PRIVATE MEMBERS’ BUSINESS

Notices

*1 MR SMYTH: To present a Bill for an Act to provide for a parliamentary budget officer, and for other purposes. *(Notice given 3 May 2016).*

*2 MR COE: To present a Bill for an Act to amend the Unit Titles (Management) Act 2011. *(Notice given 3 May 2016).*

*3 MR HINDER: To move—That this Assembly:

(1) notes that:

(a) the former Prime Minister, Tony Abbott MP, promised in 2013 that there would be “no cuts to education, no cuts to health, no change to pensions and no cuts to the ABC or SBS”;

(b) in its 2014 Budget the Abbott Government cut funding to education, health, concessions for pensioner concession card and seniors card holders, the ABC and SBS;

(c) the Turnbull Government has refused to reinstate the full amount of funding cut from education, health and concessions;
(d) the Commonwealth views repairing its budget as more important than funding health, education and important concessions for pensioners and seniors;

(e) the ACT Government has filled the shortfall in funding caused by the Commonwealth’s axing of the “National Partnership Agreement on Certain Concessions for Pensioner Concession Card and Seniors Card Holders”; and

(f) the Commonwealth has shifted the responsibility for funding this concession directly back on to States and Territories; and

(2) calls on the Government to:

(a) continue to provide support for low-income Canberrans, including through the ACT Concessions Program;

(b) continue to provide high quality health, education and community services for the Canberra community; and

(c) welcome the commitments from Opposition Leader Bill Shorten and federal Labor to resource the full Gonski needs-based funding model for Australia’s schools. (Notice given 3 May 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 8 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).

Orders of the day

1 GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT (CAPITAL METRO) AMENDMENT BILL 2016: (Mr Coe) Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate (from 9 March 2016—Mr Barr).

Notices—continued

*4 MR DOSZPOT: To move—That this Assembly:

(1) notes:

(a) the 2011 Census recorded 38 159 ACT residents or 11 percent of the population, are aged 65 and over;

(b) from June 2012 to June 2013, the ACT had the second highest percentage increase in the 65 years plus population;

(c) the 2015 Inter Generational Report predicts that aged workforce participation (65+) will rise to 17.3 percent from 12.9 percent over the next 40 years;

(d) by 2055, life expectancy at birth will be 85.1 years for men and 96.6 years for women in Australia;

(e) the Chief Minister at his recent State of the Territory address failed to make any mention of Canberra’s senior population; and

(f) that at the event at which the address was delivered, the Chief Minister implied, in response to a question, that seniors were becoming a
problem in the ACT because they chose to stay in Canberra, when previously they retired to the coast, thus posing a future burden on the ACT economy; and

(2) calls on the Chief Minister to:

(a) apologise to Canberra’s seniors’ population for the disrespect he has shown them;
(b) recognise the important contribution that seniors have made to the ACT economy;
(c) acknowledge the vital role that seniors continue to play within the ACT economy and social community;
(d) provide reassurance to ACT seniors that he and the ACT Government do not support ageist policies and attitudes;
(e) ensure equal employment opportunity practices, including for seniors, are applied within the ACT Public Service; and
(f) ensure Government policies and practices identify and appropriately support the needs of ACT seniors. (*Notice given 3 May 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 8 sitting weeks—standing order 125A.*)

*5  MR  WALL:  To  move—That  this  Assembly:

(1) notes:

(a) the rise in numbers of Indigenous detainees at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC) according to recent data released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS);
(b) ongoing security breaches including the recent escape of a prisoner whilst receiving medical treatment at The Canberra Hospital; and
(c) the total cost per prisoner per day at the AMC has reached $421.26, the highest of any jurisdiction in Australia; and

(2) calls on the ACT Government to:

(a) report to the ACT Assembly on the findings of any investigation into the rise in the numbers of Indigenous detainees at the AMC by 30 June 2016; and
(b) commit to implementing a thorough review of management and security practices at the AMC, with an objective to reducing the total cost per prisoner and subsequent impost on ACT taxpayers. (*Notice given 3 May 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 8 sitting weeks—standing order 125A.*)

*6  MS  LAWDER:  To  move—That  this  Assembly:

(1) notes that:

(a) recent research from a consortium comprising ACT Shelter, the ACT Council of Social Service, the Youth Coalition and Women’s Centre for Health Matters found 13 per cent of all ACT households faced housing stress, which equates to about 19,600 households in the ACT;
(b) about 6600 households in the lowest 40 per cent of combined household income found their rent or mortgage payments quite or very difficult to pay in the past three months;

(c) among those individuals and households reporting housing stress in Canberra, single parent families are amongst those who are particularly overrepresented;

(d) in the last 12 months in Canberra, of households in the bottom 40 per cent of household income, 7000 households made compromises on food and household groceries;

(e) the research found “a significant intersection” between gender inequality and housing inequality;

(f) St Vincent de Paul’s recent report, The Ache for Home, states Australia has a crisis in the supply of social and affordable housing, as evidenced by “the hundreds of thousands who are experiencing homelessness, on wait-lists for public housing or living in severe housing stress. Taken together, the statistics tell us that across Australia there are over 105 000 people experiencing homelessness and 875 000 households experiencing housing stress”;

(g) Anglicare Australia’s 2016 Rental Affordability Snapshot was released on 21 April 2016 and notes that “the private rental market in Canberra...is extremely unaffordable for people on a low income, such as minimum wage or government benefits”;

(h) of the 1497 affordable and appropriate properties in the ACT and Queanbeyan surveyed by Anglicare Australia, there were no properties available for a single parent on Newstart Allowance with one child aged over 8;

(i) the Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute’s Supply shortages and affordability outcomes in the private rental sector: short and longer term trends report released in June 2015 shows that of Q1 private renter households (households with incomes of $30 000 a year or less, which would include all single people and single parents with one child, solely reliant on pensions and benefits), 63 per cent of Canberrans were paying severely unaffordable rent. This is in comparison to 31 per cent for the same category of people living in Melbourne and is the second highest percentage after Inner Sydney;

(j) housing stress has a range of detrimental impacts on a person, including financial pressures, as well as impacts on mental health and wellbeing;

(k) the affordability of housing in Canberra is directly related to the rate, timeliness and manner of release of development-ready land; and

(l) the affordability of housing in Canberra is also related to the high cost of Government fees and charges; and

(2) calls on the ACT Government to:

(a) fully implement measures in the Affordable Housing Action Plan to provide the capacity for houses in the “affordable” range;
(b) provide new affordable housing sector supply through private financing;

(c) acknowledge that increasing supply is the only sustainable solution to the provision of market supplied affordable housing for purchase and rental markets. Increasing the housing supply/stock will ensure that supply can meet or exceed demand, therefore moderating price increases, leading to more affordable housing;

(d) guarantee loans to the Community Housing Provider (CHP) sector;

(e) remove barriers that prevent CHPs from recycling their assets;

(f) raise or guarantee affordable housing bonds;

(g) include the active responsibility and administration for responding to homelessness in the role of housing ministers and their departments, including renaming the position to Minister for Housing and Homelessness, with clearly defined strategic responsibility for ensuring that sufficient housing is available for people experiencing exclusion;

(h) amend the ACT Human Rights legislation to recognise the right to housing;

(i) amend ACT anti-discrimination legislation to protect those in housing deprivation;

(j) independently benchmark land development costs every two years;

(k) repeal the lease variation charge in the city and town centres;

(l) establish shovel ready inventory of land for development ahead of demand, based on population projections;

(m) provide information to the Assembly detailing median house prices over the past 10 years, including a breakdown of what percentage is attributable to, the cost of land, the cost of Government fees and charges, the cost of construction and any other costs for new and existing properties; and

(n) report back to the Assembly on all these matters by the last sitting day in June 2016. (Notice given 3 May 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 8 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).

*7 MS BURCH: To move—That this Assembly:

(1) notes that:

(a) on 22 April 2016 representatives from more than 160 countries, including more than 60 heads of state, met at the United Nations’ New York headquarters to sign the Paris Agreement on Climate Change;

(b) urgent action is required by national and sub national governments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions at a rapid rate if there is any hope of meeting the Paris Agreement’s goal of keeping global warming below 2°C;
(c) the ACT Government is continuing to take decisive action on climate change and provide leadership by committing to bring forward the target for net zero carbon emissions in the ACT to 2050, in line with the Paris Agreement, as well as increasing the renewable energy target to 100 percent by 2020; and

(d) because of its commitment to renewable energy to date the ACT Government has attracted renewable energy businesses to the ACT, creating new training programs, research opportunities and jobs, and growing a more robust, diverse and vibrant ACT economy providing $400 million in direct local industry development; and

(2) reaffirms:

(a) its commitment to a 40 percent reduction in ACT’s greenhouse gas emissions by 2020; and

(b) the central role and importance of a 100 percent renewable energy target in achieving this reduction. (Notice given 3 May 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 8 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).

MR COE: To move—That this Assembly calls on the ACT Government to provide the construction and operating costs for the proposed light rail network masterplan before public consultations begin so that taxpayers in Canberra can understand the full ramifications of this project. (Notice given 27 October 2015. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 2 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).

Orders of the day—continued

2 AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY (MINISTERS) BILL 2013: (Mr Hanson): Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate (from 5 June 2013—Mr Barr).

3 PAYROLL TAX AMENDMENT BILL 2013: (Mr Smyth): Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate (from 7 August 2013—Mr Rattenbury).

4 LOTTERIES AMENDMENT BILL 2015: (Mr Wall) Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate (from 28 October 2015—Mr Smyth).

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

Orders of the day

1 LIFETIME CARE AND SUPPORT (CATASTROPHIC INJURIES) AMENDMENT BILL 2016: (Treasurer): Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate (from 7 April 2016—Mr Smyth).


4. **PUBLIC SECTOR BILL 2014**: (Chief Minister): Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate (from 27 November 2014—Mr Hanson).


8. **WORKERS COMPENSATION AMENDMENT BILL 2016**: (Minister for Workplace Safety and Industrial Relations): Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate (from 3 May 2016—Mr Smyth).


10. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT ACT—CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL REPORT—DECEMBER QUARTER 2012—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (from 14 February 2013—Mr Smyth) on the motion of Mr Barr—That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

11. **CLOSING THE GAP REPORT 2013—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (from 8 August 2013—Mr Wall) on the motion of Mr Rattenbury—That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

12. **GROWTH, DIVERSIFICATION AND JOBS—A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE ACT—2013 IMPLEMENTATION REPORT—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (from 17 September 2013—Mr Smyth) on the motion of Mr Barr—That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

13. **REVIEW OF THE ELECTRICITY FEED-IN (RENEWABLE ENERGY PREMIUM) ACT 2008—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (from 17 March 2015—Mr Coe) on the motion of Mr Corbell—That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
TEACHING QUALITY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 5 May 2015—Mr Doszpot) on the motion of Ms Burch—That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

WATER SAFETY AWARENESS PROGRAM—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 12 May 2015—Mr Doszpot) on the motion of Ms Burch—That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

ONE CANBERRA REFERENCE GROUP REPORT—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Resumption of debate (from 27 October 2015—Mrs Jones) on the motion of Ms Berry—That the Assembly takes note of the papers.

EXPERT PANEL ON STUDENTS WITH COMPLEX NEEDS AND CHALLENGING BEHAVIOUR—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Resumption of debate (from 19 November 2015—Mr Smyth) on the motion of Ms Burch—That the Assembly takes note of the papers.

TUGGERANONG—AMBIENT ODOUR ISSUES—STATEMENT BY MINISTER—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 7 April 2016—Mr Smyth) on the motion of Ms Fitzharris—That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

---

ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

Notice

**MR SMYTH:** To move—that, in relation to reports of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts to be tabled in the Assembly, if the Assembly is not sitting when the Committee has completed its inquiry into a referred Auditor-General report or any other inquiry, the Committee may send its report to the Speaker, or, in the absence of the Speaker, to the Deputy Speaker, who is authorised to give directions for its printing, publication and circulation. (Notice given 3 May 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 8 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).
Orders of the day

1 ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 8—FAMILY FRIENDLY WORKPLACE—MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (from 7 April 2016—Mr Smyth) on the motion of Ms Burch—That the report be noted. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 8 sitting weeks—standing order 152A.)

2 August 2016


Last sitting day in August 2016

3 STANDING COMMITTEES: Presentation of reports on annual and financial reports for the calendar year 2015 pursuant to order of the Assembly of 29 October 2015.

Last sitting day of this Assembly

4 HEALTH, AGEING, COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES—STANDING COMMITTEE: Presentation of report on youth suicide and self harm in the ACT pursuant to order of the Assembly of 11 February 2016.

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS’ BUSINESS

Notice

1 MR RATTENBURY: To move—that this Assembly:

(1) notes that:

(a) the current advertisements for military armaments production companies at the Canberra Airport are offensive to many Canberrans and visitors to our city;

(b) up to 500 000 people are killed each year around the world by conflict or armed violence, which is nearly 1400 people per day;
(c) each year there are around 15-20 million people who have fled their home due to armed conflict;

(d) these advertisements help to normalise warfare and big military spending and present a sanitised image of what weapons do;

(e) these advertisements are inappropriate for refugees and others from war-torn countries and inconsistent with Canberra’s new status as a Refugee Welcome Zone; and

(f) this arms manufacturing advertising does not represent the ACT community and does not reflect the image we want visitors to Canberra to see; and

(2) calls on:

(a) the Speaker to write to the Canberra Airport to raise community concerns about the arms and weapons manufacturing advertisements and to request they choose advertisements more welcoming and representative of Canberra in their place; and

(b) the Government to place more appropriate ACT Government advertisements at the Canberra Airport for tourists such as ACT tourism events with CBR branding to replace the weapons advertising. (Notice given 24 September 2015. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 2 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).

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

New question

(30 days expires 3 June 2016)

*MRS JONES*: To ask the Minister for Economic Development—What was the total cost for building of the Boundless playground at Kings Park including (a) the cost of equipment, (b) the cost of landscaping, (c) the cost of fencing, (d) the cost of footpaths, (e) the cost of toilet facilities, (f) the cost of plumbing, (g) the cost of signage, (h) the cost of labour and (i) any other costs in establishing this playground.

M M KIERMAIER
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

GOVERNMENT TO RESPOND TO PETITIONS

(in accordance with standing order 100)

By 5 July 2016

ACT Coat of Arms—Chief Minister—Petition lodged by Dr Bourke (Pet 14-15)

COMMITTEES

Unless otherwise shown, appointed for the life of the Eighth 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 6 November 2012): The Speaker (Chair), Ms Burch, Mr Rattenbury, Mr Smyth.
Pursuant to resolution

EDUCATION, TRAINING AND YOUTH AFFAIRS: (Formed 27 November 2012): Mr Hinder (Chair), Ms Burch, Mr Doszpot, Mrs Jones.

HEALTH, AGEING, COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES: (Formed 27 November 2012): Ms Burch (Chair), Mr Hinder, Ms Lawder, Mr Wall.

JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY: (Formed 27 November 2012): Mr Doszpot (Chair), Ms Burch, Mr Hinder, Mrs Jones.

PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT AND TERRITORY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES: (Formed 27 November 2012): Ms Burch (Chair), Mr Coe, Mr Hinder, Mr Wall.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: (Formed 27 November 2012): Mr Smyth (Chair), Ms Burch, Mr Hinder, Ms Lawder.

Select

ESTIMATES 2016-2017 (Formed 10 March 2016): Mr Smyth (Chair), Ms Burch, Mr Doszpot, Mr Hinder.

Dissolved

AMENDMENTS TO THE ELECTORAL ACT 1992 (Formed 20 March 2014): Mr Gentleman, (Chair), Mr Coe, Mr Rattenbury. (Released 30 June 2014; presented 5 August 2014)

ESTIMATES 2013-2014: (Formed 28 February 2013): Mr Hanson (Chair), Dr Bourke, Mr Gentleman, Mr Smyth. (Presented 6 August 2013)

ESTIMATES 2014-2015 (Formed 27 February 2014): Mr Smyth (Chair), Ms Berry, Mrs Jones, Ms Porter. (Presented 5 August 2014)

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT: (Formed 28 February 2013): Ms Berry (Chair), Ms Porter, Mr Smyth, Mr Wall. (Presented 27 February 2014)

ESTIMATES 2015-2016 (Formed 19 February 2015): Mr Smyth (Chair), Dr Bourke, Ms Fitzharris, Ms Lawder. (Presented 4 August 2015)