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**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 56

TUESDAY, 25 JUNE 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 21 residents, requesting that the lease and development application for the community sporting facilities in McKellar be approved.

3 RATES AND LAND TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL 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.

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

Detail stage

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole -

On the motion of Mr Whitecross (Leader of the Opposition) the following amendment was made, after debate: Paragraph 4 (d), page 2, lines 16 to 18 (inclusive), proposed subsection 11A (4), omit the subsection, substitute the following subsection:

“(4) In this section—

‘special relevant date’ means 1 January 1995 or 1 January 1996.”.

Bill, as a whole, as amended, agreed to.

Question - That this Bill, as amended, be agreed to - put and passed.

4 BETTING (CORPORATISATION) (CONSEQUENTIAL PROVISIONS) BILL 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.

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

Detail stage

Clause 1 -

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

5 BETTING (CORPORATISATION) (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 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 -

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

Detail stage

Clause 1 -

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

6 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT - STANDING COMMITTEE - CIVIC CULTURAL CENTRE - STATEMENT BY CHAIR

Mr Moore (Chair), pursuant to standing order 246A, made a statement to the Assembly concerning the Civic Cultural Centre on behalf of the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment.

Mr Humphries (Minister for the Environment, Land and Planning), by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

7 CRIMES (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.

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.

8 FIREARMS CONTROL - UNIFORM NATIONAL SCHEME - AUSTRALASIAN POLICE MINISTERS' COUNCIL MEETING - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - PAPER NOTED

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Humphries (Minister for Police) - That the Assembly takes note of the paper (*presented 14 May 1996*) -

Firearms Control - Uniform National Scheme - Australasian Police Ministers' Council Meeting - Ministerial statement, 14 May 1996 -

Debate resumed.

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

Firearms control -

Letter to Mr Michael Moore from T J Kent, dated 4 June 1996, enclosing -

Copies of letters from A R (Tony) Pitt - National Chairman, THE AUSTRALIANS to -
All Loyal Australians, dated 13 May 1996.

Mr Russell Cooper, Minister for Police, dated 14 May 1996.

Paper entitled "Never Give Up".

Debate continued.

Question - put and passed.

9 GUNGAHLIN TOWN CENTRE - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - PAPER NOTED

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr De Domenico (Minister for Urban Services) - That the Assembly takes note of the paper (*presented 16 May 1996*) -

Gungahlin Town Centre - Ministerial statement, 16 May 1996 -

Question - put and passed.

10 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were asked.

11 MOTION - LEAVE NOT GRANTED

Mr Berry sought leave to move a motion.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

12 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS MOVED - DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY

Mr Berry moved - That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Berry from moving a motion to discharge order of the day No. 13, Executive business, relating to the Trading Hours Bill 1996.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for the debate having expired -

Question - put.

The Assembly voted -

Ayes, 8

Noes, 9

Mr Berry

Ms Reilly

Mrs Carnell

Mr Humphries

Ms Follett

Mr Whitecross

Mr Cornwell

Mr Kaine

Ms McRae

Mr Wood

Mr De Domenico

Mr Stefaniak

Mr Moore

Mr Hird

Ms Tucker

Mr Osborne

Ms Horodny

And so it was negatived.

13 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS - STANDING COMMITTEE - REPORT NO. 11 - VOLUNTARY PARENT CONTRIBUTION SCHEME - REVISED GOVERNMENT RESPONSE - MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER

Mr Stefaniak (Minister for Education and Training), pursuant to order, presented the following paper:

Public Accounts - Standing Committee - Report No. 11 - Voluntary Parent Contribution Scheme in the ACT School System - Revised Government response -

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

Debate ensued.

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

14 PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

The following papers were presented:

Subordinate Legislation

Motor Traffic Act - Motor Vehicle (Third Party Insurance) Regulations (Amendment) - No. 9 of 1996 (S123, dated 19 June 1996).

National Exhibition Centre Trust Act - Instruments of appointment to the National Exhibition Centre Trust -

No. 93 of 1996 (S120, dated 18 June 1996).

No. 94 of 1996 (S120, dated 18 June 1996).

Public Place Names Act - Determinations of street nomenclature in the Divisions of -

Ngunnawal - No. 96 of 1996 (S122, dated 19 June 1996).

Bruce - No. 97 of 1996 (S122, dated 19 June 1996).

Public Trustee Act - Instrument of appointment to the Public Trustee Investment Board -

No. 98 of 1996 (S126, dated 21 June 1996).

Veterinary Surgeons Act - Determination of fees - No. 92 of 1996 (S118, dated 14 June 1996).

Miscellaneous paper

Treasurer's Monthly Financial Statement for the month of May and year to date ending 31 May 1996.

15 HOSPITAL IN THE HOME - PILOT PROGRAM - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT - PAPER NOTED

Mrs Carnell (Minister for Health and Community Care), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning the establishment of a pilot hospital in the home program and presented the following paper:

Hospital in the home - Establishment of a pilot ACT program - Ministerial statement, 25 June 1996 -

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

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

16 SCRUTINY OF BILLS AND SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION - STANDING COMMITTEE - REPORT NO. 9 OF 1996 - STATEMENT BY CHAIR

Ms Follett (Chair) presented the following report:

Scrutiny of Bills and Subordinate Legislation - Standing Committee - Report No. 9 of 1996, dated 25 June 1996 -

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

17 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT - STANDING COMMITTEE - REFERENCE - AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT NO. 5 OF 1996 - MANAGEMENT OF FORMER SHEEP DIP SITES

Mr Wood (Chair), by leave, moved - That, notwithstanding the resolution of 9 March 1995 relating to the terms of reference of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, Auditor-General's Report No. 5 of 1996 entitled *Management of Former Sheep Dip Sites* be referred to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment for examination and report.

Question - put and passed.

18 REFUGEES WEEK

Mr Kaine, by leave, moved - That the Assembly supports Refugees Week and notes the contribution that refugees have made to the ACT Community.

Mr Kaine addressing the Assembly -

Adjournment negatived: It being 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 ensued.

Question - put and passed.

19 ADJOURNMENT

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

Debate ensued.

Question - put and passed.

And then the Assembly, at 5.51 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow 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