

**NORFOLK ISLAND
TWELFTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
WEDNESDAY 10 OCTOBER 2007**

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1 The Legislative Assembly met at 10.00 am. The Speaker, Hon Lisle Snell MLA, took the Chair and read Prayers

2 **LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND HEALTH**

Leave of absence from the sitting was unanimously extended to Minister for Tourism and Health

3 **WELCOME**

The Speaker welcomed those present in the public gallery

4 **CONDOLENCES**

Mr Tim Sheridan recorded the passing of –

**Kathleen Joyce Farnsworth
Ellen Agnes Davison**

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased all Members stood in silence

5 **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

6 **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

The following papers were presented:

- (1) Mr Neville Christian, Minister for Finance, on behalf of the Minister for Tourism and Health – Inbound – Inbound passenger statistics for September 2007
Mr Christian moved -

THAT the House take note of the paper

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

- (2) Mrs Jack, Minister for the Environment, Education and Social Welfare – Education (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2007
(3) Mr Magri, Minister for Commerce and Industry – Road Traffic General (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2007
(4) Mr Neville Christian, Minister for Finance tabled –

- a. GST Quarterly Report for period July to September 2007
Mr Christian moved -

THAT the House take note of the paper

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

- b. On behalf of Minister for Tourism and Health - Annual Report 2006-2007 and Financial Statements for year ended 30 June 2007 for Norfolk Island Government Tourist Bureau
Mr Christian moved -

THAT the House take note of the paper

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

- c. On behalf of the Minister for Tourism and Health – Annual Report for year ended 30 June 2007 and audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2007 for the Norfolk Island Hospital Enterprise
Mr Christian moved -
THAT the House take note of the paper
Debate ensued
Question put and agreed to on the voices

7 STATEMENTS

- (1) Mrs Jack, Minister for the Environment, Education and Social Welfare, briefed the House on her recent trip to India to attend the annual CPA Parliamentary Conference and Conference for Small Countries
- (2) Neville Christian, Minister for Finance, reported on the success of the government initiative to provide members of the business community with complimentary tuition on GST
- (3) Mr Nobbs, Chief Minister –
- Provided a further update on the Governments 2007-2009 Strategic Plan which will for the blueprint for the many changes and improvements the Norfolk Island Government intends to implement in its term of office
 - Advised the community of his forthcoming attendance at the 19th CPA Annual Parliamentary Seminar to be held at the Scottish Parliament in Edinburgh Scotland and of his intended brief visit to the Isle of Man to continue dialogue on a future twin island relationship with the Isle of Man

8 MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

The Speaker reported **Message No. 8** from the Acting Administrator dated 26 September advising that on 25 September 2007 he declared his assent to the Tourist Accommodation (Amendment) Act 2007

9 SOCIAL SERVICES ACT 1980 – REVOCATION OF APPOINTMENT AND NEW INSTRUMENT OF APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY MEMBER TO THE SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD

Mrs Jack, Minister for the Environment, Education and Social Services, pursuant to notice, moved -

THAT for the purposes of section 8 of the *Social Services Act 1980* this House recommends to His Honour the Acting Administrator that under section 4 (2) of the Act that he revoke the purported instrument of appointment to the Board dated 3 May 2007, and that he now appoint —

Patricia Madge Anderson

as a community member of the Social Services Board for a period of 3 years commencing on and including 11 October 2007

Debate ensued
Question put and agreed to on the voices

10 CRIMINAL PROCEDURE BILL 2007

Mr Magri, Minister for Commerce and Industry, on behalf of and at the request of the Minister for Tourism and Health, presented the Criminal Procedure Bill 2007 and moved –

THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle

Debate ensued
Debate adjourned (Mr Magri) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for a subsequent day of sitting

11 CRIMINAL CODE BILL 2007

Mr Magri, Minister for Commerce and Industry, on behalf of and at the request of the Minister for Tourism and Health, presented the Criminal Code Bill 2007 and moved –

THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr Magri) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for a subsequent day of sitting

12 COURT PROCEDURES BILL 2007

Mr Magri, Minister for Commerce and Industry, on behalf of and at the request of the Minister for Tourism and Health, presented the Court Procedures Bill 2007 and moved –

THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr Magri) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for a subsequent day of sitting

13 SENTENCING BILL 2007

Mr Magri, Minister for Commerce and Industry, on behalf of and at the request of the Minister for Tourism and Health, presented the Sentencing Bill 2007 and moved –

THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr Magri) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for a subsequent day of sitting

14 FIXING OF NEXT SITTING DAY

Mrs Jack, Minister for the Environment, Education and Social Welfare, moved –

**THAT the House at its rising adjourn until Wednesday
14 November 2007 at 10 am**

Question put and agreed to on the voices

15 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Brendon Christian moved –

THAT the House do now adjourn

Debate ensued with Mrs Jack and Mr Nobbs participating

Question put and agreed to on the voices

AND THEN the House at 12.- pm adjourned until Wednesday 14 November 2007 at 10 am

Robin-Eleanor Adams

Clerk to the Legislative Assembly

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present, except Mr Gardner by leave