



NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

DRAFT DAILY AGENDA

No. 12

Thursday 1 December 2016

The Assembly meets at 10.00

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Correct as at 18.07 Wednesday 30 November 2016

PROGRAM FOR ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

Thursday 1 December 2016

This is the program of meetings as approved by the Legislative Assembly on 18 October 2016. The program is subject to change.

Tuesday and Thursday

1. At 10.00
Prayers
2. Government Business – Notices and Orders of the Day
3. At 14.00
Notices
Petitions
Questions
4. Government Business
5. Ministerial Statements
6. Papers
7. Consideration of Committee Reports and Government Responses and Auditor-General's Reports
8. Discussion pursuant to Standing Order 66 (Matter of Public Importance)

Wednesday

1. At 10.00
Prayers
2. Government Business – Notices and Orders of the Day
3. At 14.00
Notices
Petitions
Questions
4. General Business – Notices and Orders of the Day
5. At 19.00
Government Business
6. Papers

Meeting days (indicative dates only, subject to change) —

2017

February – 14, 15, 16

March – 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23

May – 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11

June – 22

August – 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24

October – 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19

November – 28, 29, 30

PROGRAM FOR ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

As advised by Committee Office, effective from 22 November 2016

THURSDAY 1 DECEMBER 2016

House Committee

12:00 Private meeting, convene Speaker's Office

NOTICE PAPER

No. 12

Thursday 1 December 2016

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Notices

1 **Medical Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 (Serial 14)**

Notice Given: Ms Fyles
Date: 30 November 2016
Status: To be introduced

Orders of the Day

1 **Liquor Amendment Bill 2016 Serial 13**

Date: 30 November 2016
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion – That the Bill be read a second time (adjourned by Mrs Finocchiaro on 30 November 2016)
Spoken: Ms Fyles

2 **Youth Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 (Serial 5)**

Introduced by: Ms Wakefield
Date: 20 October 2016
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion – That the Bill be read a second time (adjourned by Mrs Finocchiaro 25 October 2016)
Spoken: Ms Wakefield

3 **Establishment of an Inquiry into Options for Political Reform**

Date: 30 November 2016
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion -

The Northern Territory Legislative Assembly appoints a person under section 4A of the Northern Territory *Inquiries Act* to inquire into and report on options for the reform of political funding and donations in the Northern Territory by no later than 12 months from today, including:

1. Should there be a cap on how much parties can spend on a campaign, how it should be calculated and what other details should be considered.
2. Whether or not 'full' or 'partial' public funding of political parties and candidates should be provided.
3. If a 'partial' public funding scheme is considered preferable, recommendations as to a potential model, the basis upon which such funding is to be provided and

- whether a threshold for such funding should be adopted (consideration should extend to any legislative/regulatory amendments that would be required to affect such a model).
4. What is the appropriate level to cap the value of political donations to parties, groups, candidates, elected members and third-party campaigners; what methodology should be used to determine that cap; and what measures can be put in place to ensure that any caps are effective.
 5. Whether the current donations disclosure requirements are appropriate including potential changes to the method, timing and publication of disclosures.
 6. What controls should apply to the making of political donations, including:
 - i. whether or not particular entities or groups of donors should be excluded; and
 - ii. any limitations or restrictions or caps on such political donations.
 7. Whether there have been any breaches of the Northern Territory *Electoral Act* in relation to donations made to political parties and candidates in the Northern Territory over the last 10 years.
 8. Any legislative or regulatory amendments that should be made to ensure that limits on political donations and disclosure requirements cannot be avoided through the use of third parties, associated entities or other means. To this end the inquiry will investigate:
 - i. The structure of Foundation 51 and the scope of its activities;
 - ii. The relationship between Foundation 51 and the Northern Territory Government and its Agencies and any related conflicts of interest;
 - iii. The relationship between Foundation 51 and the Country Liberal Party and any related conflicts of interest;
 - iv. The extent of direct and indirect financial and in-kind support provided by Foundation 51 to the Country Liberal Party, Members of Parliament and candidates for Parliamentary elections;
 - v. The extent of breaches of the Northern Territory *Electoral Act* and any other Territory legislation by Foundation 51; and
 - vi. The activities of Harold Nelson Holdings and its compliance with the Northern Territory *Electoral Act*.
 9. Any other matters relevant to political funding and donations.

