

**NORFOLK ISLAND  
FOURTEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
WEDNESDAY 21 MAY 2014**

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FORTIINTH LEJESLIETEW 'SEMBLE  
WEDNESDAY 21 MIEH 2014**

1 The Legislative Assembly met at 10.02 am, the Speaker, Hon David Buffett AM MLA, took the Chair and read Prayers

2 **CONDOLENCES**

Mr Evans recorded the passing of –

**Katherine Daisy Adams-Friend**

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

3 **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE (10.07 AM)**

4 **ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

Responses were provided to:

**60 Mrs Ward to ask the Chief Minister and Minister for Tourism -**

What comfort can be given to the community that the Commonwealth funded Cascade Pier project is not lost given that a condition for Minister Briggs agreeing to the project proceeding is the development of a progressive rates implementation strategy for the Island?

**61 Mrs Ward to ask the Chief Minister and Minister for Tourism --**

Will the Chief Minister provide to the House a list of apprenticeships, traineeships and related youth programs which are currently funded by the Norfolk Island Government?

1) **Paper tabled:** Mr Snell tabled the **NSW VET Statement of Purpose**

**62 Mrs Ward to ask the Minister for Cultural Heritage and Community Services –**

Will the Minister provide to the House the documented staff recruitment processes used by the management of the Norfolk Island Hospital Enterprise and include the process used by the 'Panel' in the recent recruitment of the Director?

2) **Paper tabled:** Ms Adams tabled the **NIHE Recruitment & Selection Policy**

**63 Mrs Ward to ask the Minister for Finance –**

Given that the Electricity Working Group Report has been received by the Government; will a restructured electricity pricing regime be implemented by July 1, 2014?

5 **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

The following papers were presented:

- 3) Minister for the Environment, Mr Ward - **Exposure Draft of the Community Title Bill 2014 and Explanatory Memorandum**
- 4) Minister for Cultural Heritage and Community Services, Ms Adams – **Letter to Hon Jamie Briggs MP re NIHE and Health Services**
- 5) Minister for Finance, Mr Sheridan – **Revenue Fund Financial Indicators March 2014 and material departures from Budget**
- 6) Minister for Finance, Mr Sheridan – **Virements for April and May 2014**

6 **STATEMENTS OF AN OFFICIAL NATURE**

The following statement was made –

- 1) Minister for the Environment, Mr Ward – **NI Pests and Diseases Survey – Potato/Tomato Psyllid**

**7 MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR – NO 13**

**Message No. 13** from the Administrator advising that on 24 April 2014, under section 21 of the *Norfolk Island Act 1979*, he declared his assent to the **Appropriation (n 2) Act 2013-2014** (Act No 5 of 2014), the **Absentee Landowners Levy** (Amendment No 2) Act 2014 (Act No 6 of 2014) and the **Healthcare** (Amendment) Act 2014 (Act No 7 of 2014)

**8 REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

Mr Nobbs, Chairman IBDC tabled the Fourth Quarterly Report of the Infrastructure and Business Development Committee of the 14<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly dated 21 May 2014

**7) Paper tabled: Mr Nobbs tabled the Fourth Quarterly Report of the IBDC**

Mr Snell moved -

**THAT the Report be noted**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**NOTICES****9 NORFOLK ISLAND HOSPITAL ACT 1985**

Minister for Cultural Heritage and Community Services, Ms Adams, pursuant to notice, moved -

**THAT this House, in accordance with section 12A of the *Norfolk Island Hospital Act 1985*, resolve that —**

**Kim Olesen, Director of Nursing and Midwifery Services  
from the South Eastern Sydney Local Health District**

**be appointed by the Minister as a deputy to the representative member of the South Eastern Sydney Local Health District on the Norfolk Island Hospital Advisory Board for a term of 12 months commencing on the date of gazettal of this appointment.**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**10 CUSTOMS ACT 1913 - EXEMPTION FROM PAYMENT OF CUSTOMS DUTY**

Minister for Finance, Mr Sheridan pursuant to notice, moved -

**THAT, under subsection 2B(4) of the Customs Act 1913, this House recommends to the Administrator that the goods specified in column 1 of the Schedule imported by the person specified in column 2, and on the conditions mentioned in column 2 of the Schedule, be exempted from duty -**

**SCHEDULE****Column 1****Goods**

**Goods purchased for Norfolk Island Commonwealth Games Team to give to fellow competitors  
- amount of duty applicable \$367.20**

**12 x 6 man outrigger canoes  
- amount of duty applicable \$22,032.00**

**Column 2****Importer/conditions**

**Norfolk Island Amateur Sports & Commonwealth Games Association  
Conditions: Nil**

**Norfolk Island Wa'a Outrigger Club Inc  
Conditions: During the period of 3 years after importation the canoes (a) may only be used for the purposes of the Norfolk Island Wa'a Outrigger Club Inc; and (b) may not be re-exported from Norfolk Island.**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**11 MOTION BY LEAVE  
EMPLOYMENT ACT 1988 - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO THE EMPLOYMENT  
CONCILIATION BOARD**

Minister for Cultural Heritage and Community Services, Ms Adams, sought leave to move the foreshadowed motion

Question – **THAT leave be granted** – put and agreed on the voices  
Minister for Cultural Heritage and Community Services, Ms Adams, moved -

**THAT for the purposes of subsection 65(2) of the Employment Act 1988, this House resolve to appoint –**

**Richard Graham Massicks**

**being a person with relevant qualifications and experience, to the Employment Conciliation Board for the period of three years commencing on the date of gazettal of the instrument of appointment.**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**12 IMMIGRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL 2014  
IMAGRIESHAN (CHIENJEN) BIL 2014**

Minister for Cultural Heritage and Community Services, Ms Adams, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Immigration Act 1980* and moved -

**THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle**

8) **Paper tabled: Ms Adams** tabled the explanatory memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

Ms Adams moved –

**THAT debate be adjourned and the resumption of debate made an  
Order of the Day for a subsequent day of sitting**

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**13 FIXING OF NEXT SITTING DAY**

Mr Porter moved –

**THAT the House at its rising adjourn until Wednesday 11 June 2014 at 10 am**

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**14 ADJOURNMENT**

Ms Ward moved –

**THAT the House do now adjourn**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**AND THEN the House at 11.57 am adjourned until Wednesday 11 June 2014 at 10.00 am**

Gaye Evans

**Clerk to the Legislative Assembly**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** All Members were present