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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

NOTICE PAPER

No. 86

TUESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2004

The Assembly meets this day at 10.30 a.m.

ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

Orders of the day

- 1 STANDING COMMITTEES – Presentation of reports on annual and financial reports for the calendar year 2002 and the financial year 2002-2003 pursuant to order of the Assembly of 25 September 2003.

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

Orders of the day

- 1 PARENTAGE BILL 2003: (*Attorney-General*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 20 November 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*).
- 2 SEXUALITY DISCRIMINATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Attorney-General*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 20 November 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*).
- 3 BUILDING BILL 2003: (*Minister for Planning*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 20 November 2003 – Mrs Dunne*).
- 4 CONSTRUCTION OCCUPATIONS (LICENSING) BILL 2003: (*Minister for Planning*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 20 November 2003 – Ms Dundas*).

** Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time*

- 5 CONSTRUCTION OCCUPATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2003: *(Minister for Planning): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (from 20 November 2003 – Mrs Dunne).*
- 6 RATES BILL 2003: *(Treasurer): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (from 27 November 2003 – Mr Smyth).*
- 7 LAND TAX BILL 2003: *(Treasurer): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (from 27 November 2003 – Mr Smyth).*
- *8 DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES BILL 2003: *(Minister for Industrial Relations): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (from 11 December 2003 – Mr Pratt).*
- 9 STRUCTURE OF COMMUNITY HOUSING CANBERRA LTD – REVIEW – MINISTERIAL STATEMENT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate *(from 20 November 2003 – Mrs Burke)* on the motion of Mr Wood – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 10 ANNUAL LEAVE AMENDMENT BILL 2003: *(Minister for Industrial Relations): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (from 25 September 2003 – Mr Pratt).*
- 11 STATE OF THE TERRITORY'S FINANCE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate *(from 7 March 2002 – Mr Smyth)* on the motion of Mr Quinlan – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 12 INDEPENDENT COMPETITION AND REGULATORY COMMISSION - INVESTIGATION INTO COMPETITION IMPLICATIONS OF PROVISION OF WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE TAXI SERVICES BY A SINGLE NETWORK – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate *(from 13 December 2001 – Mr Wood)* on the motion of Mr Quinlan – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 13 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT ACT – CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate *(from 15 May 2002 – Mr Smyth)* on the motion of Mr Quinlan – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 14 GAMING MACHINE ACT – ACT GAMBLING AND RACING COMMISSION – REPORT ON COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY GAMING MACHINE LICENSEES – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate *(from 26 September 2002)* on the motion of Mr Stanhope – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 15 PUBLIC RENTAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – AMENDMENT TO RESTORE SECURITY OF TENURE TO PUBLIC TENANTS – STATEMENT BY MINISTER – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate *(from 10 December 2002 – Mr Stefaniak)* on the motion of Mr Wood – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

- 16 FULL RETAIL COMPETITION – IMPACT ON ACT LOW INCOME EARNERS – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 20 February 2003 – Mr Cornwell*) on the motion of Mr Quinlan – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 17 INDIGENOUS EDUCATION – FOURTH SIX MONTHLY REPORT – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 4 March 2003 – Ms Gallagher – in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Stanhope – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 18 INQUIRIES ACT – BOARD OF INQUIRY INTO DISABILITY SERVICES – IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – FIRST SIX MONTHLY REPORT – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 1 April 2003 – Mrs Burke*) on the motion of Mr Wood – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 19 INQUIRY INTO EDUCATION FUNDING IN THE ACT – REPORT – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 8 May 2003 – Mr Cornwell*) on the motion of Ms Gallagher – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 20 VICTIMS OF CRIME (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE) ACT – REVIEW OF OPERATION – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*) on the motion of Mr Stanhope – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 21 CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE ACT – REVIEW – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003 – Mrs Bourke*) on the motion of Ms Gallagher – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 22 RESPITE CARE PROJECT – MET AND UNMET NEEDS – FINAL REPORT – SUSTAINING CARING RELATIONSHIPS – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 24 June 2003 – Mr Cornwell*) on the motion of Mr Corbell – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 23 FUTURE OF BURNIE COURT LAND – MINISTERIAL STATEMENT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 28 August 2003 – Mrs Burke*) on the motion of Mr Wood – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 24 A.C.T. GAMBLING AND RACING COMMISSION – REVIEW – GAMING MACHINE ACT – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 23 October 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*) on the motion of Mr Quinlan – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 25 HUMAN RIGHTS BILL 2003: (*Attorney-General*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 18 November 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*).

- 26 ELECTORAL AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Attorney-General; presented by Manager of Government Business*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 20 November 2003 – Ms Dundas*).
- 27 JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2003 (NO. 2): (*Attorney-General*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 27 November 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*).
- 28 HUMAN CLONING AND EMBRYO RESEARCH BILL 2003: (*Minister for Health*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 27 November 2003 – Mr Smyth*).
- 29 EDUCATION BILL 2003: (*Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 27 November 2003 – Mr Pratt*).
- 30 ACT TAXI SUBSIDY SCHEME – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*) on the motion of Mr Wood – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 31 INVESTIGATION INTO ADVERSE PATIENT OUTCOMES OF NEUROSURGICAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CANBERRA HOSPITAL – FINAL REPORT – COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SERVICES COMPLAINTS COMMISSIONER – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2003 – Mr Smyth*) on the motion of Mr Corbell – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 32 STATEMENT OF PLANNING INTENT FOR THE A.C.T. – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2003 – Mrs Dunne*) on the motion of Mr Corbell – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- *33 ANNUAL REPORTS (GOVERNMENT AGENCIES) BILL 2003: (*Chief Minister*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2003 – Mr Smyth*).
- *34 BAIL AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Attorney-General*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*).
- *35 CIVIL LAW (WRONGS) (THRESHOLDS) AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Attorney-General*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*).
- *36 CRIMINAL CODE (THEFT, FRAUD, BRIBERY AND RELATED OFFENCES) AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Attorney-General*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*).
- *37 LITTER BILL 2003: (*Minister for Urban Services*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2003 – Mr Cornwell*).

- *38 ROAD TRANSPORT (GENERAL) AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Minister for Urban Services*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2003 – Mr Cornwell*).
- *39 HEALTH PROFESSIONALS BILL 2003: (*Minister for Health*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2003 – Mr Smyth*).
- *40 NURSE PRACTITIONERS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Minister for Health*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2003 – Mr Smyth*).
- *41 BUSHFIRE RECOVERY TASKFORCE – REPORT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2003 – Mr Smyth*) on the motion of Mr Stanhope – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

Notice

- 1 MR STANHOPE: To move – That the Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory, having noted that:

- (1) subsection 8(2) of the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* (the Act) provides that the Assembly shall consist of 17 members;
- (2) subsection 8(3) of the Act provides that the Governor-General may make regulations under the Act to fix a different number of members;
- (3) regulations may only be made for this purpose in accordance with a resolution passed by the Assembly; and
- (4) regulations would need to be made no later than April 2003 so that the necessary electoral redistribution can be conducted in time for the ACT election scheduled for October 2004;

hereby resolves that the number of members of the Legislative Assembly should be increased from 17 to 25 by regulations made by the Governor-General for the purposes of subsection 8(3) of the Act; and

calls upon the Chief Minister to communicate this resolution to the Commonwealth Government with a request that the regulations increasing the number of members be made at the earliest opportunity but no later than 31 March 2003. (*Notice given 25 September 2002*).

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

- 1 MS MACDONALD: To move – That the Assembly:
 - (1) expresses concern at the Federal Government's intention to remove excise free status on the environmentally friendly fuel, LPG;
 - (2) recognises the crisis the LPG industry will face if such an excise is introduced;
 - (3) notes the importance of promoting environmentally friendly fuels and vehicles;
 - (4) acknowledges the ACT Government for directing all ACT Government departments to replace at least one fleet vehicle with an environmentally friendly hybrid vehicle and signing up the Greenfleet program;
 - (5) recognises the importance of programs such as Greenfleet in sustaining the environment. *(Notice given 25 November 2003).*
- 2 MR SMYTH: To move – That this Assembly, noting that the Government's proposed new land rating system:
 - (1) has not been adequately tested or modeled;
 - (2) is unfair and regressive;
 - (3) will lead to wildly different rates being levied on owners of properties of equivalent value.

Calls on the Government to:

 - (4) not introduce the new system in the 2003-04 financial year;
 - (5) undertake full assessment and modeling of the proposed new system;
 - (6) report the findings of this assessment and modeling to the Assembly by the end of 2003. *(Notice given 1 April 2003).*
- 3 MRS DUNNE: To move – That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Planning to immediately recommence the master planning process for the Kippax Group Centre. *(Notice given 9 May 2002).*
- 4 MRS DUNNE: To move – That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Urban Services to immediately allocate funds for the site selection and design of a permanent library and community centre at the Kippax Group Centre. *(Notice given 9 May 2002).*

- 5 MS TUCKER: To move – That this Assembly:
- (1) having noted that under the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* the size of the Assembly can only be altered by regulations in accordance with a resolution passed by the Assembly;
 - (2) hereby resolves that the number of members of the Legislative Assembly should be increased from 17 to 21, with 7 members elected from each of 3 electorates; and
 - (3) calls upon the Chief Minister to communicate this resolution to the Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government with a request that the regulations increasing the number of members be made by no later than 31 March 2003 so that the necessary electoral redistribution can be conducted in time for the ACT election scheduled for October 2004. (*Notice given 19 November 2002*).
- 6 MRS DUNNE: To move – That noting recommendation 4 of Report No 4 of the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment into Draft Variation No 174 to the Territory Plan, the Hungarian-Australian Club site and Community Facility Land, this Assembly calls on the Government to review the operation of all pre self-government concessional leases. (*Notice given 11 December 2002*).
- 7 MS DUNDAS: To move – That this Assembly, recognising the need for a Youth Night Shelter in Civic to provide safe overnight accommodation for young people unable to return home late at night, calls on the ACT Government to make the establishment of a youth night shelter a high priority for the 2003-2004 financial year (*Notice given 4 March 2003*).
- 8 MR STEFANIAK: To move – That the Assembly calls on the Government to commemorate the achievements and contributions made by the Cannons, Capitals and Brumbies by means of honour plaques laid on London Circuit similar to the honour plaque already laid to commemorate the contribution made by the Canberra Raiders. (*Notice given 4 March 2003*).
- 9 MRS BURKE: To move – That this Assembly calls upon the government to establish suitable community support mechanisms for illicit drug dependent parents to assist them in moving away from a drug dependent lifestyle to ensure the well being and safety of their children. (*Notice given 4 March 2003*).
- 10 MS DUNDAS: To move – That this Assembly calls on the ACT Government to develop a loan scheme to encourage more ACT households to purchase rainwater tanks, for implementation in the 2004-2005 financial year. (*Notice given 26 August 2003*).
- 11 MS DUNDAS: To move – That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Police and Emergency Services to require that plain clothes police and unmarked police cars be used wherever possible when collecting a mentally ill person from their home for assessment by a psychiatrist. (*Notice given 9 December 2003*).

- 12 MRS DUNNE: To move – That this Assembly:
- (1) recognises the importance of addressing issues relating to the safety of children;
 - (2) acknowledges the duty of care towards children especially in and around schools;
 - (3) calls on the Government to conduct a safety audit of access to all ACT schools; and
 - (4) further calls on the Government to set up a priority program for improvement with special emphasis on primary schools. *(Notice given 10 December 2003).*

Orders of the day

- 1 INQUIRIES AMENDMENT BILL 2002: *(Mr Humphries)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 15 May 2002 – Mr Stanhope)*.
- 2 LAND (PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT) LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2001: *(Ms Tucker)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 12 December 2001 – Mr Corbell)*.
- 3 CRIMES AMENDMENT BILL 2001 (NO 3): *(Mr Stefaniak)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 12 December 2001 – Mr Stanhope)*.
- 4 SUPREME COURT AMENDMENT BILL 2001 (NO 2): *(Mr Stefaniak)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 12 December 2001 – Mr Stanhope)*.
- 5 STATISTICAL PROFILE ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE AND REVIEW OF THE OPERATION OF THE VICTIMS OF CRIME (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE) ACT - MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Resumption of debate *(from 7 March 2002 – Mrs Dunne)* on the motion of Mr Stefaniak – That the Assembly takes note of the papers.
- 6 PROPOSED TIMETABLE FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE GUNGALHIN DRIVE EXTENSION: Resumption of debate *(from 5 June 2002 – Ms Dundas)* on the motion of Mrs Dunne – That this Assembly:
 - (1) notes the ACT Government's commitment to build the Gungahlin Drive extension on time, on the western alignment, and to the same budget as that allocated to the eastern alignment; and
 - (2) directs the Minister for Planning, Mr Corbell, to table before the Assembly rises on Thursday, 6 June 2002 his proposed timetable for completing the Gungahlin Drive extension including but not limited to the:
 - (a) commencement and completion of environmental planning;
 - (b) commencement and completion of engineering planning;

- (c) commencement of the draft variation process;
- (d) timetable for the letting of tenders;
- (e) commencement of works; and
- (f) completion of works.

- 7 COMMUNITY REFERENDUM BILL 2002: *(Mr Humphries)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 28 August 2002 – Mr Stanhope)*.
- 8 CRIMES AMENDMENT BILL 2002: *(Mr Pratt)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 13 November 2002 – Mr Stanhope)*.
- 9 BUILDING (WATER EFFICIENCY) AMENDMENT BILL 2002: *(Mrs Dunne)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 13 November 2002 – Mr Corbell)*.
- 10 LITTER AMENDMENT BILL 2002: *(Ms Tucker)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 20 November 2002 – Mr Corbell)*.
- 11 PUBLIC ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS AMENDMENT BILL 2002 (NO. 2): *(Ms Dundas)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 11 December 2002 – Mr Quinlan)*.
- 12 COSTING OF ELECTION COMMITMENTS BILL 2002: *(Mr Humphries)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 11 December 2002 – Mr Quinlan)*.
- 13 FINANCIAL LEGISLATION (INTEGRITY AND RESPONSIBILITY) AMENDMENT BILL 2002: *(Mr Humphries)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 11 December 2002 – Mr Quinlan)*.
- 14 BUSHFIRE RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY BILL 2003: *(Mrs Dunne)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 5 March 2003 – Mr Stanhope)*.
- 15 BUSHFIRE INQUIRY (PROTECTION OF STATEMENTS) AMENDMENT BILL 2003 (NO. 2): *(Ms Tucker)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 18 June 2003 – Mr Wood)*.
- 16 ELECTORAL AMENDMENT BILL 2002: *(Ms Tucker)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 20 August 2003 – Mr Hargreaves)*.
- 17 DRUGS OF DEPENDENCE AMENDMENT BILL 2003: *(Mr Stefaniak)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 24 September 2003 – Mr Stanhope)*.
- 18 LITTER (LITTERING FROM MOTOR VEHICLES) AMENDMENT BILL 2003: *(Mr Cornwell)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 22 October 2003 – Mr Wood)*.

- 19 PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDER 118 – ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE: Resumption of debate (*from 7 May 2003 – Ms Tucker*) on the motion of Mr Cornwell – That this Assembly amends Standing Order 118, in accordance with the Australian Labor Party’s *Labor’s 2001 ACT Election Commitments* (page 35, paragraph 8 ‘We will limit Ministers’ answers to Questions to five minutes), by adding a new sub-section (c) shall not be longer than five minutes in length, and amends existing sub-section (b) by adding ‘and’ after ‘refers’.
- 20 GMO (ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION) BILL 2003: (*Ms Tucker*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 26 November 2003 – Mr Corbell*).
- 21 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AMENDMENT BILL 2003 (NO. 3): (*Ms Dundas*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 26 November 2003 – Mr Quinlan*).
- 22 DISCRIMINATION (GENETIC STATUS) AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Mrs Cross*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 10 December 2003 – Mr Quinlan*).
- 23 RESIDENTIAL TENANCIES (ASSISTED TENANTS) AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Mrs Burke*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 10 December 2003 – Mr Quinlan*).
- 24 CORRECTIONS REFORM AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Mr Smyth*): Detail Stage – Clause 1 – Resumption of debate (*from 10 December 2003 – Mr Stanhope*).

ASSEMBLY BUSINESS - continued

Orders of the day - continued

- 2 LEGAL AFFAIRS – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO. 4 – THE APPROPRIATENESS OF THE SIZE OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE ACT AND OPTIONS FOR CHANGING THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS, ELECTORATES AND ANY OTHER RELATED MATTER – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 26 September 2002 – Mr Stefaniak*) on the motion of Mr Stanhope – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 3 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 5 – INQUIRY INTO THE RATES AND LAND TAX AMENDMENT BILL 2003 – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003 – Mr Quinlan*) on the motion of Mr Smyth – That the report be noted.

- 4 HEALTH – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO. 4 – LOOKING AT THE HEALTH OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN IN THE ACT – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 21 August 2003 – Mr Cornwell*) on the motion of Mr Wood on behalf of Mr Corbell – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 5 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SOCIAL EQUITY – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 3 – THE RIGHTS, INTERESTS AND WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 28 August 2003 – Ms Gallagher*) on the motion of Mr Hargreaves – That the report be noted.
- 6 EDUCATION – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 3 – PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE: REPORT ON THE INQUIRY INTO VOCATIONAL EDUCATION IN THE ACT – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 28 August 2003 – Ms Gallagher*) on the motion of Ms MacDonald – That the report be noted.
- 7 HEALTH – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 5 – ACCESS TO NEEDLES AND SYRINGES BY INTRAVENOUS DRUG USERS – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 28 August 2003 – Mr Smyth*) on the motion of Ms Tucker – That the report be noted.
- 8 ESTIMATES 2003-2004 (NO. 2) – SELECT COMMITTEE – REPORT ON THE INQUIRY INTO THE APPROPRIATION BILL 2003-2004 (NO. 2) – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 23 September 2003 – Mr Quinlan*) on the motion of Mr Smyth – That the report be noted.
- 9 LEGAL AFFAIRS – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 6 – CRIMES (INDUSTRIAL MANSLAUGHTER) AMENDMENT BILL 2002 – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 23 September 2003 – Ms Gallagher*) on the motion of Mr Stefaniak – That the report be noted.
- 10 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 6 – REVIEW OF AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT NO 7 OF 2002 – FINANCIAL AUDIT WITH YEARS ENDING TO 30 JUNE 2002: Resumption of debate (*from 25 September 2003 – Mr Quinlan*) on the motion of Mr Smyth – That the report be noted.
- 11 HEALTH – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 6 – REPORT ON RECENT REPORTS CONCERNING THE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 21 October 2003 – Mr Corbell*) on the motion of Ms Tucker – That the report be noted.
- 12 LEGAL AFFAIRS – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO. 6 – CRIMES (INDUSTRIAL MANSLAUGHTER) AMENDMENT BILL 2002 – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 18 November 2003 – Mr Pratt*) on the motion of Ms Gallagher – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

- 13 EDUCATION – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO. 3 – PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE: REPORT ON THE INQUIRY INTO VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN THE A.C.T. – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 25 November 2003 – Mrs Burke*) on the motion of Ms Gallagher – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- *14 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SOCIAL EQUITY – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 3 – THE RIGHTS, INTERESTS AND WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2003 – Mr Hargreaves*) on the motion of Ms Gallagher – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

Referred to Standing Committee on Legal Affairs on

7 May 2003

LONG SERVICE LEAVE (PRIVATE SECTOR) BILL 2003: (*Mr Berry*):
Resumption of debate – Agreement in principle (*Ms Gallagher*).

23 October 2003

VICTIMS OF CRIME (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE)
AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Attorney-General*):
Resumption of debate – Agreement in principle (*Mr Smyth*).

Referred to Standing Committee on Planning and Environment on

17 June 2003

ROAD TRANSPORT (PUBLIC PASSENGER SERVICES)
AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Minister for Urban Services*): Resumption of debate –
Agreement in principle (*Mrs Dunne*).

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*.

Redirected and answered questions

The following questions asked by the Member indicated have been redirected to the Minister indicated and an answer has been received.

- 1178 Minister for Police and Emergency Services (*Mr Smyth*).
- 1198 Chief Minister (*Mr Stefaniak*).
- 1209 Minister for Planning (*Mr Smyth*).
- 1220 Minister for Urban Services (*Mrs Dunne*).
- 1226 Minister for Urban Services (*Ms Dundas*).

Unanswered questions**10 February 2004**

(Redirected question - 30 days expires 10 January 2004)

- *1180 MR SMYTH: To ask the Minister for Health – For the funds allocated as bushfire initiatives in the 2003-04 Budget for counselling services:
 - (1) How much of the allocated funding for (a) 2002-03 and (b) 2003-04 has been spent;
 - (2) How many residents have accessed counselling services established as part of the bushfire recovery;
 - (3) Will this service cease to exist at the end of the current financial year.

11 December 2003

(30 days expires 10 January 2004)

- 1218 MRS DUNNE: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to Lake Ginninderra Dam Protection Measures:
 - (1) What works are scheduled to take place as part of this project listed as capital works in the 2003-04 budget;
 - (2) At the end of the first quarter \$20 000 had been spent on this project. What works took place as part of that \$20 000 expenditure;
 - (3) What works remain to be completed with the \$980 000 outstanding authorisation.

*New questions**(30 days expires 11 March 2004)*

- *1230 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Treasurer – In relation to water restrictions:
- (1) How many exemptions have been granted since the introduction of water restrictions in the A.C.T. until the end of January 2004;
 - (2) Of the total exemptions granted, how many are ongoing;
 - (3) Of the total exemptions granted, how many were for (a) residential and (b) commercial purposes.
- *1231 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to taxis operating in the A.C.T.:
- (1) Are drivers required to sit for tests about their knowledge of suburbs, streets, the quickest way to reach a destination;
 - (2) Are they expected to assist the elderly or infirm passengers if required;
 - (3) If neither of the above are required, why not;
 - (4) If (1) and (2) are required, what action is taken in the event of a complaint and where should such complaints be made.
- *1232 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – Further to a report in the *Canberra Times* on Sunday 1 February 2004 regarding the provision of security guards deployed to patrol mobile speed camera vans across the A.C.T. due to acts of aggression directed towards speed-camera operators by motorists:
- (1) How many acts of aggression, threats, assaults or other inappropriate behaviour against mobile speed-camera operators and/or equipment were reported in (a) 2001-02, (b) 2002-03 and (c) 2003-04 to date;
 - (2) How many charges have been laid against individuals responsible for such acts in each of the years listed at (1) above;
 - (3) How many security guards are currently deployed in the A.C.T. to protect mobile speed-camera operators and equipment on a (a) daily, (b) weekly and (c) monthly basis;
 - (4) From what date did it become necessary for security guards to be deployed for such purposes;
 - (5) Who is financially responsible for the provision of security guards to protect speed-camera vans and operators and what is the cost to the A.C.T. Government for this service;
 - (6) What action is the A.C.T. Government taking to educate motorists against this kind of unacceptable, illegal and dangerous behaviour.

- *1233 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Urban Services – In relation to graffiti:
- (1) Has the Department recently provided \$2 000 for the purchase of spray cans for graffiti activity;
 - (2) What is the purpose of this allocation.
- *1234 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Treasurer – In relation to the ActewAGL merger with TransACT taking place from 1 February, as reported in the *Canberra Times* on 29 January 2004, page 5:
- (1) Which jobs and how many of those jobs will be lost immediately as a result of the merger;
 - (2) Which positions and how many of those positions will be lost within 12 months of the merger;
 - (3) What will the estimated cost of conducting the merger be to (a) TransACT, (b) ActewAGL and (c) the A.C.T. Government;
 - (4) What procedures will be put in place to ensure that ActewAGL's Internet service provider will have no advantage over other providers on the TransACT network and how will this be assured and monitored.
- *1235 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Treasurer – In relation to recent correspondence in the *Canberra Times* regarding poor water pressure in Ainslie on 15 January and Pearce on 26 January:
- (1) How many suburbs, by name, experience this problem;
 - (2) Is it confined to the hilly sections only or is the age of the pipes a problem;
 - (3) What is being done to fix the problem and what is the estimated time for completion;
 - (4) If nothing is being done to fix the problem, why not.
- *1236 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services – In relation to Family Services:
- (1) How many reports of possible child abuse did the Department refer to Family Services in 2002-03 under mandatory reporting requirements;
 - (2) What feedback was received by the Department from Family Services to these referrals;
 - (3) If no feedback was received, why not.
- *1237 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Environment – In relation to bridle trails:
- (1) Have bridle trails in the vicinity of Campbell Park offices been closed off and if so, when did this closure occur;
 - (2) Why did the closure occur and when is it envisaged these trails will reopen;

- (3) Does the closure require horse riders to make a detour and if so, by what distance.

*1238 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Chief Minister – In relation to elder abuse and the Department of Justice and Community Safety review of the Powers of Attorney Act:

- (1) Is the issues paper that was due to be released towards the end of 2003 for public comment, as indicated by you in a response to the Estimates hearings on 22 May, now available;
- (2) If not, when will the issues paper be available.

*1239 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Community Affairs – In relation to the Multicultural Council:

- (1) How much funding did the Multicultural Council receive from the A.C.T. Government to prepare the Multicultural Festival in (a) 2000-01, (b) 2001-02, (c) 2002-03 and (d) 2003-04;
- (2) Does the A.C.T. Government provide the Multicultural Council with any additional funds to that provided for the Multicultural Festival; if so, what were the additional funds provided and for what purpose in the years listed above.

*1240 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services – In relation to computer aided dispatch system (CADS):

- (1) Did you state on 6 March last year that the new CADS will be operational in September or October 2003; if so, why is the system not operational;
- (2) Did (a) you state in response to Question on Notice number 1188 that the project is to be completed by 30 June 2003 and (b) media reports out of the Coroner's Inquiry into the 2001 bushfires indicate that Mr Lucas Smith believed the system would be operational by April 2004; if so, what is the correct date for the system to be operational and why is there confusion about the completion date;
- (3) How much funding had been expended on this project as at 31 January 2004 and what has been delivered for that expenditure.

*1241 MR STEFANIAK: To ask the Attorney General – In relation to Community Service Orders (CSOs):

- (1) How many CSOs have been issued by the courts in (a) August 2003, (b) September 2003, (c) November 2003, (d) December 2003 and (e) January 2004;
- (2) On how many occasions did people sentenced with a CSO breach their obligations under that order;
- (3) What were the consequences of these breaches.

- *1242 MR STEFANIAK: To ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services – In relation to crime statistics in the A.C.T., what is the breakdown of major crime activity by region of Belconnen, City, Tuggeranong, and Woden for (a) 2001, (b) 2002 and (c) 2003 for the crimes of (i) assault (non sexual); (ii) assault (sexual); (iii) drugs offence; (iv) unlawful entry; (v) vehicle theft; (vi) property damage; (vii) robbery (armed) and (viii) robbery (unarmed).
- *1243 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Chief Minister – In relation to the planned construction of an A.C.T. Veterans' Memorial as outlined in the Canberra Social Plan 2004, page 37:
- (1) When will this Memorial be built;
 - (2) Where will this Memorial be built, given that it is proposed to be 'centrally located';
 - (3) Has design of the Memorial been completed, and if so, can details of this design be provided;
 - (4) What is the estimated cost for the building of this Memorial.
- *1244 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Chief Minister – In respect of the acknowledgement that the A.C.T. Government currently does and will presumably continue to recognize women's achievements and contributions to the community through the A.C.T. International Women's Day Awards as outlined in the Canberra Social Plan 2004, page 35:
- (1) Why has the A.C.T. Government not included in The Canberra Social Plan similar awards for the recognition of International Men's Day;
 - (2) What activities and awards will the A.C.T. Government have in place for the recognition of future International Men's Days;
 - (3) If nothing has been planned by the A.C.T. Government to celebrate future International Men's Days in the A.C.T., why not.
- *1245 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Treasurer – In respect of initial reforms to be made to energy, water and sewerage concessions as outlined in the Canberra Social Plan 2004, page 28:
- (1) From what date will the new concession for households connected to gas be introduced in order to remove the anomaly in current arrangements and streamline energy concessions;
 - (2) From what date will the rebates be adjusted to ensure that A.C.T. residents on low incomes are not disadvantaged by electricity, water and gas price rises;
 - (3) From what date and in what form will advice on improving energy efficiency be offered to households in receipt of concessions;
 - (4) What will the value of each of the concessions above be to each household or consumer on a yearly basis;
 - (5) Will each of the concessions above also be made available to all low-income self-funded retirees in the ACT.

- *1246 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Chief Minister – In respect of the ‘Canberra Gold’ Chief Minister’s Award to be given annually during Canberra birthday celebrations to all people reaching their 50th anniversary as A.C.T. residents as outlined in the Canberra Social Plan 2004, page 40:
- (1) Will the awards be presented commencing with this year’s Canberra birthday celebrations;
 - (2) If not, when will the awards commence;
 - (3) Will all residents having resided in Canberra for over 50 years also be eligible for the award, not just residents who are now reaching their 50th year as a Canberra resident;
 - (4) May any individual nominate a person for such an award, and if so, where can nomination forms be obtained and what is the closing date for nominations each year;
 - (5) If there are conditions applying to such nominations, what are they.

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Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

COMMITTEES

Unless otherwise shown, appointed for the life of the Fifth 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 12 November 2001*): The Speaker (*Presiding Member*), Ms Dundas, Mrs Dunne (*from 18 February 2003*), Mr Hargreaves, Ms MacDonald (*during the absence of Mr Hargreaves from 11-27 May 2002*), Mr Stefaniak (*during the absence of Mrs Dunne on 6 May 2003*).

Pursuant to resolution

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SOCIAL EQUITY: (Formed 11 December 2001; Amendment to resolution of appointment 21 November 2002): Mr Hargreaves (Chair), Mr Cornwell (from 21 November 2002), Mrs Cross, Ms Dundas.

EDUCATION: (Formed 11 December 2001): Ms MacDonald (Chair), Ms Dundas, Mr Pratt.

HEALTH: (Formed 11 December 2001): Ms Tucker (Chair), Mrs Burke (from 18 February 2003), Ms MacDonald.

LEGAL AFFAIRS: (Formed 11 December 2001): Mr Stefaniak (Chair), Mr Hargreaves, Ms Tucker.

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT: (Formed 11 December 2001; Amendment to resolution of appointment 21 November 2002): Mrs Dunne (Chair), Mrs Cross (from 21 November 2002), Ms Dundas, Mr Hargreaves (from 30 January 2003).

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: (Formed 11 December 2001): Mr Smyth (Chair), Ms MacDonald (from 30 January 2003), Ms Tucker.

Dissolved

ESTIMATES 2001-02: (*Formed 19 February 2002*): Mr Humphries (*Chair*), Ms Dundas, Mr Hargreaves. (*Presented 9 April 2002*).

ESTIMATES 2002-03: (*Formed 6 June 2002*): Mr Humphries (*Chair*), Mr Hargreaves, Ms Dundas, Mrs Dunne, Ms Gallagher. (*Printing, circulation and publication authorised 19 August 2002; presented 20 August 2002*).

ESTIMATES 2003-04: (*Formed 3 April 2003*): Mr Smyth (*Chair*), Mrs Cross, Mr Hargreaves, Mrs Dunne, Ms MacDonald. (*Presented 17 June 2003*).

ESTIMATES 2003-04 (NO. 2): (*Formed 19 August 2003*): Mr Smyth (*Chair*), Ms Dundas, Mr Hargreaves. (*Presented 23 September 2003*).

PRIVILEGES: (*Formed 6 June 2002*): Ms Tucker (*Chair*), Mr Hargreaves, Mr Smyth. (*Presented 14 November 2002*).

PRIVILEGES: (*Formed 26 June 2003*): Ms Dundas (*Chair*), Mr Quinlan, Mr Stefaniak. (*Presented 18 November 2003*).

STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE ACT: (*Formed 11 December 2001*): Ms Gallagher (*Chair*), Mrs Cross, Ms Dundas. (*Presented 21 November 2002*).
