EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

Notices

*1 MR BARR: To present a Bill for an Act to amend legislation about revenue collection, and for other purposes. *(Notice given 14 December 2016).*

*2 MR GENTLEMAN: To present a Bill for an Act to amend legislation about planning, building and the environment, and for other purposes. *(Notice given 14 December 2016).*

*3 MS FITZHARRIS: To present a Bill for an Act to amend legislation about city services, and for other purposes. *(Notice given 14 December 2016).*

*4 MR RAMSAY: To present a Bill for an Act for the conduct of commercial arbitration, and for other purposes. *(Notice given 14 December 2016).*

*5 MR RAMSAY: To present a Bill for an Act to amend legislation about justice and community safety, and for other purposes. *(Notice given 14 December 2016).*

*6 MR RAMSAY: To present a Bill for an Act to amend legislation for the purpose of statute law revision. *(Notice given 14 December 2016).*

*Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time*
MR RAMSAY: To present a Bill for an Act to amend legislation about crime, and for other purposes. (Notice given 14 December 2016).

ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

Notices

1  MR GENTLEMAN: To move—that, unless the Speaker fixes an alternative day or hour of meeting on receipt of a request in writing from an absolute majority of Members, or the Assembly otherwise orders, the Assembly shall meet as follows for 2017:

| Month    | 14 | 15 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 9  | 10 | 11 | 6  | 7  | 8  | 1  | 2  | 3  | 15 | 16 | 17 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 31 | 1  | 2  | 28 | 29 | 30 |
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(Notice given 13 December 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).
MR GENTLEMAN: To move—That standing order 254A be amended as follows: Omit paragraphs (a) and (b), substitute:

“(a) tabled within four months of the presentation of the report; or

(b) provided to the Speaker for out of session circulation to Members within four months of the presentation of the report and tabled by the Minister on the next day of sitting”. (Notice given 13 December 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).

MR GENTLEMAN: To move—That:

(1) a select committee be established to inquire into the most effective and efficient model of an independent integrity commission for the ACT and that the committee make recommendations on the appropriateness of adapting models operating in other similarly-sized jurisdictions, as well as:

(a) the personnel structure of the commission to ensure the appropriate carriage of workload;

(b) governance and funding that delivers independence;

(c) the powers available to a commission;

(d) the educative functions of a commission;

(e) issues regarding retrospectivity, including human rights, and the timeframes around which former actions can be assessed;

(f) the relationship between any commission and existing accountability and transparency mechanisms and bodies in the ACT; and

(g) any other relevant matter;

(2) the select committee shall consist of the following number of members, composed of:

(a) two Members to be nominated by the Government;

(b) two Members to be nominated by the Opposition;

(c) one Member to be nominated by the Crossbench; and

(d) the Chair shall be a Crossbench member;

(3) the select committee be provided with necessary staff, facilities and resources;

(4) the select committee to report by the end of August 2017;

(5) if the Assembly is not sitting when the committee has completed its inquiry, the committee may send its report to the Speaker or, in the absence of the Speaker, to the Deputy Speaker, who is authorised to give directions for its printing, publishing and circulation;
(6) the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders; and

(7) nominations for membership of the committee be notified in writing to the Speaker within two hours following conclusion of the debate on the matter. *(Notice given 13 December 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks—standing order 125A)*.

4 MR GENTLEMAN: To move—That:

(1) a select committee be established to review the operation of the 2016 ACT election and the Electoral Act and other relevant legislation and policies in regards to election-related matters, and make recommendations on:

(a) lowering the voting age;

(b) improving donation rules and donation reporting timeframes;

(c) increasing voter participation in elections and encouraging political activity; and

(d) any other relevant matter;

(2) the select committee shall consist of the following number of members, composed of:

(a) two Members to be nominated by the Government;

(b) two Members to be nominated by the Opposition;

(c) one Member to be nominated by the Crossbench; and

(d) the Chair shall be a Government Member;

(3) the select committee be provided with necessary staff, facilities and resources;

(4) the select committee is to report by the last sitting day in 2017;

(5) if the Assembly is not sitting when the committee has completed its inquiry, the committee may send its report to the Speaker or, in the absence of the Speaker, to the Deputy Speaker, who is authorised to give directions for its printing, publishing and circulation;

(6) the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders; and

(7) nominations for membership of the committee be notified in writing to the Speaker within two hours following conclusion of the debate on the matter. *(Notice given 13 December 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).*
MR STEEL: To move—That this Assembly:

(1) notes:
   (a) that the employment rate of people with disability in the ACT Public Service is 2.2 percent as at June 2016; and
   (b) that the Australian Human Rights Commission report, *Willing to Work: National Inquiry into Employment Discrimination Against Older Australians and Australians with Disability* found the ACT to be the only jurisdiction with an increase in the employment of people with disability over the 2013-15 period;

(2) further notes that the ACT Government’s new Office for Disability and Disability Reference Group has been established to provide strategic policy advice on disability issues; and

(3) resolves that the Standing Committee on Health, Ageing and Community Services shall conduct an inquiry into the employment of people with a disability in the ACT, to report back to the Assembly by the end of 2017 with reference to:
   (a) the implementation of the ACT Public Service Disability Employment Strategy;
   (b) the effectiveness of current attraction and retention programs in the ACT Public Service and private enterprise;
   (c) data collection, monitoring and reporting mechanisms;
   (d) relevant experiences and learnings from Australian State, Commonwealth and international jurisdictions;
   (e) the applicability to the ACT Public Service, of recommendations and findings from the report *Employing people with disability in the APS* published by the University of Canberra; and
   (f) any other relevant matter. (*Notice given 13 December 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks—standing order 125A*).

MR STEEL: To move—That this Assembly:

(1) notes the Mitchell Institute Report *Preschool—Two Years are Better Than One—Developing a universal preschool program for Australian 3 year olds—evidence, policy and implementation*; and

(2) resolves that the Standing Committee on Education, Employment and Youth Affairs conducts an inquiry into the value of universal access to early childhood education, including evidence around the benefits to children of starting preschool at age three. (*Notice given 13 December 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks—standing order 125A*).
MR PETTERSSON: To move—That the matter of enrolments and capacity in Canberra public schools, including Priority Enrolment Areas and other factors affecting demand on schools, and any related matters, be referred to the Standing Committee on Education, Employment and Youth Affairs for inquiry and report. (Notice given 13 December 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).

MS ORR: To move—That the matter of the interaction of housing types, market settings and land release with changes in consumer behaviour and the goal of achieving greater housing affordability be referred to the Standing Committee on Planning and Urban Renewal for inquiry and report. (Notice given 13 December 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).

MS CODY: To move—That the matter of evidence and best practice around prevention and early intervention programs in the prevention of domestic and family violence and any other related matters be referred to the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety for inquiry and report. (Notice given 13 December 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS’ BUSINESS

Notice

MR RATTENBURY: To move—That this Assembly:

(1) notes:

(a) climate change impacts will have serious environmental, health and economic consequences for the ACT;

(b) the Australian Government has signed and ratified the Paris Agreement on climate change, which requires it to try and limit the increase in the global average temperature to well below 2°C;

(c) the Australian Government has approved the construction of the massive Carmichael coal mine and is considering providing financial support for the project through the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility; and

(d) facilitating the construction and operation of the Carmichael coal mine is radically contrary to the Government’s commitment to the Paris Agreement and the imperatives to mitigate climate change; and
(2) opposes the construction of the proposed Carmichael coal mine, and opposes the contribution of any Federal Government support to the proposed Carmichael coal mine and related infrastructure. (Notice given 13 December 2016. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks—standing order 125A).

PRIVATE MEMBERS’ BUSINESS

There are no notices or orders of the day.

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 redirected questions are included on the Notice Paper together with a list of all unanswered questions.

A Questions on Notice Paper will be issued on the Friday of a sitting week, containing the text of all questions on notice lodged that week and can be accessed at www.parliament.act.gov.au/in-the-assembly/questions-paper.

Unanswered questions

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M M Kiermaier
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

GOVERNMENT TO RESPOND TO PETITION

(in accordance with standing order 100)

14 March 2017

Cannabis medicines—Safe and adequate access—Attorney-General—Petition lodged by Mr Rattenbury (Pet 1-16).
COMMITTEES

Unless otherwise shown, appointed for the life of the Ninth 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 31 October 2016): The Speaker (Chair), Ms Cheyne, Mr Rattenbury, Mr Wall.

Pursuant to resolution

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM—STANDING COMMITTEE: (Formed 13 December 2016): Mr Hanson, Ms Orr, Mr Parton, Mr Pettersson.

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND YOUTH AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE: (Formed 13 December 2016): Mr Pettersson (Chair), Mrs Kikkert, Mr Steel, Mr Wall.

ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT AND CITY SERVICES—STANDING COMMITTEE: (Formed 13 December 2016): Ms Cheyne, Mr Doszpot, Ms Orr, Mr Parton.

HEALTH, AGEING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—STANDING COMMITTEE: (Formed 13 December 2016): Mr Steel (Chair), Mrs Dunne, Mrs Kikkert, Ms Le Couteur, Mr Pettersson.

JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY—STANDING COMMITTEE: (Formed 13 December 2016): Mrs Jones (Chair), Ms Cody, Ms Lee, Mr Steel.

PLANNING AND URBAN RENEWAL—STANDING COMMITTEE: (Formed 13 December 2016): Ms Cheyne, Ms Lawder, Ms Le Couteur, Mr Milligan, Ms Orr.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: (Formed 13 December 2016): Ms Cody, Mr Coe, Mrs Dunne, Mr Pettersson.