

1995-96

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 49

THURSDAY, 16 MAY 1996

1 The Assembly met at 10.30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. A quorum of Members not being present, the Speaker (Mr Cornwell) ordered the bells to be rung. A quorum having been formed the Speaker took the Chair and asked Members to stand in silence and pray or reflect on their responsibilities to the people of the Australian Capital Territory.

2 **PETITION**

The Clerk announced that the following Member had lodged a petition for presentation:

Mr Hird, from 49 residents, requesting that the lease and development application for the community sporting facilities in McKellar be approved.

3 **LEGISLATION (REPUBLICATION) BILL 1996**

Mr Humphries (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the republication of legislation and for related purposes.

Paper: Mr Humphries presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Title read by Clerk.

Mr Humphries moved - That this Bill be agreed to in principle.

Debate adjourned (Ms Follett) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

4 **WEAPONS ACT - WEAPONS REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT) - NO. 5 OF 1996 - MOTION FOR DISALLOWANCE**

Ms Follett, pursuant to notice, moved - That the Weapons Regulations (Amendment) which is regulation No. 5 of 1996, made under the *Weapons Act 1991*, relating to Paintball, be disallowed.

Debate ensued.

It being 45 minutes after the commencement of Assembly business -

Mr Berry, pursuant to standing order 77(e), moved - That the time allotted to Assembly business be extended by 30 minutes.

Question - put and passed.

Debate continued.

Question - That the motion be agreed to - put.

The Assembly voted -

Ayes, 8		Noes, 9	
Mr Berry	Ms Reilly	Mrs Carnell	Mr Kaine
Ms Follett	Ms Tucker	Mr Cornwell	Mr Moore
Ms Horodny	Mr Whitecross	Mr De Domenico	Mr Osborne
Ms McRae	Mr Wood	Mr Hird	Mr Stefaniak
		Mr Humphries	

And so it was negatived.

5 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 1995-96 - SELECT COMMITTEE - REPORT - APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 2) 1995-96 - GOVERNMENT RESPONSE - MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mrs Carnell (Treasurer) - That the Assembly takes note of the paper (*presented 14 May 1996*) -

Additional Estimates 1995-96 - Select Committee - Report - Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 1995-96 - Government response, dated May 1996 -

Debate adjourned (Mr Whitecross - Leader of the Opposition) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

6 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS - STANDING COMMITTEE - REPORT NO. 9 - REVIEW OF AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT NUMBER 1, 1995 - GOVERNMENT PASSENGER CARS - MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Ms Follett - That the report be noted (*presented 7 December 1995*) -

Public Accounts - Standing Committee - Report No. 9 - Review of Auditor-General's Report Number 1, 1995 - Government Passenger Cars, dated December 1995 -

Debate resumed.

Paper: Mrs Carnell (Chief Minister) presented the following paper:

Public Accounts - Standing Committee - Report No. 9 - Review of Auditor-General's Report Number 1, 1995 - Government Passenger Cars - Government response.

Debate adjourned (Mr Wood) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

7 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS - STANDING COMMITTEE - REPORT NO. 14 - REVIEW OF AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT NUMBER 7, 1995 - ACTEW BENCHMARKED - MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED

Mr Wood (Chair) presented the following report:

Public Accounts - Standing Committee - Report No. 14 - Review of Auditor-General's Report Number 7, 1995 - ACTEW Benchmarked, dated May 1996 -

and moved - That the report be noted.

Debate ensued.

Debate adjourned (Mr De Domenico - Minister for Urban Services) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

8 SCRUTINY OF BILLS AND SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION - STANDING COMMITTEE - REPORT NO. 5 OF 1996 - STATEMENT BY CHAIR

Ms Follett (Chair) presented the following report:

Scrutiny of Bills and Subordinate Legislation - Standing Committee - Report No. 5 of 1996, dated 16 May 1996 -

and, by leave, made a statement with reference to the report.

