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FOR THE

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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(Hansard)**

FIFTH ASSEMBLY

Monday, 12 November 2001

Members assembled at 2.00 pm.

Notice convening meeting

The Clerk informed members of the following notice convening the first meeting of the Fifth Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory:

Pursuant to subsection 17 (2) of the Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988 (Commonwealth), I, Gregory Gane Cornwell, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory, do by this Notice convene the first meeting of the Fifth Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory at 2.00 pm on Monday, 12 November 2001, in the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly, Canberra, in the Australian Capital Territory.

Dated 6 November 2001

GREGORY GANE CORNWELL
Speaker, Legislative Assembly
for the Australian Capital Territory

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Swearing-in of members

The Clerk informed members of the requirements under section 9 of the Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988 and section 6A of the Oaths and Affirmations Act 1984 that a member of the Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory shall, before taking his or her seat, make and subscribe an oath or affirmation before the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory.

The Chief Justice Mr Justice Miles attending accordingly—

The Clerk presented the instrument notifying the names of candidates elected to the Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory.

The instrument read as follows:

Mr Mark McRae
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

CANDIDATES DECLARED ELECTED TO THE A.C.T. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

As a result of the poll held on Saturday, 20 October 2001, the following candidates have been declared elected to the ACT Legislative Assembly.

Electorate of Brindabella

Mr Brendan Smyth
Mr John Hargreaves
Mr Bill Wood
Mr Steve Pratt
Ms Karin MacDonald

Electorate of Ginninderra

Mr Jon Stanhope
Mr Bill Stefaniak
Mr Wayne Berry
Ms Roslyn Dundas
Mrs Vicki Dunne

Electorate of Molonglo

Mr Gary Humphries
Ms Kerrie Tucker
Mr Simon Corbell
Mr Ted Quinlan
Ms Katy Gallagher
Mrs Helen Cross
Mr Greg Cornwell

Phillip Green
Electoral Commissioner
5 November 2001

The elected members made and subscribed an oath or affirmation of allegiance.

The Chief Justice having retired—

Election of Speaker

The Clerk informed members of the requirement of standing order 1 (d) that the Assembly now proceed to elect a Speaker.

MR HARGREAVES: I propose Wayne Berry as Speaker of the Assembly and I move:

That Mr Berry take the Chair of the Assembly as Speaker.

The Clerk: Does the member accept the nomination?

MR BERRY: I accept the nomination.

The Clerk: Is there any further proposal?

The time for proposals has expired. There being no further proposal, I declare Mr Wayne Berry, the member proposed, to have been elected as Speaker.

Mr Speaker having taken the chair—

MR SPEAKER: Members, thank you for that vote of confidence.

Election of Chief Minister

MR SPEAKER: Members, the next item of business is the election of the Chief Minister.

MR QUINLAN: Mr Speaker, firstly, congratulations on your appointment. I propose that Jon Stanhope be elected as Chief Minister for the Australian Capital Territory and I move:

That Mr Stanhope be elected Chief Minister for the Territory.

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MR SPEAKER: Are there any other proposals?

MR SMYTH: Mr Speaker, I propose that Gary Humphries be elected as Chief Minister for the Australian Capital Territory and I move:

That Mr Humphries be elected Chief Minister for the Territory.

MR SPEAKER: Are there any other proposals?

The time for proposals has expired. There being more than one candidate proposed for election as Chief Minister, we will proceed to a ballot. It is open to members to make a statement before the ballot if they so wish.

MR STANHOPE: I have no statement to make at this time, thank you, Mr Speaker.

MR HUMPHRIES: Nor do I, Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Thank you, members.

A ballot having been taken—

MR SPEAKER: The result of the ballot is: Mr Stanhope, 10 votes; Mr Humphries, seven votes. Therefore, Mr Stanhope, the candidate with the majority of votes of members present and voting, is declared elected as Chief Minister.

MR STANHOPE (Chief Minister): Mr Speaker, I seek leave to make a short statement.

Leave granted.

MR STANHOPE: Mr Speaker, I thank the Assembly for the honour it has bestowed on me today, and the Canberra community for the trust that it has shown in the Australian Labor Party. I acknowledge the enormous responsibility that the community and members of the Assembly have placed on me and on the Labor Party. I undertake to discharge that responsibility to the best of my ability.

I offer my congratulations to everyone who has been elected or re-elected to the Assembly. In particular, Mr Speaker, I offer my congratulations to you, not only on your re-election as a member for Ginninderra, the fifth time that you have been elected to the Assembly, but also on your election as Speaker. There is no-one, in my opinion, more qualified or capable of undertaking that role than yourself.

Mr Speaker, I have offered my congratulations to all members who have been elected. I am pleased to welcome back members from the Fourth Assembly who have been re-elected, and particularly my colleagues from the Labor caucus. I especially want to give a warm welcome to those members who are new to the Assembly: Katy Gallagher and Karin MacDonald from my party; Roslyn Dundas from the Democrats; and Helen Cross, Vicki Dunne and Steve Pratt from the Liberal Party. I look forward to working with each of them.

Mr Speaker, it would be remiss of me to neglect to mention those of our colleagues from the last Assembly who either chose not to stand again or were unsuccessful. We too often neglect to acknowledge the fact that in politics we put ourselves on the line at the end of our term, and success is not assured. My commiserations to those who missed out. I wish each of them success and a happy future.

Mr Speaker, I wish to place on record my thanks to my colleagues and friends and all members of my staff and other staff in the Labor Party who worked so hard to achieve our victory. Mr Humphries has been gracious enough to concede that Labor fought an effective campaign. An effective campaign does not just happen. It takes commitment, inspiration, hard work, and dedication to the task. I could not have asked for more from the team who developed Labor's election strategy and saw it through.

Mr Speaker, that election strategy had a fundamental basis that could not be argued. Labor's campaign platform was based on a recognition of the issues that concern Canberrans and a commitment to address those concerns. Clearly Canberrans endorsed that platform. Labor understands that and is committed to delivering on the program that we put before the people of Canberra.

Our platform was based on addressing the issues that Canberrans see as the priority issues for government—health, education and planning. Labor always knew that those were the key issues on which the election would be fought. Not only are they issues that are central to the everyday lives of Canberrans, they are central to their thoughts about the future, their hopes for the sort of place they want Canberra to be, and their dreams for their children and their families.

Labor gave a great deal of attention to developing policies in these key areas. Our position on each—and our commitment to each—is clear and progressive and reflects the views of Canberrans. I believe our commitment on each of the issues is well known. For instance, a working, effective and equitable health service is a top priority for people who live in Canberra, and a top priority for a Labor government. We want to put an end to the squabbling between different sectors of the health system that has so characterised its performance in recent years.

We want to address the ongoing problems at Canberra Hospital, including the long-running dispute with nurses. We will inject an additional \$6 million a year into the hospital. We will also address emerging problems in the provision of disability and mental health services, and in respite care. We want to see better services provided for our ageing population. Our health policy addresses those areas, and we have a program to put in place to implement the policy.

Likewise, in education we have a plan to restore our system to the pre-eminence it once held in Australia. Our program is built around a simple, straightforward commitment to invest an additional \$27 million in education programs that will ensure our children will get the education they deserve. Our policy is based firmly on an understanding of what Canberrans look for in our education system. They want the best. They want an education system that provides our children with the opportunity to do well in life. They want an education system that will allow our children—and not just some of our children—to reach their potential. Canberrans want an education system that ensures every child can fulfil his or her potential.

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Mr Speaker, Labor's injection of resources into education will be the largest additional commitment to education since self-government. But resources are not unlimited. While we will meet our commitment, it will be done, as I said during the campaign, on a clear basis of need. That will be established in the review we have promised and which will be undertaken as soon as practicable.

We all know that Canberra is a very special place in which to live. We all value our bush capital, our open spaces, our garden suburbs. Labor went to the election with a program to reform the manner in which town planning is undertaken in Canberra to ensure these qualities are protected and enhanced. We are committed to proceed with the most sweeping and progressive reform to Canberra's system of planning that any government has undertaken.

Mr Speaker, the summary I have just delivered is, of course, just that—a quick summary of Labor's policy program. They are the key planks but they are just part of a suite of policies dealing with a range of aspects, including the need for a dynamic and vibrant economy, that touch the lives of Canberrans—policies which we put to the people of Canberra and which have been endorsed by them. Our overall program is designed to take forward the vision we have of Canberra as a strong, confident, prosperous and inclusive community asserting its place in the country's affairs as the national capital, and in our affairs as our home. Our immediate task is to develop the timetable necessary to put that program in place. Labor is enthusiastic and committed in its determination to implement that platform.

