

1979
NORFOLK ISLAND

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

NO. 5
WEDNESDAY, 31 OCTOBER 1979

- 1 The Assembly met, at 2 p.m. Mr President (Hon. D.E. Buffett) took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2 CONDOLENCES: Mr Blucher (Deputy Chief Minister) referred to the deaths of Mr E.J. Le Cren, Mrs Marjory Sims, Mr John Lamb, Mr Norman Bowman, Mr W.S. Stephenson and Mr Martin Svendson.
As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, all Members stood, in silence.
- 3 DISTINGUISHED VISITORS: Mr President drew attention to the presence in the gallery of the Hon. Sir Walter Campbell, Mr Grimwade and Mr Porter, members of the Remuneration Tribunal. On behalf of the Assembly, Mr President extended to the visitors a warm welcome.
- 4 QUESTIONS.
- 5 INTERIM SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD - STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT:
Mr President made a statement informing the House of the membership and terms of reference of the Interim Social Services Board.
Mr Nunn, by leave, also made a statement on the same matter.
- 6 IMMIGRATION BOARD - STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT: Mr President made a statement informing the House of the formation and membership of an Immigration Board.
Mr Nunn, by leave, also made a statement on the same matter.

- 7 BUILDING BOARD - DEVELOPMENTS - STATEMENT BY MEMBER:
Mr Howard, by leave, made a statement informing the House of developments by the Building Board and of the Board's attitudes in relation to certain matters.
- 8 BULK GAS INSTALLATION - STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr Mackenzie, by leave, made a statement informing the House of the proposed installation of a bulk gas facility at Ball Bay.
- 9 AIR LINK - STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr McIntyre, by leave, made a statement informing the House of developments in the proposed upgrading of the airstrip and air links with mainland Australia and New Zealand.
- 10 MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR: Message No. 5 from the Administrator, dated 29 October 1979, was reported -
- (a) notifying assent by the Governor-General to the following bills:
 - 10 October 1979 -
 - Public Service (Act No. 4 of 1979).
 - Legislative Assembly (Powers, Privileges and Immunities) (Act No. 5 of 1979).
 - (b) notifying assent to the following bill:
 - 23 October 1979 - Liquor (Act No. 6 of 1979).
 - (c) notifying that the following bills had been reserved for the Governor-General's pleasure:
 - Ordinance Revision 1979.
 - Norfolk Island Flag and Public Seal 1979.
- 11 COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION - FORMATION OF A BRANCH: Mr Blucher (Deputy Chief Minister), by leave, moved - That the Legislative Assembly of Norfolk Island form a branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and that admission to the Association be sought immediately. Debate ensued.
Motion agreed to unanimously.

- 12 COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION - APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Mr Blucher (Deputy Chief Minister), by leave, moved - That the Executive Committee of the Branch consist of Mr David Buffett as President and Mr Kevin Williams as Vice-President.
Motion agreed to unanimously.
- 13 COURT OF PETTY SESSIONS BILL 1979: Resumption of debate on the question - That the bill be agreed to in principle - Debate resumed.
Motion agreed to unanimously.
Leave granted to dispense with the detail stage.
Mr McIntyre moved - That the bill be agreed to.
Bill agreed to unanimously.
- 14 STOCK DISEASES BILL 1979: Resumption of debate on the question - That the bill be agreed to in principle - Debate resumed.
Motion agreed to - Mr Williams abstaining.
Leave granted to dispense with the detail stage.
Mr Ryves moved - That the bill be agreed to.
Bill agreed to - Mr Williams abstaining.
- 15 PASTURAGE AND ENCLOSURE BILL 1979: Resumption of debate on the question - That the bill be agreed to in principle - Debate resumed.
Motion agreed to unanimously.
Leave granted to dispense with the detail stage.
Mr Ryves moved - That the bill be agreed to.
Bill agreed to unanimously.
- 16 DAY OF NEXT MEETING: Mr Ryves moved - That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday, 12 December, at 2 p.m.
Motion agreed to unanimously.

17 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Williams moved - That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

And then the Assembly at 3.38 p.m. adjourned until Wednesday, 12 December, at 2 p.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present.

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A.R. BROWNING
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly