratio appears very high compared to insurance industry average administrative figures of 12 - 15%, particularly when there are only 39 Nominal Insurer claims being managed:

- (a) Can the Minister explain why these figures are so high in relation to the insurance industry average.

- 382 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services – In relation to drugs in schools could you please provide detailed information on programs and policy existing within the department about drugs in schools, specifically:
- (1) What mechanisms are in place for the identification of Students at Risk of drug abuse;
 - (2) What departmental discipline procedures are in place for drug offenders;
 - (3) What is the relationship between the department, schools and the police when it comes to drug control in schools;
 - (4) What rehabilitation programs for students at risk of drug abuse does the department subscribe to;
 - (5) What is the make-up of department teaching teams;
 - (6) Does the department draw on experts to assist with the implementation of programs that exist; and
 - (7) Is there a procedure in place for consultation and education of parents of students at risk of drug abuse.
- 383 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services – In relation to programs existing within schools targeting children at risk, specifically:
- (1) What program/s are currently implemented in schools;
 - (2) What is the structure of the program/s implemented in schools;
 - (3) What are the departments guidelines governing decisions of separation of children at risk;
 - (4) What teacher support programs are in place for schools, particularly those which are identified as having a high percentage of children at risk.
- 384 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services – Could you provide a full and detailed cost breakdown of the Inquiry into ACT Education Funding including:
- (1) The travel costs incurred by Ms Connors;
 - (2) The travel costs incurred by anyone commissioned for the inquiry by Ms Connors;
 - (3) The accommodation costs incurred by Ms Connors;
 - (4) The accommodation costs incurred by anyone commissioned for the inquiry by Ms Connors;
 - (5) All administrative costs for the Inquiry, including costs incurred by the department in the deployment of staff to Ms Connors;
 - (6) The expense of printing and publishing the report;
 - (7) The cost of consultants contracted by Ms Connors for the report;
 - (8) The cost of obtaining data and information for the report;
 - (9) All other expenses incurred for the completion of the report;
 - (10) Whether the expense of the report came within the budgeted \$250,000.

385 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services – Could you provide detailed information on the history of fire prevention programs in schools for the last 10 years, specifically:

- (a) What is the history of fire prevention programs in schools;
- (b) Has the department commissioned the design of any fire prevention programs;
- (c) How many schools received the current program in 2002;
- (d) What is the nature/duration of fire prevention training;
- (e) Who presents the training;
- (f) Is the training compulsory;
- (g) What year groups/ ages levels is the training directed at;
- (h) Does it entail safety procedure awareness;
- (i) Does any element of it encompass arson;
- (j) Does the program teach students about the environmental behaviour of fires.

386 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to funding for the upgrade of Majura Road:

- (1) Has any funding been cut from the budget of this particular project;
- (2) If so, could you explain why;
- (3) If not, in Budget paper 3, 2002-03, page 203, it says that the Majura Road upgrade is a \$3.5 million project, how do you explain the discrepancy of \$0.3 million with a recent press release from your office promoting the road as a \$3.2 million project;
- (4) Are there any other road works as part of the Traffic Congestion and Road Safety Improvement Program in the 2002-03 Budget that have not commenced as of 17 February 2003;
- (5) If there are outstanding works, could a list of those works that have not commenced be provided along with funding allocations.

387 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to Anthony Rolfe Avenue extension (bypassing Gungahlin Town Centre):

- (1) How much money has been expended on this project to date;
- (2) Why was a sign taken down in front of that road extension (adjacent to the Gungahlin Joint Emergency Services Centre) indicating that the road extension would be complete at the end of 2002;
- (3) Is this road extension behind schedule;
- (4) When will the road extension be completed.

388 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Disability, Housing and Community Services – In relation to surplus storage of ACT Housing property:

- (1) How many household loads of furniture can be stored on the premises of an ACT Housing property managed by a community group on behalf of ACT Housing;
- (2) How is it possible for a large amount of furniture (ie: to the tune of seven households) to be stored, for example, in a shed on an ACT Housing premises, when another person has been allocated that accommodation but is not using anything from the storage shed;
- (3) Shouldn't the new tenant be allowed free access to the shed cleared of surplus housing property and if not, why not;
- (4) Has any property been stolen from ACT Housing blocks that have also been used for surplus stock storage in the last 12 months;
- (5) Are there any considerations in the legislation or regulations for the privacy of occupants and or the amenity of the neighbouring properties where surplus stock is stored;
- (6) Why isn't surplus ACT Housing furniture stored at a facility like 'You Can Stow It';
- (7) Will the Government consider storing surplus ACT Housing stock at an external facility instead of in the suburbs.

389 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Planning – In relation to building close to boundary fences:

- (1) What approval process does a person or organisation have to go through to construct, for example, a shed close to another's boundary fence;
- (2) What should a person on a neighbouring property do if this structure has been erected less than 2.1 metres from the boundary fence;
- (3) How does one inquire into whether due process has been followed in a particular circumstance;
- (4) What rights does the neighbour (to the yard with the additional structure) have in regards to a structure too close to their boundary fence.

390 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Disability, Housing and Community Services – In relation to the public housing waiting list:

- (1) How many residents are currently on the public housing waiting list;

- (2) How many residents are currently on the priority public housing waiting list;
- (3) How many sole parents are currently on the priority public housing waiting list;
- (4) How many sole parents are currently on the priority public housing waiting list who have three or more children;
- (5) What is the average time that a resident is on: (a) the waiting list and (b) the priority list;
- (6) Has the average time for people on the waiting list improved in the last (a) 3, (b) 6, (c) 9 and (d) 12 months and could figures be provided;
- (7) What is the average time to move someone from public housing accommodation who does not have suitable accommodation (eg: has only a three bedroom home but has five children with another on the way and one of those children has to sleep in the kitchen area in a cot);
- (8) What measures, if any, has the government implemented to reduce waiting list times and allow for accommodation transfers.

20 February 2003

(30 days expires 22 March 2003)

391 MR STEFANIAK: To ask the Treasurer – In relation to the announcement by Canbet that it was relocating out of Canberra:

- (1) How much annual revenue will be lost to the Territory as a result of the relocation;
- (2) How many staff have been/will be made redundant;
- (3) Did the ACT Government meet with representatives of Canbet in relation to this proposed relocation from Canberra and, if so, when and where;
- (4) Was any incentive offered by Canbet to remain in Canberra, and if so what was offered and when was it offered;
- (5) Has the government considered or taken any moves to change the percentage rate of gaming turnover it has received from Canbet and similar organisations engaged in sports betting and if any moves have taken place, list details of those moves;
- (6) List the remaining sports betting operators in Canberra and what their turnover was for the last full year reported and also, detail in each instance what revenue was paid as a result to the ACT Government.

- 392 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Chief Minister – Further to your reply to Question on Notice 343 in relation to the ACT Remuneration Tribunal determination No 108 that elected Assembly non-Executive Members are entitled to a vehicle equivalent to “a Zone 2 executive in the ACT Public Service” (recommended retail price \$43, 731) and that Zone 2 executives have three salary levels namely: (a) Level 2.4 - \$125, 633; (b) Level 2.5 - \$135, 173; (c) Level 2.6 - \$157, 780:
- (1) What basic salary does a non-Executive Member of the Assembly earn per annum;
 - (2) What superannuation amount would a Zone 2 executive be entitled to at a, b and c above, after (a) 3, (b) 6, (c) 9, (d) 12, and (e) 15 years of service;
 - (3) What equivalent superannuation amount would an elected non-Executive Member of the Assembly be entitled to after (a) 3, (b) 6, (c) 9, (d) 12, and (e) 15 years of service.
- 393 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Disability, Housing and Community Services – In relation to the recent upgrades at Allawah and Bega Courts:
- (1) From which budget (ie: 2001-02 or 2002-03) was funding allocated for the \$2.7 million facelift of Allawah and Bega Court flats;
 - (2) How much money was allocated in that particular budget for the upgrade of Allawah and Bega Court flats;
 - (3) Did the project come in under, over or equal to that amount;
 - (4) If the project came in under budget where will the additional money now been spent or transferred to;
 - (5) If the project was over budget where did the additional funds come from to fund the excess cost;
 - (6) Did lighting works actually improve safety and lighting in the area;
 - (7) Has a lux assessment of light been undertaken;
 - (8) Will the improved lighting disturb any other public housing or private tenants nearby (ie: increased brightness in light that may shine in windows);
 - (9) Are there any other outstanding internal or external works of this nature in ACT Housing, if so, could a list please be provided along with costings and forecast completion dates.

394 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Health – In relation to refurbishments at the Belconnen Health Centre as part of the Capital Works Budget:

- (1) How much money was allocated in the 2002-03 Budget for this project;
- (2) How much money was originally allocated in the 2001-02 Budget for this project;
- (3) Is there a difference in the overall funding allocation from 2001-02 to 2002-03 and if so why;
- (4) If there is a difference where has (a) any additional funding come from, or (b) where has a reduction in expenditure on this project now been transferred to for expenditure;
- (5) Has work on this project been completed, if not what is the completion date;
- (6) To whom was the contract let.

395 MR SMYTH: To ask the Chief Minister – In relation to telecommunication services in Gungahlin, the Chief Minister has stated that Telstra has recognised Gungahlin is an area of priority need and concerns about broadband coverage and mobile phone coverage would be addressed (press statement 19.02.03):

- (1) Has Telstra given a timeframe of when the issue will be addressed, if so can it be provided, if not, will the Government contact Telstra and ask for such a timeframe to be provided;
- (2) Has Telstra indicated how it will address the problems, if not will you contact Telstra to find out and present details to the Assembly;
- (3) Will the Government bear any cost of Telstra's efforts to improve telecommunications in Gungahlin, if so are there any preliminary figures, and if you are not aware will you contact Telstra to find out and present details to the Assembly;
- (4) Will businesses or residential areas be addressed first, and if this information has not been communicated will you contact Telstra to find out and present details to the Assembly;
- (5) Will the issue of mobile coverage and broadband be addressed simultaneously, or will one be addressed before the other, and if so which one will be addressed first, and if you are not aware will you contact Telstra to find out and present details to the Assembly;

396 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Planning – In relation to the interest of the National Zoo and Aquarium acquiring additional land to develop, among other things, a free range area for endangered species, can you advise:

- (1) Has the Zoo applied for an increase in land for its activities;
- (2) What consideration has been given to date to this application;
- (3) Has the National Capital Authority been involved in the consideration of this application;
- (4) What advice, if any, has the Authority provided on this application;
- (5) Have there been any meetings held between the Zoo and the Minister and/or the Authority to discuss this application;
- (6) When is it expected that a decision on the application will be made.

397 MR STEFANIAK: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to the Belconnen indoor swimming pool complex:

- (1) Where is construction up to;
- (2) Is the project running according to schedule and to Budget;
- (3) When is the project expected to be completed.

398 MR STEFANIAK: To ask the Minister for Arts and Heritage – In relation to the funding removed from the Budget for the Link Project:

- (1) Where has the \$6.8 million allocated as part of the 2001-02 Budget for the Link Project, removed as part of the 2002-03, now been allocated;
- (2) Has that money remained in the arts portfolio or spent elsewhere;
- (3) Can you prepare a breakdown of where the funding has been spent or transferred to, if not, why not;
- (4) What is the Government planning to do to replace this project that would have boosted arts in the ACT along with creating jobs during construction phase.

4 March 2003

(30 days expires 3 April 2003)

*399 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Disability, Housing and Community Services – In relation to public housing complex upgrades:

- (1) An amount of \$1.1 million has been announced to upgrade Windeyer Court in Watson, can you provide a breakdown of the areas of improvements this allocation will cover;
- (2) In a Canberra Times article on 26 February 2003 (page 10) it says this work is part of a 10 year program to upgrade ACT Housing flats. What was the first year this program commenced;
- (3) Can you provide details of which ACT Housing properties have been upgraded as part of the program;
- (4) Can you provide details of how much each upgrade has cost to date;
- (5) Can you provide details of how many properties are still to be upgraded under this program and the associated costs.

*400 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Disability, Housing and Community Services – In relation to the security of public housing stock for tenants:

- (1) Is there a regular security audit undertaken in public housing, checking security of things like doors, windows, fire hydrants etc, if not, why not;
- (2) How regularly do such audits take place and, if such audits do not take place, will the government consider implementing regular security audits on public housing stock;
- (3) If tenants have concerns about security where should they turn to for assistance, in particular regarding (a) broken door locks (b) insecure windows (c) poor complex lighting and, (d) fire hydrants.

*401 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Education – In relation to the Inquiry into Workforce Issues in the ACT Child Care Industry:

- (1) How much did this case study cost;
- (2) Where did the funds for this case study come from (ie: within existing Department budget);
- (3) What percentage of the material in this report is (a) new information; (b) information the Department already had and, (c) the terms of reference re-written or paraphrased;
- (4) What steps will the Government now take to deal with concerns raised in the report;
- (5) When will the Government act on any recommendations provided in this report;

*402 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Disability, Housing and Community Services:

- (1) In (a) 2001-2002 and (b) 2002-2003 to 31 December 2002, how many children known to Family Services have died in the ACT by misadventure, ie. accidental drowning, possible abuse, neglect, etc;
- (2) How many of the above at (1) came to the professional attention of Family Services prior to their death and what action was taken by Family Services to address their individual problems;
- (3) How many at (1) and (2) above came to the attention of people required by law under the provision of the *Children and Young People Act 1999* (as amended) to so report and were not reported;
- (4) What action is being taken against those who failed to fulfil their legal obligations under mandatory reporting;
- (5) What steps are being taken to compel people required under mandatory reporting to do so;
- (6) If no action is being taken, what is the purpose of the legal requirement for mandatory reporting and why should it not be repealed.

*403 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to paid parking in Belconnen and Tuggeranong:

- (1) Where is the Government up to with plans for paid parking in Belconnen and Tuggeranong;
- (2) Has a decision been made on which method of paid parking will be implemented;
- (3) When will residents in (a) Belconnen and (b) Tuggeranong begin paying for parking;
- (4) Can a detailed list of the areas that will be subject to paid parking in (a) Belconnen and (b) Tuggeranong be provided;
- (5) How much money has been expended on this project to date.

*404 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to a commitment by the Chief Minister to undertake a risk assessment of Dumas Street, McKellar:

- (1) On Chief Minister talkback on 21 February 2003 Mr Stanhope told a caller that he would ensure that the Department of Urban Services would undertake a risk assessment on Dumas St in McKellar, has any

work been started on this risk assessment, if so, could you provide details, if not why not;

- (2) When do you expect this risk assessment to be completed;
- (3) Are there any estimates how much this risk assessment will cost and where will any funding for the assessment come from (ie: within DUS budget or elsewhere);
- (4) Have any options been presented to you by the Department of Urban Services for reducing the traffic hazard for local residents in Dumas Street;
- (5) How much would it cost to (a) put up signs reducing the speed limit, or (b) construct speed humps in Dumas Street;
- (6) How many complaints has the Government received about a traffic hazard in Dumas Street;
- (7) If it is found that work is needed in eliminating a traffic hazard in Dumas Street, will the Government commit to that project as part of the Capital Works program in the 2003-04 Budget.

*405 MR STEFANIAK: To ask the Minister for Education – In relation to the heating of classrooms at the Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT):

- (1) Is it correct that the CIT heats classrooms on its campuses during normal business hours but does not heat classrooms for night time classes;
- (2) If yes, why;
- (3) Could you please detail the cost of heating for the last 12 months of each CIT campus.

*406 MR STEFANIAK: To ask the Minister for Sport, Racing and Gaming – In relation to relocating Sport and Recreation ACT from Tuggeranong to Civic:

- (1) How much did it cost to relocate Sport and Recreation ACT;
- (2) Will Sport and Recreation ACT's new location save the government money, if so, how much, if not, why not and why move;
- (3) How much was the lease/rent at Homeworld and can you provide comparative figures for the lease/rent at the Nara Centre;

- (4) Has Sport and Recreation ACT lost any employees that weren't content with the office relocation, if so, is this having any impact on the working capabilities of Sport and Recreation ACT;

*407 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Disability, Housing and Community Services – In relation to a ACT Housing rental arrears and evictions:

- (1) How many families were evicted for non payment of rent in (a) 2001-02 and (b) 2002-03 to 31 December 2002;
- (2) What was the total amount due by these families in each of these years;
- (3) How many children of these families were taken into care by Family Services in the years at (1) above.

*408 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to the new Dalrymple/Goyder Streets, Narrabundah intersection:

- (1) When two vehicles are travelling in intersecting directions, if one is facing a Give Way sign and the other a Stop sign, who has right of way;
- (2) Does a Give Way sign mean give way to all traffic or only traffic from one direction;
- (3) Has any legal advice been received concerning the legal position of a vehicle facing a Give Way sign proceeding if there is other traffic waiting at the intersection;
- (4) Does the legal advice indicate whether it is illegal to proceed at (3) above, what is the position given the signage at this intersection;
- (5) What was the traffic volume at this intersection in (a) 1999-2000, (b) 2000-01 and (c) 2001-02 for (i) weekdays during school terms (ii) weekdays during school holidays and (iii) weekends.
- (6) What are the traffic accident statistics for the same periods in (i), (ii) and (iii) at (5) above;
- (7) Has any analysis been conducted as to why motorists use (a) Dalrymple and (b) Goyder Streets, and if so, what were the findings.

*409 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to Flemington Road corner, Mitchell:

- (1) How many accidents have occurred at this intersection since it was first extended through to Gungahlin in 2001;

- (2) Have any of these accidents resulted in death;
- (3) How many of these accidents have involved (a) single vehicle (b) two vehicle (c) three vehicle and (d) more than three vehicles;
- (4) Have there been any complaints about this corner to either yourself, police, Mitchell traders or the Department of Urban Services;
- (5) Does the Government consider this a black spot for accidents;
- (6) If yes to (5), would the Government consider undertaking a feasibility study to see if any traffic calming measure could be implemented to reduce accidents at this site.

*410 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Disability, Housing and Community Services – In relation to the ACT Housing Business Case:

- (1) Has a final version of the *ACT Housing Business Case - Proposal for Capital Works Funding for Replacement Stock and Fire Safety Improvements for Large Multi Unit Sites*, been prepared or released;
- (2) If not, why not and when will the Government release its program for Public Housing stock in the Territory, if so, could a copy please be attached in the response to this question;
- (3) Can you confirm or rule out if the following stock is still scheduled for withdrawal as stated in the *ACT Housing Business Case – Proposal for Capital Works Funding for Replacement Stock and Fire Safety Improvements for Large Multi Unit Sites*;
 - (a) 2002-03: Owen Flats, De Burgh Maisonettes, Lyneham Flats and Currong Apartments;
 - (b) 2003-04: Gowrie court;
 - (c) 2004-05: Kanangra Court;
 - (d) 2005-06: Stuart Flats;
 - (e) 2007-08: Northbourne, Turner;
 - (f) 2009 to 10: Northbourne, Braddon;
 - (g) 2010 to 11: Allawah Court;
 - (h) 2011 to 12: Bega Court.
- (4) The draft document also says: '*The Dickson properties, Dickson Flats (21 units) and Karuah Maisonettes (30 units), are in similar condition to the Lyneham properties and while not listed above should also be vacated and sold as soon as possible.*' What is the status on the Dickson properties;
- (5) The draft document says: '*Lyneham Flats, Dickson Flats and Kanangra Court all comprise bedsit units. This type of accommodation is no*

longer considered appropriate for public housing.’ Will these properties be withdrawn for that reason, if not, why not, if so, when;

- (6) Will any future new public housing stock comprise bedsit units;
- (7) Has any property been earmarked for possible new public housing stock in Canberra;
- (8) Will there be any new public housing stock (a) established or (b) planned for in Canberra before the October 2004 election.

M J McRae

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

COMMITTEES

Unless otherwise shown, appointed for the life of the Fifth Assembly. The dates of the amendments to the committees’ resolution of appointment are reflected, but not changes in the membership.

Standing

Pursuant to standing order

ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURE: *(Formed 12 November 2001):* The Speaker *(Presiding Member)*, Ms Dundas, Mrs Dunne *(from 18 February 2003)*, Mr Hargreaves, Ms MacDonald *(during the absence of Mr Hargreaves from 11-27 May 2002)*.

Pursuant to resolution

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SOCIAL EQUITY: *(Formed 11 December 2001; Amendment to resolution of appointment 21 November 2002):* Mr Hargreaves *(Chair)*, Mr Cornwell *(from 21 November 2002)*, Mrs Cross, Ms Dundas.

EDUCATION: *(Formed 11 December 2001):* Ms MacDonald *(Chair)*, Ms Dundas, Mr Pratt.

HEALTH: *(Formed 11 December 2001):* Ms Tucker *(Chair)*, Mrs Burke *(from 18 February 2003)*, Ms MacDonald.

LEGAL AFFAIRS: *(Formed 11 December 2001):* Mr Stefaniak *(Chair)*, Mr Hargreaves, Ms Tucker.

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT: *(Formed 11 December 2001; Amendment to resolution of appointment 21 November 2002):* Mrs Dunne *(Chair)*, Mrs Cross *(from 21 November 2002)*, Ms Dundas, Mr Hargreaves *(from 30 January 2003)*.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: *(Formed 11 December 2001): Mr Smyth (Chair), Ms MacDonald (from 30 January 2003), Ms Tucker.*

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ESTIMATES 2001-02: *(Formed 19 February 2002): Mr Humphries (Chair), Ms Dundas, Mr Hargreaves. (Presented 9 April 2002).*

ESTIMATES 2002-03: *(Formed 6 June 2002): Mr Humphries (Chair), Mr Hargreaves (Deputy Chair), Ms Dundas, Mrs Dunne, Ms Gallagher. (Printing, circulation and publication authorised 19 August 2002; presented 20 August 2002)*

PRIVILEGES: *(Formed 6 June 2002): Ms Tucker (Chair), Mr Hargreaves (Deputy Chair), Mr Smyth. (Presented 14 November 2002).*

STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE ACT: *(Formed 11 December 2001): Ms Gallagher (Chair), Mrs Cross, Ms Dundas. (Presented 21 November 2002).*