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**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

NOTICE PAPER

No. 66

Wednesday, 20 August 2003

The Assembly meets this day at 10.30 am

ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

Order of the day

- *1 PRIVILEGES – SELECT COMMITTEE: Presentation of report pursuant to order of the Assembly of 26 June 2003.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

- *1 MR PRATT: To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Dangerous Goods Act 1975* and the *Dangerous Goods Regulations 1978*. (Notice given 19 August 2003).
- *2 MR PRATT: To present a Bill for an Act to establish independent authorities to supervise the management of the bushfire service, the ACT Emergency Service, the fire brigade and the ambulance service. (Notice given 19 August 2003).

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

*3 MR SMYTH: To move – That this Assembly calls on the Government to:

- (1) not implement their proposed Emergency Services Authority until consultation has occurred with the Ambulance Service, Fire Brigade, Rural Fire Service, ACT Emergency Services, the Volunteer Bushfire Fighters Association and the Community at large;
- (2) where appropriate, increase services to those in the community affected by the bushfire disaster, rather than decrease or remove services;
- (3) outline to the Assembly, by close of business 21 August 2003, its assessment of the future needs of those affected by the bushfires in regards to counselling and other services; and
- (4) provide suitable recognition to volunteers, emergency services personnel and community groups for their outstanding bravery and service to the community during the disaster;

and censures the Government for:

- (5) failing to heed warnings that additional bushfire education was needed in the lead up to the 2002-03 bushfire season;
- (6) failing to implement recommendation 95 of the *Recommendations of the Debriefs of the 2001 Stromlo Fire*; and
- (7) telling the Assembly that its bushfire education programs were adequate when they clearly were not. (*Notice given 19 August 2003*).

Order of the day

- 1 ELECTORAL AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Ms Tucker*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 6 March 2002 – Mr Stanhope*).

Notices - continued

*4 MR CORNWELL: To move – That this Assembly expresses its grave concern at the Government's lack of commitment to addressing the needs of Older Canberrans, particularly through the provision of aged care facilities and calls on the Government to:

- (1) give priority to aged car facility applications in Planning policies and processes;
- (2) be proactive by listing twelve potential sites for future aged care facilities so that applications for Commonwealth funding for beds can be expedited;
- (3) plan a Step-Down facility for southern Canberra;

- (4) improve the location, frequency and quantum of respite care places.
(*Notice given 19 August 2003*).
- *5 MR STEFANIAK: To move – That this Assembly calls on the ACT Government to build a motor sport facility, including a drag way, in the Majura Valley. (*Notice given 19 August 2003*).
- 6 MS DUNDAS: To move – That the ACT Government negotiate with the owners of the site at the corner of Nettlefold Street and Coulter Drive a land swap or suitable compensation to ensure the preservation of the magnificent trees on that site. (*Notice given 25 June 2003*).
- 7 MRS CROSS: To move - That the Assembly calls on the Government to:
- (1) investigate the issue of fireworks in the ACT with respect to the noise and inconvenience caused by the loud bang factor;
 - (2) investigate the lowering of the maximum content of ‘flash powder’ to an amount such as 100 mg per firecracker effect and reduce the confusion of the definition of Shopgood Fireworks. (*Notice given 17 June 2003*).
- 8 MS TUCKER: To move – That this Assembly:
- (1) commends the Government for proposing a rebate scheme for owners of houses reliant on wood burning heaters;
 - (2) calls on the Government to develop a comprehensive strategy and timetable to eliminate the problem of wood smoke pollution in the ACT, incorporating such measures as:
 - (i) implementing enhanced air quality monitoring, including both airborne particles (PM10) and smaller airborne particles (PM 2.5), as recommended as the top priority in the State of the Environment Report 2000;
 - (ii) introducing mobile air monitoring of the Tuggeranong Valley and other wood smoke affected areas of Canberra.
 - (iii) commissioning a study into the long-term health effects of wood smoke pollution on Canberra residents;
 - (iv) replacing wood burning heaters in government-owned homes in Canberra;
 - (v) resourcing Environment ACT to enforce the penalty provisions contained in part 13 of the Environment Protection Act applying to excessively smoking chimneys;

- (vi) providing regular information for broadcasting daily winter air pollution levels for the Tuggeranong Valley and other parts of Canberra as part of the weather forecasts on daily television and radio news bulletins;
 - (vii) working with rental property owners to encourage them to convert their properties to cleaner and more efficient forms of heating;
 - (viii) further public education initiatives on the proper use of wood-burning heaters; and
- (3) calls on the Government to include in the Spatial Plan process an investigation of the possibility of sustainable wood supply in the ACT. *(Notice given 6 May 2003).*
- 9 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).*
- 10 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).*
- 11 MR PRATT: To move – That this Assembly:
- (1) notes that the Department of Education will vacate the O'Connell Education Centre of the site of the old Griffith Primary School site by the end of this school year;
 - (2) notes that the Blue Gum School is currently in unacceptable accommodation and needs to move into more acceptable accommodation at the end of the current school year;

- (3) calls on the Minister for Education to explore all educational options (Departmental, government and non government) for the O'Connell Centre before it is made surplus to requirement. (*Notice given 25 June 2002*).
- 12 MR SMYTH: To move – That the Government acknowledge the importance of openness and accountability and their election commitment to this end and calls on the Government to table the Canberra Hospital and Calvary Hospitals' information bulletin – patient activity data, monthly reports at the first Assembly sitting after they have become available to the Government. (*Notice given 7 May 2002*).
- 13 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*).
- 14 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*).
- 15 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*).
- 16 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*).