9 STANDING ORDERS 54 AND 55 - STATEMENT BY SPEAKER

The Speaker made a statement concerning the operation of standing orders 54 and 55.

10 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked -

Papers: Mr Berry, by leave, presented the following papers:

Acton/Kingston Land Swap - Copies of transcripts of -

Planning and Environment - Standing Committee - Inquiry, page 25.

Radio 2CN 7.00 a.m. news, 16 May 1996.

Radio 2CN 7.45 a.m. news, 16 May 1996.

Paper: Mrs Carnell (Chief Minister) presented the following paper:

Acton/Kingston Land Exchange - Copy of minute to Annabelle Pegrum, Executive Director, Cabinet and Policy Co-ordination Office, Chief Minister's Department from Gary Prattley, Chief Planner, ACT Planning Authority, dated 15 May 1996.

Questions continued.

Paper: Mr Moore, by leave, presented the following paper:

School bus overcrowding - Copy of letter from Mr De Domenico (Minister for Urban Services) to Mr Michael Moore, MLA, dated 8 May 1996.

11 LAND - 1996 UNIMPROVED VALUES - PAPERS

Ms Carnell (Chief Minister) presented the following papers:

Land - 1996 unimproved values - Tables showing -

Statistics - Non-residential suburbs.

Statistics - Private single residential.

Statistical summary for residential purposes.

12 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT NO. 6 OF 1996 - COLLECTION OF COURT FINES - PUBLICATION OF PAPER

The Speaker presented the following paper:

Audit Act - Auditor-General's Report - No. 6 of 1996 - Collection of Court Fines, dated 16 May 1996.

Mr Humphries (Manager of Government Business), by leave, moved - That the Assembly authorises the publication of the Auditor-General's Report No. 6 of 1996.

Question - put and passed.

13 GUNGAHLIN TOWN CENTRE - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER

Mr De Domenico (Minister for Urban Services), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning the Gungahlin Town Centre and presented the following paper:

Gungahlin Town Centre - Ministerial statement, 16 May 1996 -

and moved - That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

Debate adjourned (Mr Wood) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

14 COMMERCIAL VEHICLES - PARKING IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER - PAPERS NOTED

Mr De Domenico (Minister for Urban Services), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning the parking of vehicles used for commercial purposes in residential areas and presented the following papers:

Commercial vehicles - Parking in residential areas -

Ministerial statement, 16 May 1996.

Rules for parking on residential leases of vehicles used for commercial purposes.

Mr De Domenico moved - That the Assembly takes note of the papers.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

15 WEAPONS (AMENDMENT) BILL (NO. 2) 1996

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question - That this Bill be agreed to in principle -

Debate resumed.

Ms Tucker addressing the Assembly -

Adjournment negatived: It being past 5 p.m. - The question was proposed - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Mr Humphries (Manager of Government Business) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate -

Question - put and negatived.

Debate continued.

Question - That this Bill be agreed to in principle - put and passed.

Leave granted to dispense with the detail stage.

Question - That this Bill be agreed to - put and the Speaker having ascertained that it was the wish of the Assembly to proceed to a vote -

The Assembly voted -

Ayes, 15

Noes, 0

Mr Berry	Ms McRae
Mrs Carnell	Mr Moore
Mr Cornwell	Ms Reilly
Mr De Domenico	Mr Stefaniak
Ms Follett	Ms Tucker
Mr Hird	Mr Whitecross
Ms Horodny	Mr Wood
Mr Humphries	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative - Bill agreed to.

16 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Humphries (Manager of Government Business) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Retirement of Mr Keith Johnson - Statement by Speaker: The Speaker made a statement informing the Assembly of the retirement of Mr Keith Johnson, the Serjeant-at-Arms.

Debate ensued on the question - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly, at 6.04 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, 21 May 1996 at 10.30 a.m.

MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE: All Members were present at some time during the sitting.

M.J. McRAE
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly