



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE  
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

**2004–2005–2006**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**No. 82**

**THURSDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2006**

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**1** The Assembly met at 10.30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (Mr Berry) 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 CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL REPORT—PRESS RELEASE—STATEMENT BY MEMBER**

Mr Mulcahy, by leave, made a statement in relation to a press release issued by him concerning the Consolidated Financial Report for the financial quarter and year-to-date ending 30 September 2006.

**3 LONG SERVICE LEAVE (CONTRACT CLEANING INDUSTRY) AMENDMENT BILL 2006**

Mr Barr (Minister for Industrial Relations), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Long Service Leave (Contract Cleaning Industry) Act 1999*.

*Papers:* Mr Barr presented the following papers:

Explanatory statement to the Bill.

Human Rights Act, pursuant to section 37—Compatibility statement, dated 15 November 2006.

Title read by Clerk.

Mr Barr moved—That this Bill be agreed to in principle.

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

**4 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 20—DRAFT VARIATION TO THE TERRITORY PLAN NO. 256—KINGSTON GROUP CENTRE PART SECTION 22—REPORT NOTED**

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Gentleman (Chair)—That the report be noted (*presented 6 June 2006*)—

Planning and Environment—Standing Committee—Report 20—*Draft Variation to the Territory Plan No. 256—Kingston Group Centre Part Section 22*, dated 30 May 2006—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and passed.

**5 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 17—WILDLIFE CORRIDORS AND DV231—EAST GUNGAHLIN SUBURBS OF KENNY AND THROSBY AND GOOROOPYARRO NATURE RESERVE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—PAPER NOTED**

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning)—That the Assembly takes note of the paper (*presented 6 June 2006*)—

Planning and Environment—Standing Committee—Report 17—*Wildlife Corridors and DV231—East Gungahlin Suburbs of Kenny and Throsby and Goorooyarro Nature Reserve*—Government response—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and passed.

**6 EDUCATION, TRAINING AND YOUNG PEOPLE—STANDING COMMITTEE—INQUIRY—RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PRINCIPLES IN YOUTH SETTINGS—STATEMENT BY CHAIR**

Ms Porter (Chair), pursuant to standing order 246A, informed the Assembly that the Standing Committee on Education, Training and Young People had resolved to examine the issue of bullying as part of the inquiry into restorative justice.

**7 HEALTH AND DISABILITY—STANDING COMMITTEE—INQUIRY—IMPLICATIONS OF THE USE OF THE DRUG CRYSTAL METHAMPHETAMINE—STATEMENT BY CHAIR**

Ms MacDonald (Chair), by leave, informed the Assembly that the Standing Committee on Health and Disability had resolved to conduct an inquiry into the implications of the use of the drug crystal methamphetamine, also known as ice, for the ACT community.

**8 EXECUTIVE BUSINESS—PRECEDENCE**

Ordered—That Executive business be called on forthwith.

**9 LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER**

Ms MacDonald moved—That leave of absence be given to Mr Corbell (Attorney-General) for this sitting.

Question—put and passed.

**10 FISHERIES AMENDMENT BILL 2006**

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.

*Paper:* Dr Foskey, by leave, presented the following paper:

Sustainable seafood—3 step pocket guide, produced by the Australian Marine Conservation Society.

Debate continued.

*Paper:* Mr Hargreaves (Minister for the Territory and Municipal Services) presented a revised explanatory statement to the Bill.

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 passed.

**11 CANBERRA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (VALIDATION OF FEES) BILL 2006**

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.

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 passed.

**12 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS**

Mr Stanhope (Chief Minister) informed the Assembly of the absence of Mr Corbell (Attorney-General) and advised the Assembly that questions without notice normally directed to Mr Corbell could be directed to Ms Gallagher (Deputy Chief Minister)

**13 QUESTIONS**

Questions without notice were asked.

**14 GAMING MACHINE ACT—COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY GAMING MACHINE LICENSEES—NINTH REPORT BY THE ACT GAMBLING AND RACING COMMISSION—PAPER AND STATEMENT BY MINISTER—PAPER NOTED**

Mr Stanhope (Treasurer) presented the following paper:

Gaming Machine Act, pursuant to section 168—Community contributions made by gaming machine licensees—Ninth report by the ACT Gambling and Racing Commission—1 July 2005 to 30 June 2006, dated 13 October 2006—

and, by leave, made a statement in relation to the paper.

Mr Stanhope moved—That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

Question—put and passed.

**15 PRESENTATION OF PAPER**

Ms Gallagher (Deputy Chief Minister) presented the following paper:

Petition which does not conform with the standing orders—Reid Pre-School—Proposed closure—Ms Porter (440 signatures).

**16 MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—DISCUSSION—EMERGENCY SERVICES—EQUIPPING AND TRAINING**

The Assembly was informed that Mr Gentleman, Ms MacDonald, Ms Porter, Mr Pratt, and Mr Smyth had proposed that matters of public importance be submitted to the Assembly for discussion. In accordance with the provisions of standing order 79, the Speaker had determined that the matter proposed by Mr Pratt be submitted to the Assembly, namely, “The equipping and training of our emergency services”.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

**17 GAMING MACHINE ACT—COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY GAMING MACHINE LICENSEES—NINTH REPORT BY THE ACT GAMBLING AND RACING COMMISSION—PAPER NOTED—RESCISSION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**

Dr Foskey, by leave, moved—That the resolution of the Assembly of today, relating to the agreement that the ninth report of the ACT Gambling and Racing Commission on community contributions made by gaming machine licensees for the period 1 July 2005 to 30 June 2006 be noted, be rescinded, and that the Assembly reconsider the motion—That the Assembly takes note of the paper—forthwith.

Question—put and passed.

Question—That the Assembly takes note of the paper—put.

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

**18 ADJOURNMENT**

Mr Hargreaves (Minister for the Territory and Municipal Services) moved—That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the Assembly, at 5.03 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, 21 November 2006 at 10.30 a.m.

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**MEMBERS’ ATTENDANCE:** All Members were present at some time during the sitting, except Mr Corbell\*.

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**Tom Duncan**  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly