

NORFOLK ISLAND
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
WEDNESDAY 29 JUNE 1994

1 The Legislative Assembly met at 10.07 am. Mr President (Hon D E Buffett) took the Chair and read the Prayer

2 **CONDOLENCES**
Mr Adams reported the death of -

Edward Francis Yeaman

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

3 **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**
During Questions Without Notice the following paper was presented to the House :

(1) Mr King (Minister for Tourism and Works) -
Special Leave with Pay - Motion by Public Service Board

4 **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**
The following papers were presented to the House :

(2) Mr Bennett (Minister for Finance) - Airport Charges Amendment Regulations 1994

(3) Mrs Lozzi-Cuthbertson (Minister for Health and Education) - direction dated 25 May 1994 under section 20(4) of the Norfolk Island Hospital Act 1993

5 **STATEMENTS**
Statements were made in respect of the following matters:

(a) Mrs Lozzi-Cuthbertson (Minister for Health and Education) concerning incorrect statement of Mrs H Sampson following the Minister's statement on her discussions concerning school fees.

(b) Mr Bennett (Minister for Finance) on mobile trunk and radio telephone installation concerning preliminary work on base station.

(c) Mr King (Minister for Tourism and Works) concerning a particular decision made under the Immigration Act.

(d) Mr King (Minister for Tourism and Works) concerning Norfolk Island's relationship with Australia featured on Australian Television including an interview with certain Norfolk Island residents, including a former member of this House; advocating independence, with which Mr King wished to disassociate himself.

Mr Bates moved -

THAT the House take note of the statement

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to unanimously

6 **MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR**
Mr President reported the following message from the Office of the Administrator:

Message No. 72 from the Administrator advising that on 21 June 1994 he declared his assent to the Criminal Law Amendment Act 1994 and the Deserted Wives and Children Ordinance 1923 Repeal Act 1994

7 **REMOVAL OF WATER HYACINTH FROM WATERMILL CREEK**
Mr Bates moved -

THAT this House recommend to the Administration that removal of water hyacinth by mechanical means from the Watermill and Town Creeks be suspended immediately and remain stopped until the Minister for the Environment provide a report for consideration by this House justifying its need.

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to

Mr Christian (Minister for the Environment) abstained

8 **FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS LEVY AMENDMENT BILL 1994**
Mr Bennett (Minister for Finance), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Financial Institutions Levy Act 1985, together with an explanatory memorandum, and moved -

THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle

Debate ensued

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

9 APPROPRIATION BILL 1994-95

Debate resumed on the question - That the Bill be agreed to in principle.

Question put

Bill agreed to in principle

Mrs Sampson voted against the motion

Leave granted to dispense with the detail stage
Mr Christian (Minister for the Environment) moved
THAT the question be put. Question put, but Mr Christian allowed further comment by Mr Bennett.
Mr Bennett (Minister for Finance) moved -

THAT the Bill be agreed to

Question put

Bill agreed to

Mrs Sampson voted against the motion.

10 POSTAL SERVICES (CHARGES) AMENDMENT BILL 1994

Debate resumed on the question - That the Bill be agreed to in principle

Question put

Bill agreed to in principle unanimously

Leave granted to dispense with the detail stage

Mr Bennett (Minister for Finance) moved -

THAT the Bill be agreed to

Question put

Bill agreed to unanimously

11 HEALTHCARE (REFERRAL) AMENDMENT BILL 1994

Debate resumed on the question - That the Bill be agreed to in principle

Question put

Bill agreed to in principle unanimously

Leave granted to dispense with the detail stage

Mrs Lozzi-Cuthbertson (Minister for Health and Education) moved -

THAT the Bill be agreed to

Question put
Bill agreed to unanimously

12 **FIXING OF NEXT SITTING DAY**
Mr Adams moved -

THAT this House at its rising adjourn until
Wednesday 20 July 1994 at 10 am

Question put and agreed to unanimously

13 **ADJOURNMENT**
Mr Christian (Minister for the Environment) moved -

THAT the House do now adjourn

Question put and agreed to unanimously

AND THEN the House at 12.20 pm adjourned until Wednesday 20
July 1994 at 10 a.m.

DOROTHY KITCHING
Deputy Clerk to the Legislative Assembly

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present