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NORFOLK ISLAND

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

NO. 30

WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER 1981

1 The Assembly met at 2 p.m. Mr. President (Hon. D.E. Buffett) took the Chair and read the prayer.

2 DEPUTY PRESIDENT

Mr. President reported to the House that a vacancy had occurred in the office of Deputy President and asked for nominations for election to the office. Mr. MacKenzie moved -

"That Mr. McIntyre be elected Deputy President."

There being no other nominations Mr. President declared Mr. McIntyre to have been elected Deputy President.

3 QUESTIONS

4 LEAVE OF ABSENCE (MR. WILLIAMS)

The House gave leave of absence from the meeting to Mr. Williams

5 STATEMENTS

- (1) Mr. Buffett (Chief Minister), by leave, made a statement in respect of progress made in negotiations on the method of voting for members of the Norfolk Island Legislative Assembly.
- (2) Mr. McIntyre (Minister for Resources and Planning), by leave, made a statement in respect of progress made in the implementation of a grading system for tourist accommodation on Norfolk Island.
- (3) Mr. McIntyre (Minister for Resources and Planning), by leave, made a statement in respect of a proposed sewage scheme for certain premises on Norfolk Island.

Mr. Jackson moved -

"That the statement be noted".

Debate ensued.
Motion agreed unanimously.

6 MESSAGES FROM ACTING ADMINISTRATOR

Messages from the Acting Administrator were reported advising -

- that on 5 November 1981 he reserved the Legislative Assembly (Amendment) Bill 1981 for the Governor-General's pleasure;
- that on 4 November 1981 the Governor-General assented to the Church of England Act 1981 and the Church of England (Amendment) Act 1981; and
- that on 10 November he reserved the Customs (Amendment) Bill 1981 for the Governor-General's pleasure.

7 PLANNING BILL 1981

Mr. McIntyre (Minister for Resources and Planning), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the planning of development on Norfolk Island and moved -

"That the Bill be agreed to in principle".

Debate ensued.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Howard), and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

8 COURT OF PETTY SESSIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1981

Mr. McIntyre, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Court of Petty Sessions Ordinance 1960, and moved -

"That the Bill be agreed to in principle".

Debate ensued.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Jackson), and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

9 DECLARATION OF BILL AS URGENT

The Deputy President informed the House that the Business Committee has met and declared, in accordance with Standing Order 158, that the Pasturage and Enclosure (Amendment) Bill 1981 is an urgent Bill.

10 PASTURAGE AND ENCLOSURE (AMENDMENT) BILL 1981

Mr. Buffett (Chief Minister), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Pasturage and Enclosure Ordinance 1949, and moved -

"That the Bill be agreed to in principle".

Debate ensued.
Motion agreed to unanimously.
Leave granted to dispense with detail stage.
Mr. Buffett (Chief Minister) moved -

"That the Bill be agreed to".

Bill agreed to unanimously.

11 EDUCATION BILL 1981

Resumption of debate on the question -

"That the Bill be agreed to in principle".

Debate ensued.
Motion agreed to - Mr. Snell abstaining.
Leave granted to dispense with detail stage.
Mr. Buffett (Chief Minister) moved -

"That the Bill be agreed to".

Bill agreed to - Mr. Snell abstaining.

12 ROAD TRAFFIC BILL 1981

Resumption of debate on the question -

"That the Bill be agreed to in principle".

Debate adjourned (Mr. MacKenzie), and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

13 DAY OF NEXT SITTING

Mr. Jackson moved -

"That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday 27 January 1982 at 2 p.m.".

Motion agreed to unanimously.

14 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Howard moved -

"That the House do now adjourn".

Debate ensued.

Paper Mr. Jackson, when speaking to the motion, laid on the Table of the House a paper prepared by Mr. Howard MLA prior to his election to the House.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

AND then the House at 4.20 p.m. adjourned until Wednesday 27 January 1982 at 2 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All members, except Mr. Williams (by leave) were present.

(CLIVE E. BORROWMAN)
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly