



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE  
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

**2004–2005–2006–2007–2008**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**No. 145**

**FRIDAY, 27 JUNE 2008**

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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 RICHARD MULCAHY CANBERRA PARTY—STATEMENT BY MEMBER**

Mr Mulcahy, by leave, advised the Assembly of his change of status from Independent Member to a member of the Richard Mulcahy Canberra Party.

**3 PETITION—MINISTERIAL RESPONSE**

The Clerk announced that the following response to a petition had been lodged by a Minister:

Mr Barr (Minister for Planning), dated 26 June 2008, in response to a petition lodged by Mr Pratt on 8 May 2008 concerning the proposed gas fired power station in Tuggeranong.

**4 APPROPRIATION BILL 2008-2009**

The Assembly, according to order, resumed further consideration at the detail stage.

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*Detail Stage*

Schedule 1—Appropriations—Proposed expenditure—

Consideration resumed on Part 1.11—Department of Territory and Municipal Services—\$306 295 000 (net cost of outputs), \$172 297 000 (capital injection), \$1 762 000 (payments on behalf of Territory), totalling \$480 354 000—

Debated continued.

*Papers:* Mr Pratt, by leave, presented the following papers:

Graffiti—Copies of photographs—Various (7).

Debate continued.

Mr Smyth addressing the Assembly—

Debate interrupted in accordance with standing order 74 and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

## **5 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS**

Mr Stanhope (Chief Minister) informed the Assembly of the absence of Mr Hargreaves (Minister for Territory and Municipal Services) and advised the Assembly that questions without notice normally directed to Mr Hargreaves could be directed to Mr Stanhope.

## **6 QUESTIONS**

Questions without notice being asked—

*Paper:* Mr Stanhope (Treasurer) presented the following paper:

Proposed gas fired power station and data centre—Select Committee on Estimates 2008-2009—Extract from Proof Transcript of Evidence, 16 June 2008, pages 1239 and 1240.

Questions continued.

## **7 QUESTION ON NOTICE NO. 2003—ANSWER—EXPLANATION**

Dr Foskey, pursuant to standing order 118A, asked Mr Corbell (Attorney-General) for an explanation concerning the answer to question on notice No. 2003.

Mr Corbell gave an explanation.

## **8 PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

Mr Corbell (Attorney-General) presented the following papers:

Administration of Justice—ACT Criminal Justice—Statistical Profile—March quarter 2008.

Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission—Report 1 of 2008—Water and Wastewater Price Review—Final Report and Price Determination, dated April 2008.

## **9 FIREARMS AMENDMENT BILL 2008—REVISED EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Mr Corbell (Minister for Police and Emergency Services) presented the following paper:

Firearms Amendment Bill 2008—Revised explanatory statement.

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Debated continued.

Proposed expenditure agreed to.

Part 1.12—ACT Planning and Land Authority—\$36 835 000 (net cost of outputs), \$9 386 000 (capital injection), totalling \$46 221 000—debated.

*Paper:* Mr Barr (Minister for Planning) presented the following paper:

Caretaker's Cottage, Weston—Letter to Tom Uren from Jenni Farrell, dated 29 August 1983.

Debate continued.

Mr Pratt addressing the Assembly—

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*Adjournment negatived:* It being 6 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Ms Gallagher (Deputy Chief Minister) requiring the question to be forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

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Debate continued.

Proposed expenditure agreed to.

Part 1.13—Department of Disability, Housing and Community Services—\$188 517 000 (net cost of outputs), \$15 223 000 (capital injection), \$32 554 000 (payments on behalf of Territory), totalling \$236 294 000—debated and agreed to.

Part 1.14—Housing ACT—\$23 395 000 (net cost of outputs), \$14 430 000 (capital injection), totalling \$37 825 000—debated and agreed to.

Part 1.15—Department of Justice and Community Safety—\$183 479 000 (net cost of outputs) \$53 479 000 (capital injection), \$127 664 000 (payments on behalf of Territory), totalling \$364 622 000—debated.

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*Suspension of standing order 76:* Mr Corbell (Manager of Government Business) moved—That standing order 76 be suspended for the remainder of this sitting.

Question—put and passed, with the concurrence of an absolute majority.

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Debate continued.

Proposed expenditure agreed to.

Part 1.16—Department of Education and Training—\$436 384 000 (net cost of outputs), \$140 307 000 (capital injection), \$185 031 000 (payments on behalf of Territory), totalling \$761 722 000—debated.

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The Assembly continuing to sit until after midnight—  
Saturday, 28 June 2008

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Debate continued.

Proposed expenditure agreed to.

Part 1.17—Canberra Institute of Technology—\$64 195 000 (net cost of outputs), \$11 891 000 (capital injection), totalling \$76 086 000—debated and agreed to.

Part 1.18—Exhibition Park Corporation—\$541 000 (net cost of outputs), \$3 176 000 (capital injection), totalling \$3 717 000—debated and agreed to.

Part 1.19—Legal Aid Commission (ACT)—\$3 519 000 (net cost of outputs), \$194 000 (capital injection), totalling \$3 713 000—agreed to.

Part 1.20—Public Trustee for the ACT—\$643 000 (net cost of outputs), totalling \$643 000—agreed to.

Part 1.21—ACTEW Corporation Ltd—\$9 817 000 (net cost of outputs), totalling \$9 817 000—debated and agreed to.

Part 1.22—Cultural Facilities Corporation—\$7 105 000 (net cost of outputs), \$1 164 000 (capital injection), totalling \$8 269 000—agreed to.

Part 1.23—ACT Gambling and Racing Commission—\$4 230 000 (net cost of outputs), \$1 875 000 (capital injection), totalling \$6 105 000—agreed to.

Part 1.24—ACT Insurance Authority—\$10 000 000 (capital injection), totalling \$10 000 000—agreed to.

Part 1.25—Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission—\$471 000 (net cost of outputs), totalling \$471 000—agreed to.

Total appropriated to agencies—\$2 072 315 000 (net cost of outputs), \$715 225 000 (capital injection), \$420 599 000 (payments on behalf of Territory), totalling \$3 208 139 000—debated and agreed to.

Part 1.26—Treasurer's Advance—\$32 000 000—agreed to.

Total appropriations—\$2 072 315 000 (net cost of outputs), \$715 225 000 (capital injection), \$420 599 000 (payments on behalf of Territory), totalling \$3 240 139 000—debated and agreed to.

Clauses 1 to 11, by leave, taken together and agreed to.

Schedule 2 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Question—That this Bill be agreed to—put and passed.

## **11 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—CONSIDERATION OF ASSEMBLY BUSINESS**

Mr Corbell (Manager of Government Business) moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent orders of the day Nos. 1 and 2, Assembly business, relating to the Report of the Select Committee on Estimates 2008-2009 and the Government response to the Report, being called on forthwith.

Question—put and passed, with the concurrence of an absolute majority.

**12 ESTIMATES 2008-2009—SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT—APPROPRIATION BILL 2008-2009—REPORT NOTED**

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Ms Porter—That the report be noted (*presented 26 June 2008*)—

Estimates 2008-2009—Select Committee—Report (2 volumes)—*Appropriation Bill 2008-2009*, including a dissenting report—

Question—put and passed.

**13 ESTIMATES 2008-2009—SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT—APPROPRIATION BILL 2008-2009—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—PAPER NOTED**

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Stanhope (Treasurer)—That the Assembly takes note of the paper (*presented 26 June 2008*)—

Estimates 2008-2009—Select Committee—Report—*Appropriation Bill 2008-2009*—Government response—

Question—put and passed.

**14 ADJOURNMENT**

Mr Corbell (Manager of Government Business) moved—That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the Assembly, at 2.15 a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, 1 July 2008 at 10.30 a.m.

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

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**Tom Duncan**  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly