PRIVATE MEMBERS’ BUSINESS

Notices

1  MS CODY: To move—That this Assembly:
   (1) notes that:
      (a) the ACT Government has been an historical leader in abortion law reform, having entrenched in legislation that abortion is a health matter and not a criminal matter, thereby protecting women and their reproductive choices;
      (b) law reforms including legal and regulated access to abortion to make abortions safer for those who access this service; and
      (c) ACT Government actions have created exclusion zones around the ACT’s legal abortion facility to ensure safe and accessible healthcare have been provided to women;
   (2) further notes:
      (a) the stigma which continues to exist in some sections of the community in relation to women’s reproductive rights;

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

(b) pharmacies may refuse to supply any prescription, medicine or item based on the particular religious or ethical views of the particular pharmacist; and

(c) the apprehension of rejection for women seeking access to reproductive health services, products and advice; and

(3) calls on the ACT Government to:

(a) explore options for the introduction of a requirement for health practitioners and pharmacies who choose not to, or choose to, supply relevant reproductive health medications, products and procedures, to display clearly visible signage:
   (i) to inform consumers;
   (ii) in plain language; and
   (iii) outline which particular reproductive health medications, advice and products they do or do not supply;

(b) work with pharmacists, health practitioners and their relevant representative organisations to ensure that their professional standards are met in the supply of reproductive health medications by allowing people, particularly women, to access these products and services without fear of intimidation, humiliation or embarrassment; and

(c) remind health practitioners of their ethical obligations in dispensing reproductive health medicines and that this is best practice to ensure continuity of care for a patient. (Notice given 13 August 2018. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks – standing order 125A).

2 **MR PARTON:** To move—That this Assembly:

(1) notes the important contribution made by clubs in the ACT, and:

   (a) this support includes $39 million in social contributions through direct community donations as well as access to a range of facilities and meeting rooms for community groups and members, volunteering and involvement of club staff in community organisations;

   (b) an investment of over $140 million in local sports teams and sporting infrastructure since 2000 and the maintenance and operation of significant sport and recreational infrastructure, in fact over 400 hectares; and

   (c) employment opportunities for more than 1,745 people, and a valuable community hub for more than 327,000 local Canberrans who are members of clubs in the ACT;

(2) also notes:

   (a) this Government’s excess fees, charges and taxes has resulted in a number of clubs closing and many other struggling to stay afloat;
(b) that NSW clubs and pubs pay a lower percentage of tax than ACT clubs; and

(c) that the regulatory conditions in the ACT make operating a community club difficult and restrict opportunities for growth, increased employment and greater community benefit; and

(3) calls on the ACT Government to:

(a) assure ACT community clubs that they will continue to be able to administer their own community contributions in accordance with the desires and interests of their membership;

(b) commit to the ACT community that any short fall in community contributions as a result of changes will be funded by the ACT Government in the form of sporting and community grants; and

(c) pledge that the public consultation process will proactively seek community input and assess a range of options – not just taking away the autonomy and decision making of Clubs in the ACT. (Notice given 13 August 2018. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks – standing order 125A).

3 MISS C. BURCH: To move—That this Assembly:

(1) notes that:

(a) from 2019, only 55 percent of Canberrans will be within walking distance from a Rapid bus stop, meaning 45 percent of Canberrans must walk over 800 metres or catch connecting services to access Rapid public transport;

(b) the new routes service fewer areas and leave many commuters forced to:
   (i) walk longer distances to a bus stop; or
   (ii) travel on a service that is slower; or
   (iii) change buses and take two or more bus routes to get to major town centres and hubs like Civic, Woden, Tuggeranong, Belconnen, Gungahlin and Barton;

(c) more than half of all dedicated school buses will be cut, forcing children to use the general public bus network and travel through interchanges to get to and from school;

(d) as of August 2018, the ACT Government is yet to release the 2019 bus timetable for consultation;

(e) without access to the proposed timetable, it is nearly impossible to ascertain the impact of the new network on commuters or for the community to provide genuine feedback in the consultation process; and
(f) there is strong dissatisfaction in the community of the ACT Government’s consultation process, and many feel their concerns are not being heard; and

(2) calls on the Minister for Transport and City Services to:

(a) explain to the Assembly why the language concerning public consultation has changed from wanting to understand the impacts of the new bus routes on commuters to “how we can best support you to use the bus network and improve your overall experience when using and connecting to public transport”;

(b) hold a further round of consultation for the proposed bus network, which would include releasing the proposed 2019 timetable for consultation, and detailing how community feedback has been incorporated into the proposed network; and

(c) make publicly available the results of the consultation, including a report to the Assembly which details community sentiment regarding the proposed changes, by November 2018. (Notice given 13 August 2018. 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) the importance of a well-funded and independent publicly-funded broadcaster for democracy, entertainment, and cultural life in the ACT;

(b) that Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) Canberra has been in existence for 65 years;

(c) that ABC Canberra is listened to and viewed by a significant proportion of Canberrans;

(d) the Federal Government has cut $282 million from the ABC since 2014, and $83.7 million over the past year; and

(e) these cuts have come at the expense of local programming for the ACT;

(2) calls on individual Members of the Assembly to:

(a) stand against cuts to the ABC; and

(b) tell the Assembly which way they voted in relation to privatisation of the ABC at the 2018 Liberal Party Federal Council; and

(3) further calls on the leaders of all parties in the Assembly to write a joint-letter to Senator the Hon Mitch Fifield, Minister for Communications, to express concern over the Federal Government’s cuts to the ABC. (Notice given 13 August 2018. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks – standing order 125A).
MRS DUNNE: To move—that this Assembly:

(1) notes the poor culture in the medical imaging department of The Canberra Hospital (TCH), and the impact this has on staff morale and performance, and patient safety, with this being a central theme of a recent accreditation status downgrade for the medical imaging training site for trainee radiologists;

(2) further notes:

(a) on 19 March 2018, the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists issued a preliminary report of its accreditation assessment for the provision of training of clinical radiologists in the medical imaging department at TCH (“The Assessment Report”);

(b) the Assessment Report recommended that the accreditation status for the training site be downgraded from Level A to Level D;

(c) the Assessment Report notes:

(i) the negative environment within the department;

(ii) the poor working relationship between the Directors of Training, the Head of Department, the Director of Medical Imaging and the hospital executive;

(iii) the lack of clinical control over the department;

(iv) clinical leaders having minimal involvement with the recruitment of new trainees, rostering of clinical staff, and other significant departmental decisions;

(v) internal political issues making working in the department difficult;

(vi) low morale amongst staff;

(vii) the impact of these issues on trainees’ health and wellbeing;

(viii) the lack of collaboration and communication within the department;

(ix) the stress caused to consultants and trainees over rostering arrangements and staff leave management resulting in a “great risk” to the department and patients;

(x) teaching sessions not being held while one of the Directors of Training had been on extended leave, resulting in “great concern” to patient safety;

(xi) TCH not being part of a training network, trainees not rotating to any private or rural sites, past attempts to establish networks having been unsuccessful, and the confusion over whether TCH was required to be part of a network;
(xii) the department not implementing system-focused rotations due to confusion regarding their necessity, and how trainees and consultants could be rostered to facilitate this;

(xiii) no formal teaching program being aligned to the curriculum for trainees, with teaching sessions often cancelled if the relevant consultant is not available;

(xiv) a lack of formal teaching sessions on patient safety and report writing;

(xv) a change to trainee recruitment processes, which required existing trainees to apply and interview for their positions in competition with new applicants, causing significant confusion and stress for trainees because of a lack of clear information coming from the department and hospital management;

(xvi) a person in a non-clinical role chairing the interviewing panel, which was in breach of the College’s trainee selection guidelines;

(xvii) the lack of a formal orientation program or manual for new trainees;

(xviii) the lack of formal, structured and documented support for trainees in difficulty, as required under the College’s Trainees in Difficulty Policy; and

(xix) imaging equipment being out-of-date, with no details of a replacement program provided to the assessors;

(d) a meeting held on 13 February 2017 between radiology registrars and the Chief Medical Officer, during which registrars raised concerns over:

(i) the lack of a registered nurse being on duty overnight when medical imaging is undertaken resulting in exposure of risks to patient safety;

(ii) possible delays in imaging reports, including critical reports, due to workload pressures and the lack of overnight nursing support;

(iii) registrar rotations with other hospitals and across disciplines, noting that “registrars are of the understanding the Medical Imaging Management have declined offers for these rotations, without explanation”;  

(iv) the lack of a clinical director; and

(v) consultants frequently not being rostered on, resulting in the lack of an escalation point, and working unsupervised;
(e) the evidence given to the Select Committee on Estimates 2018-2019 at hearings and in answers to questions on notice did not address fully the reasons for the accreditation downgrade to level D and that the Committee recommended, at Recommendation 77, “that relevant officials from the Health Directorate provide the Assembly with all the reasons for the downgrade in the accreditation status for the radiology department”;

(f) a number of public interest disclosures have been submitted, relating to the radiology department;

(g) the ACT Auditor-General is an officer of the Legislative Assembly; and

(3) calls on the Speaker to request the ACT Auditor-General to undertake a performance audit of the medical imaging department at TCH, and report by 31 January 2019. (Notice given 13 August 2018. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks – standing order 125A).

6 MISS C. BURCH: To move—that this Assembly:

(1) notes that:

(a) young Canberrans commute to and from places of employment late in the evening and early in the morning, particularly those who are shift-workers and those employed in the hospitality and trades industries;

(b) there are few other safe transport options available at these times of day, and a curfew on P-plater drivers may prevent many young Canberrans from working;

(c) an exemption process would be costly, bureaucratic, and confusing, and would place an unfair burden on responsible P-platers;

(d) the ACT Government advocates assigning a designated driver when heading out for an event or a night on the town. P-plater drivers are often relied upon as designated drivers right across Canberra;

(e) peer passenger restrictions would prevent P-platers from acting as designated drivers, and would place an unfair burden on many families;

(f) the “What We Heard” survey reported that 50 percent of respondents either disagreed or strongly disagreed with restrictions on first year P-platers from driving between midnight and 5 am;

(g) accident statistics show that over 66 percent of P-plater deaths on ACT roads took place outside of the proposed curfew hours. In 2016, only 2 percent of all crashes, and 20 percent of fatal crashes occurred between the hours of midnight and 5 am; and
calls on the Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety to categorically rule out:

(a) the implementation of a 12am-5am curfew for P-plater drivers, as this would significantly impact the ability of young Canberrans to participate in employment, and is not supported by accident statistics; and

(b) the implementation of passenger restrictions for P-plater drivers.

(Notice given 13 August 2018. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 4 sitting weeks – standing order 125A).

Orders of the day

1. **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (TERRITORY PLAN VARIATIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 2017**: (Ms Le Couteur) Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate *(from 10 May 2017—Ms Lawder)*.

2. **LANDS ACQUISITION (REPORTING REQUIREMENTS) AMENDMENT BILL 2018**: (Mr Coe) Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate *(from 14 February 2018—Mr Barr)*.

3. **HEALTH (IMPROVING ABORTION ACCESS) AMENDMENT BILL 2018**: (Ms Le Couteur) Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate *(from 21 March 2018—Ms Fitzharris)*.

4. **CRIMES (CONSENT) AMENDMENT BILL 2018**: (Ms Le Couteur) Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate *(from 11 April 2018—Mr Ramsay)*. *(Referred to the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety on 8 May 2018 for inquiry and report by the last sitting day in October 2018)*.

5. **MAGISTRATES COURT (RETIREMENT AGE OF MAGISTRATES) AMENDMENT BILL 2018**: (Mr Hanson) Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate *(from 9 May 2018—Mr Ramsay)*.

6. **ANTI-CORRUPTION AND INTEGRITY COMMISSION BILL 2018**: (Mr Coe) Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate *(from 6 June 2018—Mr Barr)*.

7. **GOVERNMENT AGENCIES (LAND ACQUISITION REPORTING) BILL 2018**: (Mr Coe) Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate *(from 1 August 2018—Ms Cody)*.
EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

Orders of the day


5. **BETTING OPERATIONS TAX BILL 2018**: (Treasurer): Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate (from 2 August 2018—Mr Parton).


7. **GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT (SECURE LOCAL JOBS) AMENDMENT BILL 2018**: (Minister for Workplace Safety and Industrial Relations): Agreement in principle—Resumption of debate (from 2 August 2018—Mr Wall). *(Referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Development and Tourism on 2 August 2018 for report by no later than the end of September 2018.)*

8. **ACT HEALTH REPORTING—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (from 14 February 2017—Mr Wall) on the motion of Ms Fitzharris—that the Assembly takes note of the paper.

9. **ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE FIRST YEAR—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (from 31 October 2017—Mrs Jones) on the motion of Mr Rattenbury—that the Assembly takes note of the paper.

10. **FEMALE DETAINEE ACCOMMODATION AT THE ALEXANDER MACONOCHE CENTRE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (from 31 October 2017—Mrs Jones) on the motion of Mr Rattenbury—that the Assembly takes note of the paper.
ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

Orders of the day


2 HEALTH, AGEING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—STANDING COMMITTEE—PROPOSED REFERRAL: Resumption of debate (from 7 June 2018—Mr Rattenbury) on the motion of Mrs Dunne—That the Standing Committee on Health, Ageing and Community Services inquire into and report on the delivery of high quality maternity services, including, but not limited to, the support of staff in a high-pressure environment, and any related matters.

3 ESTIMATES 2018-2019—SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT—APPROPRIATION BILL 2018-2019 AND APPROPRIATION (OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY) BILL 2018-2019—MOTION THAT REPORT BE NOTED: Resumption of debate (from 31 July 2018—Mr Barr) on the motion of Mr Wall—That the report be noted. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on within 3 sitting weeks—standing order 152A.)

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Last sitting day in September 2018

4 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—STANDING COMMITTEE: Presentation of report on papers relating to methodology for determining rates and land tax for strata residences, pursuant to order of the Assembly of 15 February 2018; amended 10 May 2018.

No later than the end of September 2018

5 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM—STANDING COMMITTEE: Presentation of report on the Government Procurement (Secure Local Jobs) Amendment Bill 2018, pursuant to order of the Assembly of 2 August 2018.

31 October 2018

6 INDEPENDENT INTEGRITY COMMISSION 2018—SELECT COMMITTEE: Presentation of report on the establishment of an integrity commission for the ACT, through examination of a draft Government Bill and the Anti-corruption and Integrity Commission Bill 2018, and other related matters pursuant to order of the Assembly of 6 June 2018.
Last sitting day in October 2018


Last sitting day in 2018

8 END-OF-LIFE CHOICES IN THE ACT—SELECT COMMITTEE: Presentation of report on end-of-life choices in the ACT, pursuant to order of the Assembly of 30 November 2017; amended 2 August 2018.

EXECUTIVE 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

1565-1591, 1593-1623, 1625-1627, 1629-1633.

T Duncan
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
GOVERNMENT TO RESPOND TO PETITIONS
(in accordance with standing order 100)

19 June 2018

Mitchell—Light rail stop—Minister for Transport and City Services—Petition lodged by
Ms Fitzharris (Pet 6-18).

7 August 2018

Dedicated bike path between Commonwealth and Kings Avenue Bridges—Minister for
Transport and City Services—Petition lodged by Ms Le Couteur (Pet 2-18).

30 October 2018

Eating Disorder Health Care Services in the ACT—Minister for Mental Health—Petition lodged
by Mr Pettersson (Pet 7-18). (Redirected 1 August 2018)

Sunday/Public holiday Bus Timetables—Minister for Transport and City Services—Petition
lodged by Ms Le Couteur (Pet 8-18).

13 November 2018

Tuggeranong Town Centre Master Plan—Minister for Planning and Land Management—
Petition lodged by Ms J Burch (Pet 11-18).

Charnwood Group Centre—Recycling options—Minister for Transport and City Services—
Petition lodged by Mrs Kikkert (Pet 16-18).

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, Mrs Dunne, Mr Rattenbury.
Pursuant to resolution

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM—STANDING COMMITTEE: *(Formed 13 December 2016; amended 26 October 2017)*: Mr Hanson (Chair), 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 Orr (Chair), Miss C Burch, Ms Cheyne, Ms Lawder.

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)*: Ms Lee (Chair), Ms Cody, Ms Lawder, Mr Steel.

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

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: *(Formed 13 December 2016; amended 26 October 2017)*: Mrs Dunne (Chair), Ms Cody, Mr Coe, Mr Pettersson.

Select

END OF LIFE CHOICES IN THE ACT—SELECT COMMITTEE: *(Formed 30 November 2017)*: Ms Cody (Chair), Ms Cheyne, Mrs Dunne, Mrs Kikkert, Ms Le Couteur.

INDEPENDENT INTEGRITY COMMISSION 2018—SELECT COMMITTEE: *(Formed 6 June 2018)*: Mr Rattenbury (Chair), Ms Cody, Mrs Dunne, Ms Lee, Mr Steel.

Dissolved

2016 ACT ELECTION AND ELECTORAL ACT—SELECT COMMITTEE: *(Formed 15 December 2016)*: Ms Cody (Chair), Ms Cheyne, Ms Le Couteur, Mr Milligan, Mr Wall. *(Presented 30 November 2017)*

ESTIMATES 2017-2018—SELECT COMMITTEE: *(Formed 16 February 2017)*: Mr Wall (Chair), Ms Cody, Mr Coe, Ms Le Couteur, Mr Pettersson. *(Presented 1 August 2017)*

ESTIMATES 2018-2019—SELECT COMMITTEE: *(Formed 22 March 2018)*: Mr Wall (Chair), Ms Cheyne, Ms Le Couteur, Ms Lee, Ms Orr. *(Presented 31 July 2018)*

INDEPENDENT INTEGRITY COMMISSION—SELECT COMMITTEE: *(Formed 15 December 2016; amended 6 June 2017)*: Mr Rattenbury (Chair), Ms Cody, Mrs Jones, Ms Lee, Mr Steel. *(Presented 31 October 2017)*
PRIVILEGES 2018—SELECT COMMITTEE: (Formed 12 April 2018): Mr Rattenbury (Chair), Ms Cheyne, Mr Wall. (Presented 31 July 2018)

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