- Spoken: Mr Gunner, Gunner, Higgins, Wood, Mills (9 minutes remaining)
- 4 **Ministerial Statement on Infrastructure– Motion to Note**
Introduced by: Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics
Date introduced: 22 November 2016
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion - That the Assembly take note of the Statement (Adjourned by Ms Fyles on 22 November 2016).
Spoken: Ms Manison, Mr Higgins, Mr Vowles, Mr Wood, Ms Lawler, Ms Nelson, Mrs Lambley
- 5 **Remuneration Tribunal Report and Determination No 2 of 2016**
Introduced by: Ms Fyles (Leader of Government Business)
Date introduced: 18 October 2016
Status: Leave granted for Ms Fyles to continue
Spoken: Ms Fyles
- 6 **Treasurer’s Annual Financial Report 2015-16: Motion to Note**
Introduced by: Ms Manison (Treasurer)
Date introduced: 25 October 2016
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion - That the Assembly take note of the Report (Adjourned by Ms Fyles on 26 October 2016)
Spoken: Ms Manison
- 7 **Domestic and Family Violence (Recognition of Domestic Violence Orders) (National Uniform Law) Amendment Bill 2016 (Serial 3)**
Introduced by: Ms Fyles
Date: 25 October 2016
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion – That the Bill be read a second time (adjourned by Mrs Finocchiaro 26 October 2016)
Spoken: Ms Fyles
- 8 **Statute Law Revision Bill 2016 (Serial 4)**
Introduced by: Ms Fyles
Date: 27 October 2016
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion – That the Bill be read a second time (adjourned by Mrs Finocchiaro 27 October 2016)
Spoken: Ms Fyles
- 9 **Classification of Publications, Films and Computer Games Amendment Bill 2016 (Serial 2)**
Introduced by: Ms Fyles
Date: 27 October 2016
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion – That the Bill be read a second time (adjourned by Mrs Finocchiaro 27 October 2016)
Spoken: Ms Fyles

- 10 **Treasurer's Mid-Year Report 2016-2017: Motion to Note**
Introduced by: Ms Manison (Treasurer)
Date introduced: 29 November 2016
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion - That the Assembly take note of the Report (Adjourned by Ms Fyles on 29 November 2016)
Spoken: Ms Manison
- 11 **Justice Legislation Amendment (Body Worn Video and Domestic Violence Evidence) Bill 2016 Serial 10**
Date: 30 November 2016
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion – That the Bill be read a second time (adjourned by Mr Higgins on 30 November 2016)
Spoken: Ms Fyles
- 12 **Criminal Code Amendment (Mental Impairment and Unfitness to be Tried) Bill 2016 Serial 11**
Date: 30 November 2016
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion – That the Bill be read a second time (adjourned by Mrs Finocchiaro on 30 November 2016)
Spoken: Ms Fyles
- 13 **Justice and Other Legislation Amendment (Australian Crime Commission) Bill 2016 Serial 12**
Date: 30 November 2016
Status: Resumption on debate of the motion – That the Bill be read a second time (adjourned by Mrs Finocchiaro on 30 November 2016)
Spoken: Ms Fyles

GENERAL BUSINESS

Notices

- 1 **Alice Springs Taxi Industry**
Notice Given: Mrs Lambley
Date: 24 November 2016
Status: To be moved:
1. The Assembly refers to the Public Account Committee for inquiry and report the efficiency, effectiveness and probity of the regulation and licensing of the Alice Springs taxi industry, having particular regard to:
 - (a) the allocation of taxi licences by the Department of Transport
 - (b) the sub-leasing of taxi licences
 - (c) the future of the taxi industry in Alice Springs.
 2. This resolution has effect despite any inconsistency with the Standing Orders.

2 Use of Language in the Legislative Assembly

Notice Given: Mr Guyula
Date: 24 November 2016
Status: To be moved:

1. That this Assembly remove all words in Standing Order 23A and replace with the following:
A Member may rise to speak in any language other than English so long as an oral translation is provided in the English language by the same Member immediately prior to or after the words spoken in the language other than English.
2. That a new Standing Order 23B be adopted as follows:
A Member may be assisted on the floor of the Assembly by an interpreter to provide interpretation from the English language into the first language of the Member and from the first language of the Member into English. The interpreter will only be present for the purposes of interpreting and not for any other purpose and must vacate the floor when not undertaking those duties.

3 Small Business and Job Creation

Notice Given: Mrs Finocchiaro
Date: 24 November 2016
Status: To be moved:

This Assembly calls on the Territory Government to recognise that small business is the backbone of the Territory economy and is vital to job creation.

4 Mining and the Creation of Jobs

Notice Given: Mrs Finocchiaro
Date: 24 November 2016
Status: To be moved:

This Assembly calls on the Territory Government to recognise the importance of mining to the Territory economy and to the creation of jobs.

5 Sport and Recreation Portfolio

Notice Given: Mr Higgins
Date: 24 November 2016
Status: To be moved:

This Assembly calls on the Territory Government to:

- Recognise the importance of sport and recreation as a stand-alone area of public policy and not allow it to be shelved in a large departmental cluster;
- Detail its plans to cut \$184 million from the public service and what impact this will have on Departmental clusters.

6 Law, Order and Community Safety

Notice Given: Mr Higgins
Date: 24 November 2016
Status: To be moved:

This Assembly calls on the Territory Government to maintain the focus on law and order established by the Country Liberals and not drop the ball on community safety.

7 Electoral Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2016 (Serial 8)

Notice Given: Mr Wood
Date: 29 November 2016
Status: To be introduced

8 Planning Amendment Bill 2016 (Serial 9)

Notice Given: Mr Wood
Date: 29 November 2016
Status: To be introduced

Orders of the Day

1 Groundwater for Stock and Domestic Use

Introduced by: Mr Higgins
Date: 26 October 2016
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion -

That this Assembly:

- supports the development and implementation of management plans, regulations and laws for the extraction of groundwater water for stock and domestic use in the Northern Territory
- recognises that stock and domestic groundwater users have made significant investments in their water infrastructure

and calls on the Northern Territory Government to:

- make the necessary amendments to legislation to allow as a priority, people who extract water for stock and domestic use to be able to continue to do so
- identify a period of time where all groundwater reliant non income generating users may be exempt from the requirement to obtain an extraction licence and
- plan for the delivery of reticulated water to users of groundwater in the rural area (Adjourned by Ms Fyles on 26 October 2016).

Spoken: Mr Higgins, Ms Purick, Mr Wood

2 Local Business and Jobs Creation

Introduced by: Mrs Finocchiaro
Date: 23 November 2016
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion -

That this Assembly:
Calls on the Territory Government to take seriously the importance of local businesses for the creation of jobs in the Northern Territory.

Spoken: Mrs Finocchiaro, Mr Gunner, Mr Wood, Mr Mills (14 minutes remaining)

3 Government Employee Housing

Introduced by: Mrs Finocchiaro
Date: 30 November 2016
Status: Resumption of debate on the motion -

This Assembly calls on the Northern Territory Government to explain:

- How the new entitlement of Government Employee Housing for local recruits will be rolled out;
- What will be the eligibility requirements and how will these entitlements be managed;
- What benefit will flow to local recruits that are unable to be provided with Government Employee Housing in the short, medium and long term;
- What impact this will have on current Enterprise Bargaining Agreements and how these impacts will be managed.

Spoken: Mrs Finocchiaro, Mr McCarthy, Mrs Lambley (15 minutes remaining)

**CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE AND AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORTS
AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSES**

(following Papers daily pursuant to Standing Order 60)

- 1 **Auditor-General for the Northern Territory, Report to the Legislative Assembly, November 2016: Motion to Note**
Introduced by: Mr Gunner (Chief Minister)
Date introduced: 24 November 2016
Status: That the Assembly take note of the Report. Leave granted for Mr Gunner to continue remarks at a later time

MICHAEL TATHAM
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

Following are committees appointed by the 13th Assembly, their membership, current inquiries and reports tabled. For further information go to <http://www.nt.gov.au/lant/parliamentary-business/committees/committees.shtml>

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

Members –

Ms Fyles (Chair), Mr Higgins (Deputy Chair), Ms Purick, Mr Kirby, Ms Ah Kit and Mrs Lambley

PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE [also performs the functions of the Members' Interests Committee]

Members –

Ms Fyles (Chair), Mr Collins, Ms Manison, Mrs Finocchiaro, Mr Wood

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Members –

Mr Collins (Chair), Mrs Finocchiaro (Deputy Chair), Mr Sievers, Ms Uibo, Mr Mills

SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION AND PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Members –

Mr Collins (Chair), Mrs Finocchiaro (Deputy Chair), Mr Sievers, Ms Uibo, Mr Mills

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

Members –

Mrs Worden (Chair), Mr Mills (Deputy Chair), Mr McConnell, Mr Kirby, Mrs Finocchiaro, Mr Guyula

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Members –

Ms Purick (Chair), Mr Paech, Ms Nelson, Mr Higgins, Mr Sievers

SELECT COMMITTEE ON OPENING PARLIAMENT TO THE PEOPLE

Members –

Mr Collins (Chair), Mrs Lambley (Deputy Chair), Ms Ah Kit, Mr McConnell, Mrs Worden, Mr Higgins, Mr Wood.

SPEAKER AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

SPEAKER

The Honourable Kezia Purick

DEPUTY SPEAKER

Mr Chanston Paech

ACTING DEPUTY SPEAKERS

Mr Gerry Wood, Mrs Robyn Lambley, Mrs Kate Worden, Mr Jeff Collins, Ms Selena Uibo

WHIPS

Mr Paul Kirby – Government
Mrs Lia Finocchiaro – Opposition