

**NORFOLK ISLAND
TENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
WEDNESDAY 17 JULY 2002**

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TENTH LEJESLIETEW 'SEMBLE
WENSDI 17 JULAI 2002**

1 The Legislative Assembly met at 10.05 am. The Speaker (Hon D.E. Buffett) took the Chair and read the Prayer

2 **LEAVE – GEORGE CHARLES SMITH**
Leave of absence was extended to Mr Smith

3 **CONDOLENCES**
Ms Nicholas recorded the passing of –

Norman John Simpson

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

4 **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

5 **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**
The following Papers were presented to the House:

(1) Mr Gardner (Chief Minister and Minister for Intergovernment Relations) tabled the Inbound Passenger Statistics for June 2002 and moved –

THAT the House take note of the Paper

Debate ensued
Question put and agreed to on the voices

(2) Mr Donaldson (Minister for Finance) tabled the Financial indicators for the 12 months ended June 2002 and moved -

THAT the House take note of the Paper

Debate ensued
Question put and agreed to on the voices

6 **STATEMENTS**
Mr I Buffett (Minister for Land and the Environment) provided an update on the Cascade Cliff Safety Project

7 MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

The Speaker reported Message No 6 from the Administrator advising that on 25 June 2002 he declared his assent to the *Appropriation Act 2002*

Acting Deputy Speaker Brown took the Chair at 11.12 am

8 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF MINISTER FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES AND TOURISM

Mr Gardner (Chief Minister), pursuant to notice, moved -

THAT David Ernest Buffett be chosen to be Minister for Community Services and Tourism and that the Administrator be advised accordingly

Debate ensued

Question put

The House voted –

AYES, 5

Mr D Buffett

Mr Gardner

Mr Donaldson

Mr I Buffett

Mr Brown

NOES, 2

Mrs Jack

Ms Nicholas

ABSTENTIONS, 1

Mr Nobbs

Motion agreed to

9 DEVELOPMENT OF TOBACCO CONTROL

Mrs Jack brought to the attention of the House her intention not to participate in debate or vote on Notices 1 and 2 for reasons stated

Mr Nobbs, pursuant to notice, moved –

THAT this House agrees to the development for Norfolk Island of a policy and attendant action plan in relation to tobacco control

Debate ensued

Mr Nobbs moved –

THAT debate be adjourned and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting

Question put

Debate so adjourned

10 CUSTOMS (CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO) AMENDMENT BILL 2002

Mr Donaldson (Minister for Finance), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs Act 1913* and moved –

That the Bill be agreed to in principle

Debate ensued

Mr Donaldson (Minister for Finance), moved –

THAT so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being considered through all stages at this sitting

Question put and agreed to on the voices, Ms Nicholas dissenting and Mrs Jack abstaining

Leave granted to dispense with the detail stage

Mr Donaldson moved –

THAT the Bill be agreed to

Question put

Bill agreed to on the voices, Mrs Jack abstaining

11 INQUIRY INTO EFFECTIVENESS AND MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE NORFOLK ISLAND HOSPITAL ENTERPRISE

Debate resumed (Mr Ivens Buffett, Minister for Land and the Environment) on the question – That the motion be agreed to

Mr Ivens Buffett moved –

THAT debate be adjourned and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting

Question put

The House voted –

AYES, 7

Mr D Buffett

Mr Gardner

Mr Donaldson

Mrs Jack

Mr I Buffett

Ms Nicholas

Mr Brown

NOES, 1

Mr Nobbs

Motion agreed to

Debate so adjourned

12 FIXING OF THE NEXT SITTING DAY

Ms Nicholas moved –

THAT the House at its rising adjourn until Wednesday 28 August 2002 at 10 am

Question put and agreed to on the voices

13 ADJOURNMENT
Mr Nobbs moved –

THAT the House do now adjourn

Debate ensued with Mr Ivens Buffett participating
Question put and agreed to on the voices

AND THEN the House at 12.25 pm adjourned until Wednesday 28 August 2002 at 10 am

Robin-Eleanor Adams
Clerk to the Legislative Assembly

Members Present: All Members were present except Mr Smith, by leave