- 17 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*).
- 18 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*).
- 19 MRS CROSS: To move – That the Assembly calls on the Chief Minister:
- (1) to table Howard McBeth's 1994 report into the adequacy of the Territory's fire prevention strategies;
 - (2) to incorporate the McBeth report into the Government's operational response to the 18 January 2003 bushfires. (*Notice given 5 March 2003*).
- 20 MS DUNDAS: To move – That this Assembly calls on the Government to empower the Gaming and Racing Commission to reduce the current number of gaming machines in the ACT to 3000, in line with the national per capita average, during the financial year 2003-2004. (*Notice given 11 March 2003*).
- 21 MS DUNDAS: To move – That this Assembly calls on the ACT Government to audit the superannuation and workers compensation entitlements of all fire-fighters who have been transferred from the NSW Fire Brigade to the ACT Fire Brigade, and report to the Assembly by 19 August 2003. (*Notice given 1 April 2003*).
- 22 MS DUNDAS: To move – That this Assembly calls on the ACT Government to immediately establish a Taskforce reporting directly to Cabinet, with parent, principal, teacher and Government representation, to evaluate and implement recommendations from the Connors Inquiry into ACT Education Funding. (*Notice given 1 April 2003*).
- 23 MRS DUNNE: To move – That this Assembly:
- (1) acknowledges that plastic bag use needs to be reduced and plastic bag recycling needs to be enhanced in the ACT;
 - (2) calls on the Government to ensure that there are plastic bag recycling drop off points at all major town centres across Canberra;
 - (3) calls on the Government to embark on an education and awareness campaign promoting the benefits of reducing, reusing and recycling plastic bags;

- (4) calls on the Government to work with business and encourage more consumer choice for carrying goods bought, ie allowing choice of plastic bag, calico bag, boxes or degradable bags;
- (5) calls on the Government to work with business and trial (a) a plastic bag levy in Canberra and (b) the use of biodegradable or degradable plastic bags using a similar approach to the ReBaG trial in 1999. *(Notice given 17 June 2003).*

24 MS TUCKER: To move – That this Assembly:

- (1) supports the role of the Senate as an essential check on the power and the Executive of the Federal Government and as a mechanism for ensuring responsible and accountable government;
- (2) rejects the proposal of the Prime Minister to change the constitution so as to enable a joint session of both Houses of the Federal Parliament without first requiring a double dissolution election;
- (3) calls on the Chief Minister to write to the Prime Minister expressing grave concern about the proposal and calling on him to withdraw his proposal; and
- (4) affirms the role of proportional representation as an electoral system which, through awarding representatives in proportion to shares of votes, ensures a democratic legislature. *(Notice given 24 June 2003).*

25 MR PRATT: To move – That this Assembly:

- (1) expresses its concern that those students of Tuggeranong College who drive their own cars are required to pay for their own school hours parking, the only students in the ACT required to do so;
- (2) calls upon the Department of Urban Services to put in place an adequate number of dedicated car spaces for free student parking and other suitable administrative arrangements to allow such parking to occur. *(Notice given 24 June 2003).*

26 MR PRATT: To move – That this Assembly

- (1) concerned at the ongoing difficulties with the sale and illegal trafficking of fireworks, including illegal and dangerous items, notes that the ACT community has exhausted its patience with this unacceptable, disruptive and unsafe state of affairs;
- (2) hereby calls upon the government to as quickly as possible:
 - (a) pass legislation that will ban the retail sale of shop good fireworks in the ACT;

- (b) restrict the use of all fireworks to certified pyro-technicians and government approved community organizations;
 - (c) permit community organisations restrictive use of fireworks only at the Queen's Birthday long weekend between 5 pm – 10 pm on prescribed nights;
 - (d) introduce stricter penalties for the illegal sale and use of fireworks;
 - (e) ensure that penalties are enforced. *(Notice given 24 June 2003).*
- 27 MS DUNDAS: To move – That the ACT Government investigate the introduction of a concession scheme to assist working people on low incomes who are currently struggling to pay their property rates, and report back to the Assembly by the first sitting day in December 2003. *(Notice given 25 June 2003).*
- *28 MR CORNWELL: To move – That the Treasurer table the Auditor-General's advice upon the 'commercial in confidence' blacked out sections of the Working Group Report of the Review of Operational Activities of Totalcare Industries Limited, tabled in the Assembly, 26 June 2003. *(Notice given 19 August 2003).*
- *29 MS DUNDAS: To present a Bill for an Act to amend the Government Procurement (Principles) Guideline 2002 (No 2). *(Notice given 19 August 2003).*
- *30 MS MACDONALD: To move – That in light of the recent report by the Standing Committee on Health, as well as the increasing level of obesity and decreasing level of fitness in our society, that the Assembly:
- (1) expresses its support on the importance of educating young people about health in the ACT;
 - (2) acknowledges the need for a cohesive and holistic strategy to address children's emotional and physical well-being;
 - (3) recognizes that educating our youth about their health will assist the health of our future society; and
 - (4) recognizes that preventative measures are more cost-effective than dealing with health problems in our hospitals and community health centres. *(Notice given 19 August 2003).*

Orders of the day - continued

- 2 INQUIRIES AMENDMENT BILL 2002: *(Mr Humphries)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 15 May 2002 – Mr Stanhope)*.

- 3 LAND (PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT) LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2001: *(Ms Tucker)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 12 December 2001 – Mr Corbell)*.
- 4 CRIMES AMENDMENT BILL 2001 (NO 3): *(Mr Stefaniak)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 12 December 2001 – Mr Stanhope)*.
- 5 SUPREME COURT AMENDMENT BILL 2001 (NO 2): *(Mr Stefaniak)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 12 December 2001 – Mr Stanhope)*.
- 6 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.
- 7 PROPOSED TIMETABLE FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE GUNG AHLIN 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.
- 8 COMMUNITY REFERENDUM BILL 2002: *(Mr Humphries)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 28 August 2002 – Mr Stanhope)*.
- 9 CRIMES AMENDMENT BILL 2002: *(Mr Pratt)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 13 November 2002 – Mr Stanhope)*.
- 10 BUILDING (WATER EFFICIENCY) AMENDMENT BILL 2002: *(Mrs Dunne)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 13 November 2002 – Mr Corbell)*.
- 11 LITTER AMENDMENT BILL 2002: *(Ms Tucker)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 20 November 2002 – Mr Corbell)*.

- 12 PUBLIC ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS AMENDMENT BILL 2002 (NO. 2): (*Ms Dundas*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002 – Mr Quinlan*).
- 13 COSTING OF ELECTION COMMITMENTS BILL 2002: (*Mr Humphries*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002 – Mr Quinlan*).
- 14 FINANCIAL LEGISLATION (INTEGRITY AND RESPONSIBILITY) AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Mr Humphries*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002 – Mr Quinlan*).
- 15 BUSHFIRE RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY BILL 2003: (*Mrs Dunne*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 5 March 2003 – Mr Stanhope*).
- 16 SENTENCING REFORM AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Mr Stefaniak*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 2 April 2003 – Mr Stanhope*).
- 17 GAMING MACHINE (POLITICAL DONATIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Mrs Cross*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 7 May 2003 – Mr Quinlan*).
- 18 BUSHFIRE INQUIRY (PROTECTION OF STATEMENTS) AMENDMENT BILL 2003 (NO. 2): (*Ms Tucker*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 18 June 2003 – Mr Wood*).
- 19 SMOKING (PROHIBITION IN ENCLOSED PUBLIC PLACES) BILL 2003: (*Mrs Cross*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 25 June 2003 – Mr Corbell*).
- 20 CORRECTIONS REFORM AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Mr Smyth*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 25 June 2003 – Mr Stanhope*).
- 21 BAIL (SERIOUS OFFENCES) AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Mr Stefaniak*): Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate (*from 25 June 2003 – Mr Stanhope*).

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

Orders of the day

- *1 CIVIL LAW (WRONGS) AMENDMENT BILL 2003: (*Attorney-General*): Detail stage – Clause 1 – Resumption of debate (*from 19 August 2003 – Mrs Dunne*).

- 2 TERTIARY ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION BILL 2003: *(Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 3 April 2003 – Mrs Burke)*.
- 3 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING BILL 2003: *(Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 3 April 2003 – Mrs Burke)*.
- 4 STATUTE LAW AMENDMENT BILL 2003: *(Attorney-General; presented by Manager of Government Business)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 8 May 2003 – Mr Stefaniak)*.
- 5 BUILDING (RESIDENTIAL BUILDING WARRANTY) AMENDMENT BILL 2003: *(Minister for Planning)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 8 May 2003 – Mr Smyth)*.
- 6 ELECTORAL AMENDMENT BILL 2003: *(Attorney-General; presented by Manager of Government Business)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 8 May 2003 – Ms Dundas)*.
- 7 ANIMAL AND PLANT DISEASES AMENDMENT BILL 2003: *(Minister for Environment)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 3 April 2003 – Mrs Dunne)*.
- 8 GENE TECHNOLOGY BILL 2002: *(Minister for Health)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 21 February 2002 – Mr Smyth)*.
- 9 REGISTRATION OF DEEDS AMENDMENT BILL 2003: *(Attorney-General; presented by Manager of Government Business)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 8 May 2003 – Mr Stefaniak)*.
- 10 JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2003: *(Attorney-General)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 26 June 2003 – Mr Stefaniak)*.
- 11 CIVIL LAW (SALE OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY) BILL 2003: *(Attorney-General)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 26 June 2003 – Mr Stefaniak)*.
- 12 EVIDENCE (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 2003: *(Attorney-General)*: Agreement in principle – Resumption of debate *(from 26 June 2003 – Mr Stefaniak)*.
- 13 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.

- 14 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.
- 15 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.
- 16 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.
- 17 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.
- 18 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.
- 19 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.
- 20 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.
- 21 AFFORDABLE HOUSING TASKFORCE FINAL REPORT – STRATEGIES FOR ACTION – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 8 May 2003 – Ms Tucker*) on the motion of Mr Wood – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

- 22 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.
- 23 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.
- 24 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.
- 25 LAW REFORM COMMISSION REPORT ON BAIL – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 19 June 2003 – Mr Stefaniak*) on the motion of Mr Stanhope – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 26 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.
- 27 ACT TAXI SUBSIDY SCHEME – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 26 June 2003 – Mrs Burke*) on the motion of Mr Wood – 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*).

ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

Order of the Day - continued

- 2 HEALTH – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 4 – LOOKING AT THE HEALTH OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN IN THE ACT – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 8 May 2003 – Mr Cornwell*) on the motion of Ms Tucker – That the report be noted.

Notices

- 1 MR SMYTH: To move – That:
 - (1) notwithstanding the provisions of standing order 71, a Select Committee on Privileges be appointed to examine:
 - (a) the refusal of Mr Wood to answer questions of the Select Committee on Estimates;
 - (b) the refusal of Mr Corbell to answer questions of the Select Committee on Estimates; and
 - (c) the creation and distribution of the document known as ‘Budget Estimates 2003’ by certain persons within ACT Health;
 - (d) the broadcast on ABC radio of details concerning recommendations of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts inquiry into the Rates and Land Tax Amendment Bill 2003 and the Select Committee on Estimates 2003-2004 inquiry into the Appropriation Bill 2003-2004 prior to their presentation to the Legislative Assembly.

and determine whether each constitutes a contempt of the Legislative Assembly.

(2) The Committee comprise:

- (a) one member to be nominated by the Government;
- (b) one member to be nominated by the Opposition;
- (c) one member to be nominated by a member of the Cross bench.

(3) The Committee shall report by the last sitting day in September. (*Notice given 17 June 2003; amended 18 June 2003*).

*2† MRS DUNNE: To move – That Disallowable Instrument DI2003-85, Land (Planning and Environment) Determination of Matters to be taken into Consideration – Grant of a Further Rural Lease – 2003, be disallowed. (*Notice given 19 August 2003*).

† 6 sitting days for resolution

*3 MR HARGREAVES: To move – That the ACT Legislative Assembly refer for inquiry the possibility of four year terms for members elected to the Legislative Assembly and that the Inquiry be conducted by the Standing Committee on Legal Affairs in accordance with the following terms of reference:

- (1) The Standing Committee on Legal Affairs conduct an inquiry, for examination and report, into the matter of changing the term of office of Members of the ACT Legislative Assembly from three years to four years;
- (2) The inquiry shall report to the Assembly by the last sitting day in October 2003. (*Notice given 19 August 2003*).

Orders of the day - continued

- 3 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.
- 4 STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE ACT – SELECT COMMITTEE – REPORT – THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE ACT – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 21 November 2002 – Mr Stanhope*) on the motion of Ms Gallagher – That the report be noted.

- 5 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 13 – DRAFT VARIATION NO 187 TO THE TERRITORY PLAN – HERITAGE PLACES REGISTER – RED HILL HOUSING PRECINCT – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 3 April 2003 – Mr Wood*) on the motion of Mrs Dunne – That the report be noted.
- 6 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 14 – DRAFT VARIATION NO 175 TO THE TERRITORY PLAN – INDUSTRIAL B3 LAND USE POLICIES – INDUSTRIAL AREA POLICIES AND DEFINITIONS: FYSHWICK, SYMONSTON, MITCHELL AND HUME – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 6 May 2003 – Mr Corbell*) on the motion of Mr Hargreaves – That the report be noted.
- 7 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 15 – VARIATION TO THE TERRITORY PLAN, NO. 200, GARDEN CITY VARIATION – RESIDENTIAL LAND USE POLICIES, MODIFICATIONS TO RESIDENTIAL CODES, AND MASTER PLAN PROCEDURES – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 6 May 2003 – Mr Corbell*) on the motion of Mr Hargreaves – That the report be noted.
- 8 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.
- 9 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 14 – DRAFT VARIATION NO 175 TO THE TERRITORY PLAN – INDUSTRIAL B3 LAND USE POLICIES – INDUSTRIAL AREA POLICIES AND DEFINITIONS: FYSHWICK, SYMONSTON, MITCHELL AND HUME – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003 – Mrs Dunne*) on the motion of Mr Corbell – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
- 10 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 15 – VARIATION NO 200, GARDEN CITY VARIATION – RESIDENTIAL LAND USE POLICIES, MODIFICATIONS TO RESIDENTIAL CODES AND MASTER PLAN PROCEDURES – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003 – Mrs Dunne*) on the motion of Mr Corbell – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.

- 11 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 17 – DRAFT VARIATION NO 150 TO THE TERRITORY PLAN – DEAKIN BLOCKS 14 AND 15 SECTION 36 [FORMER DEAKIN OVAL SPORTS GROUND] PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL AND URBAN OPEN SPACE LAND USE POLICIES AND CHANGES TO THE PUBLIC LAND OVERLAY – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003 – Mr Corbell*) on the motion of Mrs Dunne – That the report be noted.
 - 12 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE – REPORT NO 19 – DRAFT VARIATION NO 210 TO THE TERRITORY PLAN – DEAKIN SECTION 35 BLOCK 2 (SITE OF FORMER DEAKIN MOTOR INN) AND SECTION 35 BLOCK 28 (CANBERRA WEST BOWLING CLUB, ALSO KNOWN AS THE WEST DEAKIN HELLENIC BOWLING CLUB) COMMERCIAL E POLICY AND RESIDENTIAL USE – MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003 – Mr Corbell*) on the motion of Mrs Dunne – That the report be noted.
 - 13 LEGAL AFFAIRS – STANDING COMMITTEE: Presentation of report on the Crimes (Industrial Manslaughter) Amendment Bill 2002 pursuant to order of the Assembly of 12 December 2002, as amended 1 April 2003 and 17 June 2003.
 - 14 ESTIMATES 2003-2004 – SELECT COMMITTEE – REPORT – APPROPRIATION BILL 2003-2004 – GOVERNMENT RESPONSE – PAPER – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 24 June 2003 – Mr Smyth*) on the motion of Mr Quinlan – That the Assembly takes note of the paper.
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- 15 LEGAL AFFAIRS – STANDING COMMITTEE: Presentation of report on the Long Service Leave (Private Sector) Bill 2003 pursuant to order of the Assembly of 7 May 2003.
- *16 ESTIMATES 2003-04 (NO. 2) – SELECT COMMITTEE: Presentation of report on Appropriation Bill 2003-2004 (No. 2) pursuant to order of the Assembly of 19 August 2003.

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- 17 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT – STANDING COMMITTEE: Presentation of report on the Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Amendment Bill 2003 pursuant to order of the Assembly of 17 June 2003.
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**Referred to Standing Committee on Administration and Procedure on
7 May 2003**

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'.

**Referred to Select Committee on Estimates on
19 August 2003**

APPROPRIATION BILL 2003-2004 (NO. 2): (*Treasurer*): Resumption of debate – Agreement in principle (*Mr Smyth*).

**Referred to Standing Committee on Legal Affairs on
12 December 2002**

CRIMES (INDUSTRIAL MANSLAUGHTER) AMENDMENT BILL 2002: (*Minister for Industrial Relations*): Resumption of debate – Agreement in principle (*Mr Pratt*).

7 May 2003

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

**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*.

Unanswered questions

802, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821,
822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829

20 August 2003

Redirected and answered question

784 Question on notice No 784 has been redirected to the Minister for Environment and has been answered.

New questions

(30 days expires 19 September 2003)

- *830 MR SMYTH: To ask the Treasurer – In relation to the analysis of the performance of the Superannuation Provision Account (SPA) in the Management Report for the June Quarter 2003:
- (1) On what assumptions was the revised estimated outcome of the market value of SPA investments of a reduction of \$58.793 million based;
 - (2) What were the reasons for the variance in the market value of SPA investments between the estimate of \$58.793 million and the preliminary result of a reduction of \$44.114 million;
 - (3) What is the estimate for the change in the market value of SPA investments over the 12 months to 30 June 2004;
 - (4) On what assumptions was the revised estimated outcome of the revenue from dividends and interest, earned from SPA investments, of \$48.692 million based;
 - (5) Why was this estimated outcome of revenue to be derived from dividends and interest, earned from SPA investments, increased by \$16.278 million, or 50 per cent, over the estimate provided in the 2002-03 Budget;
 - (6) What is the estimate for the quantum of revenue to be generated from dividends and interest earned from SPA investments over the 12 months to 30 June 2004.
- *831 MR SMYTH: To ask the Treasurer – In relation to the analysis of revenue and expenses for departments and agencies in the Management Report for the June Quarter 2003:

- (1) What are the reasons for the \$0.505 million variance in the outcome for ACT Community Care;
- (2) What are the reasons for the increase of \$0.260 million in expenses for ACT Workcover;
- (3) What are the reasons for the increase of \$0.297 million in revenue and the reduction of \$0.144 million in expenses for the Agents' Board;
- (4) What are the reasons for the variance of \$0.305 million in the outcome for the Australian International Hotel School;
- (5) What are the reasons for the increase of \$0.297 million in revenue and the reduction of \$0.062 million in expenses for the Canberra Cemeteries Trust;
- (6) What are the reasons for the increase of \$6.397 million in expenses for the Canberra Institute of Technology;
- (7) What are the reasons for the \$3.785 million variance in the outcome for the Central Financing Unit;
- (8) What are the reasons for the reduction of \$42.027 million in revenue and the reduction of \$19.133 million in expenses for the Gungahlin Development Authority;
- (9) What are the reasons for the \$1.463 million variance in the outcome for the Home Loan Portfolio;
- (10) What are the reasons for the \$0.077 million variance in the outcome for the Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission;
- (11) What are the reasons for the increase of \$5.337 million in revenue and the increase of \$7.227 million in expenses for the Land Development Authority;
- (12) What are the reasons for the variance \$0.646 million in the outcome for the Legal Aid Commission;
- (13) What are the reasons for the reduction of \$0.233 million in expenses for the Legislative Assembly Secretariat (Departmental);
- (14) What are the reasons for the variance of \$1.270 million in the outcome for Totalcare;
- (15) What are the reasons for the increase of \$0.536 million in expenses for the Workers Compensation Fund;
- (16) What are the reasons for the reduction of \$1.999 million in revenue and the reduction of \$14.889 million in expenses for the ACT Superannuation Unit;

- (17) What are the reasons for the \$63.376 million variance in the outcome for the Central Financing Unit;
- (18) What are the reasons for the variance of \$0.350 million in the outcome for the Legislative Assembly Secretariat (Territorial);
- (19) What are the reasons for the variance of \$3.320 million in the outcome for ACT Housing;
- (20) What is the reason for the variance of \$4.006 million in the outcome for ACT Electricity and Water;
- (21) What are the reasons for the variance of \$0.396 million in the outcome for the Stadiums Authority.

*832 MR SMYTH: To ask the Treasurer – In relation to the utilisation of National Disaster Relief Arrangements (NDRA) following the bushfire disaster in January 2003:

- (1) When did the ACT Government first write to the Federal Government seeking financial assistance under NDRA for 2002-03;
- (2) What quantum of funds was requested in this letter;
- (3) Were any other letters sent to the Federal Government in relation to requests for financial assistance under NDRA for 2002-03;
- (4) If so, what was the quantum of any further financial assistance sought in those letters;
- (5) What was the response of the Federal Government to these letters;
- (6) Has the ACT Government written to the Federal Government seeking any financial assistance under NDRA for 2003-04;
- (7) If so, what quantum of funds has been sought for 2003-04;
- (8) Has the ACT Government written separately to the Prime Minister, following his offer of assistance made on 19 January 2003, seeking additional assistance;
- (9) If no letter has been sent, why has such a request not been made;
- (10) If a request has been made to the Prime Minister, what was the nature of the response that has been received;
- (11) Has the ACT Government written separately to the Federal Government requesting assistance under the provision of paragraph (g) of Clause 2.2 of NDRA;

- (12) If no request has been made under this paragraph, what is the reason for not making such a request;
- (13) If such a request has been made, what has been the nature of the response from the Federal Government;
- (14) If such a request has been made, did it relate only to 2002-03;
- (15) If so, will a further request be made for assistance under this paragraph for 2003-04;
- (16) Has the ACT Government sought any assistance from the Federal Government, under Clause 3.4 of NDRA concerning Natural Disaster Risk Management Studies, in relation to undertaking any risk management studies either in the ACT or involving the ACT and other States;
- (17) If no assistance has been sought under this Clause, what is the reason for not making such a request;
- (18) If such a request has been made, what was the nature of any response that has been received from the Federal Government.

*833 MR SMYTH: To ask the Treasurer – In relation to the destruction of, or damage to, property and other assets during the January 2003 bushfires and of the recovery efforts undertaken since that event:

- (1) What is the aggregate estimate, as at 30 June 2003, of the cost of destruction of property and other assets;
- (2) What is the breakdown of this cost of destruction across different types of property and other assets;
- (3) What is the aggregate estimate, as at 30 June 2003, of the cost of damage to property and other assets;
- (4) What is the breakdown of this cost of damage across different types of property and other assets;
- (5) What is the nature and value of assets that have been written off;
- (6) What is the aggregate cost of providing personal hardship and distress payments;
- (7) What is the aggregate cost of providing concessional interest loans to businesses;
- (8) What is the aggregate cost of providing concessional interest loans to any non-profit organisations or needy people;

- (9) What is the aggregate cost of providing any interest subsidies to businesses;
- (10) What is the aggregate of assistance provided for properties that were damaged but that remained habitable;
- (11) What is the aggregate of costs that have been incurred on other major recovery activities, such as the Bushfire Recovery Taskforce, recovery centres, inquiries and reports, demolition activities and property clean ups.

*834 MR SMYTH: To ask the Treasurer – In relation to the insurance activities that have been initiated following the bushfire disaster in January 2003:

- (1) What quantum of insurance revenue was received during 2002-03;
- (2) For what components of ACT Government activities, such as forests, plant and equipment and housing, were these payments received;
- (3) Are there any components for which insurance claims are outstanding and for which payments are anticipated;
- (4) What quantum of insurance revenue – if any – is anticipated during 2003-04;
- (5) For what components of ACT Government activities will these payments be sought;
- (6) What has been the consequence of these claims for premiums paid by the ACT Government for insurance cover for ACT Government assets.

*835 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Industrial Relations – In relation to ACT Workcover:

- (1) How many workplace injuries were reported during 2002-03 and how does this figure compare to (a) 2001-02 and (b) 2000-01;
- (2) What is the breakdown of workplace fatalities by industry during 2002-03;
- (3) How many workplace fatalities occurred during 2002-03 and how does this figure compare to (a) 2001-02 and (b) 2000-01;
- (4) How many legal cases relating to workplace safety issues were finalised during 2002-03;
- (5) What was the outcome of each of the legal cases finalised during 2002-03;

- (6) How much did Workcover spend on workplace compliance during 2002-03;
- (7) How much did Workcover spend on legal cases during 2002-03 and how does this figure compare to (a) 2001-02 and (b) 2000-01;
- (8) As at 30 June 2003, how many legal cases did Workcover have in train during 2002-03;
- (9) What proportion of these cases do you anticipate will be finalised during 2003-04;
- (10) How many legal cases will ACT Workcover undertake as a result of the recent ACT fireworks season;
- (11) How much did ACT Workcover spend on prosecuting fireworks related cases during 2002-03 and how does this figure compare to (a) 2001-02 and (b) 2000-01;
- (12) How much did ACT Workcover spend on compliance issues related to the ACT fireworks industry during 2002-03 and how does this figure compare to (a) 2001-02 and (b) 2000-01;

*836 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services – In relation to 2003 retention of Year 10 to Year 12 students:

- (1) As at the end of Term 2 in the school year did the number of ACT students involved in studies in (a) Year 10, (b) Year 11 or (c) Year 12 go down;
- (2) If the figure did go down, by how many. If the figure went up, by how many or did the figure remain the same;
- (3) Has the Government been able to track any students who may have now left the system and is the Minister aware of whether these students left due to (a) finding employment, (b) undertaking an apprenticeship or traineeship, (c) moved away from the ACT, (d) any other reason including no option after leaving school;
- (4) What guidance is offered to students throughout the year who are considering leaving school;
- (5) Is the Government looking at other ways to retain students from Year 10 through to Year 12.

MR PRATT: To ask the following Ministers:

*837 Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services

*838 Minister for Police and Emergency Services

In relation to speed cameras outside schools in the ACT:

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the installation of a speed camera outside a school in Sydney to calm traffic around the area where children/students cross regularly;
- (2) Has the Government considered installing speed cameras outside schools in the ACT, if so, what discussions have taken place and what, if any, decisions have been made in relation to this matter, if not, would the Government consider installing speed cameras outside schools in the ACT;
- (3) Has either Minister received representations for speed cameras outside any school in the ACT;
- (4) Has either Minister received representations requesting the installation of traffic calming measures outside any ACT schools, if so, which schools and what decision has been made on each request.

*839 MR PRATT: To ask the Attorney-General – In relation to a monetary reward regarding information leading to the arrest of person/s suspected to be involved in the death of Kathryn Grosvenor and that there are many flyers still across Canberra promoting the cash reward for information leading to an arrest and such reward was available until 30 June 2003. Has the deadline of this reward now passed or has consideration been given to extending the deadline.

*840 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services – In relation to drink spiking:

- (1) How many cases of drink spiking were reported to police in:
 - (a) January 2003;
 - (b) February 2003;
 - (c) March 2003;
 - (d) April 2003;
 - (e) May 2003;
 - (f) June 2003;
 - (g) July 2003;
- (2) Of these cases did any victims have to be taken to hospital for treatment;

- (3) Were there any suspected cases of drink spiking referred from the Hospital to police, if so, how many and are those numbers included in the figures in (a) to (g) above;
- (4) Were there any arrests for drink spiking in (a) to (g) above, if so, what charges were laid;
- (5) What are the penalties for a person found responsible for drink spiking;
- (6) What initiatives have been implemented by police in (a) to (g) above to combat drink spiking.

*841 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services – In relation to burnout legislation:

- (1) Is it still possible to confiscate motor vehicles from drivers in the ACT who are conducting burnout activity in contravention with the Road Transport Act;
- (2) Under what circumstances can a vehicle be confiscated;
- (3) What other penalties can be enforced by police for those caught undertaking burnout activity;
- (4) How many drivers were charged for conducting burnouts in the ACT in (a) 1999-2000, (b) 2000-2001, (c) 2001-02 and (d) 2002-03;
- (5) How many drivers were issued with infringement notices for conducting burnouts in the ACT in (a) 1999-2000, (b) 2000-2001, (c) 2001-02 and (d) 2002-03;
- (6) How many vehicles were confiscated in (a) 1999-2000, (b) 2000-2001, (c) 2001-02 and (d) 2002-03;
- (7) What other penalties were enforced for burnout activity in (a) 1999-2000, (b) 2000-2001, (c) 2001-02 and (d) 2002-03;
- (8) Has the number of reports to police regarding burnout activity in the ACT been reduced following the introduction of this legislation.

*842 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services – In relation to teachers:

- (1) How many teachers are currently employed by the Department of Education, Youth and Family Services in the government school system as (a) full time employees and (b) casuals;
- (2) Of those teachers how many are (a) male and (b) female;

- (3) What are the salary brackets for government school teachers;
- (4) How many of our government school teachers are on contracts of 12 months or less;
- (5) How many teachers have permanent contracts and what is the length of a permanent contract;
- (6) Are teachers rotated/moved to different schools after a certain period of time or do teachers have a choice to remain teaching in a particular school for as long as they wish;
- (7) Has the Government been given any indication of how many teachers will be lost this year due to retirement, if so, what are those figures;
- (8) Have any new programs been implemented to assist with teacher recruitment in the last 6 months, if so, please provide details of the programs, if not, why not.

*843 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services – In relation to the Bushfire Fuel Management Plan:

- (1) Was the Bushfire Fuel Management Plan revised and re-issued by 30 June 2002, in accordance with the legislation enacted in December 1996;
- (2) On 30 June 2002, were all ACT national parks, nature reserves, urban open spaces, horse paddocks, unleased rural land and plantation forests revised and their fuel management plans updated in the parent document, the Bushfire Fuel Management Plan;
- (3) Was the \$100,000 funding allocated in Budget Paper 3, 2000-2001 page 137, identified for public use infrastructure and blackberry control, fully utilised, if so, where;
- (4) Can the Government please provide a breakdown of the expenditure of the \$100,000.

*844 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services – In relation to the ACT Emergency Management Plan:

- (1) When was the ACT Emergency Management Plan last revisited;
- (2) Were the lessons of the December 2001 bushfires taken into consideration and written into a revision of the Plan;
- (3) Was the execution of the ACT's emergency response to the 8 January 2003 bushfire outbreak and the subsequent fighting of the fire through to,

and beyond, 18 January 2003, in accordance with the requirements of the ACT Emergency Management Plan;

- (4) Were the bushfire preventative measures laid down in the ACT Emergency Management Plan adhered to in the year leading up to 18 January 2003.

*845 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services – In relation to the provision of education services to school students who live outside the ACT:

- (1) How many school students who live in NSW attend Government schools in the ACT;
- (2) Of the school students who live outside the ACT and attend ACT Government schools, how many are in:
 - (a) primary schools;
 - (b) high schools; and
 - (c) colleges.
- (3) What is the cost of providing schooling to students who live outside the ACT and attend ACT Government schools in each of:
 - (a) primary schools;
 - (b) high schools; and
 - (c) colleges.
- (4) How much was recovered from the NSW Government for providing schooling in ACT Government schools in each of 2001-02 and 2002-03.

*846 MR PRATT: To ask the Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services – In relation to the Woden School:

- (1) What level of security is in place at the Woden School to ensure that students do not leave the school grounds unaccompanied;
- (2) If a student is able to leave the school grounds unaccompanied, are the staff required to contact the student's parents;
- (3) Are staff able to confiscate student's belongings if students are not cooperative with staff requests.

*847 MRS BURKE: To ask the Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services – In relation to the Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT):

- (1) What are the current staffing levels for the Office of the Chief Executive at the CIT (include fulltime, part-time, casual/temporary, other);

- (2) What were the staffing levels (further to (1)) as at (a) 30 June 1998 (b) 30 June 1999 (c) 30 June 2000 (d) 30 June 2001 (e) 30 June 2002 and (f) 30 June 2003 (showing categories breakdown, as per (1));
- (3) What are the classification levels of each position and the duties performed by each person;
- (4) What is the total cost of renovations to the office of the Chief Executive since 30 June 1997;
- (5) Supply details of the renovations and why the renovations were carried out;
- (6) What is the total cost of air travel, showing breakdown between international and domestic travel, for the Chief Executive for the financial years 2001-02 and 2002-03;
- (7) Further to (6), what was the purpose of each trip;
- (8) Was any trip undertaken for the sole purpose of business; was any trip undertaken for both business and private purposes; if so, for each, provide details of such purposes, respectively;
- (9) Further to (8), if any travel was undertaken for private purposes what contribution to such travel was made by the Chief Executive;
- (10) In relation to travel made for business purposes, what were the results against the stated purpose and objectives for the travel;
- (11) In what way did the travel (specify for each trip) benefit the CIT;
- (12) What are the results of the 2002 Staff Survey;
- (13) Further to (12), was there a satisfactory response to the Survey; if not, why not, and what, if anything, has been done about this.

*848 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Health – In relation to Home and Community Care (HACC), Handy Help and Home Help funding:

- (1) How much funding has been provided via HAAC to the Handy Help program for (a) 2002-03 (b) 2001-02 and (c) 2000-01;
- (2) How much funding has been provided via HACC to the Home Help program for the years at (1) above;
- (3) What specific services do both the Handy Help and Home Help programs provide, and who is able to access these services;

- (4) Are there any charges to the user of the Handy Help and Home Help services and if so, what are those charges and how are they applied.

*849 MR CORNWELL: To ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services – In relation to assaults on medical staff employed at The Canberra Hospital:

- (1) How many reported acts of assault, abuse, other criminal acts or offensive behaviour have been committed against nursing or other staff by patients, visitors or others at The Canberra Hospital in (a) 2000 (b) 2001 (c) 2002 and (d) 2003;
- (2) What is the average number of reported incidents on a (a) daily and (b) monthly basis for each of the years at (1) above;
- (3) Have any of the reported incidents at (1) above resulted in criminal convictions, and if so, how many;
- (4) Have any surveys been conducted on staff at The Canberra Hospital to ascertain the level and frequency of assault, abuse, other criminal acts and offensive behaviour that may have gone unreported;
- (5) Could figures also be provided for reported assaults, abuse, other criminal acts and offensive behaviour against both patients at, and visitors to, The Canberra Hospital for the years listed at (1) above;
- (6) Are there arrangements in place at The Canberra Hospital to encourage staff, visitors and patients to report assaults, abuse, other criminal acts and offensive behaviour, and if so, what are those arrangements.

T Duncan

Acting 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.

Select

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

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

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)*.

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

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