I note the words of Mr Humphries in recent days—expressed repeatedly and confidently—that there is no way that Labor can keep its promises, and I wonder what prompts those comments. Mr Humphries, of course, is the one person who knows better than anyone else in the Assembly the capacity of the government of the day to meet its commitments. Unlike Mother Hubbard, Mr Humphries does know what is left in the cupboard.

Of course, all our commitments were costed and audited, and in the course of the election campaign our opponents could find no hole in those costings. But those costings were based on information the government released about the financial state of the territory. We have the opportunity now to have a look at the books for ourselves. My colleague Mr Quinlan has already asked the Treasury to arrange for an audit that will reveal the true financial position of the territory.

Mr Speaker, in saying that, I am not for one moment suggesting that there is anything untoward in what the previous government suggested. I am just issuing a warning that things might not be precisely as has been claimed. Whatever the books say, Labor will not be deterred from its commitment to deliver what it promised, because we accept the obligation imposed on us by the decision of the Canberra community in electing us to office.

Mr Speaker, Labor went to the election not only on a detailed policy platform that has been endorsed by the people but also on a view about how governments should govern. Labor accepts that the traditions and time-honoured practices of Westminster remain at the core of responsible government. Our electoral system has meant minority

governments have had to deal with a parliament in which they did not control the numbers. Too often this has led to the practices and traditions of Westminster being compromised; to a blurring of the necessary distinction between executive and legislature; to the requirements of cabinet government and the demands of ministerial responsibility, that are a fundamental characteristic of the system, not being met.

Labor does not accept that the reality of Hare-Clark means the Westminster practices and traditions have to be eroded. We will not compromise on our commitment to open an accountable government. We will negotiate with other parties in the Assembly. We will be responsive to the community. We will deliver good government.

Mr Speaker, Labor is strongly committed to self-government and is proud of the work of this Assembly. I am proud to be a member of this Assembly. I do not blush to admit that this is where I work. I believe it is incumbent on each of us to promote the work of our parliament and to help dispel the lingering doubts about self-government and the place of this Assembly in the life of Canberra.

There has already been some community debate about the appropriate size of the Assembly, the number of MLAs and how they might best be distributed in electorates. Labor understands the arguments for and against any increase, but the fundamental fact remains that we are a population of over 300,000 governed by a parliament of 17. The size of the Assembly puts strain on the operations of the Assembly and on government. Labor wants the debate to continue.

There will come a time—perhaps it has arrived—when the size of Canberra warrants an increase in the number of electorates and members, and when this is understood by the community. Only if the debate continues in an open and responsible manner will the community be able to determine that the time has come.

Mr Speaker, I have said before that in my view government is not a business. Government is not about profit making. Ministers are not directors of the board. There is a broad public interest that must be at the heart of everything governments undertake, a public interest that insists on government being fair, honest, open and responsible. These are part of Labor's core values—fairness, openness, honesty and responsibility. And they are the qualities that will characterise the Stanhope Labor government as we move to implement the plan for Canberra that was endorsed by the electorate.

Last, but perhaps most importantly, Mr Speaker, I acknowledge not only my family and the support I have received from them, but the families of all members of the Assembly. Our wives, husbands, partners, children and families are the most unsung and under-recognised participants in politics and the electoral system. They play a role and pay a price that cannot be gainsaid. They are there during the good times to share the successes and moments of achievement, but it is the other times we forget—the disappointments, the defeats and the unnecessary and unattractive side of political life; the public lashings, the gratuitous insults, the malicious cuts and slights, often from an unthinking, complacent and self-indulgent media. On our behalf, our families pay a price and bear a pain that should not be asked of them.

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For myself, I acknowledge the enormous support I received from my wife, Robyn; from my children, Matthew, Christopher, Michael and Anna; and from my parents-in-law, Dorothy and Gordon Poyser, who I am very pleased are here today.

Thank you very much, Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Thank you, Chief Minister.

Leader of the Opposition

MR SPEAKER: Under standing order 5A, the Leader of the Opposition shall be the leader of the largest non-government party, with the consent of that member. As Mr Humphries, as leader of the Liberal Party, is the leader of the largest non-government party, I now seek his consent to being Leader of the Opposition.

MR HUMPHRIES: Mr Speaker, I give my consent to being Leader of the Opposition and ask for leave to make a statement.

Leave granted.

MR HUMPHRIES: Mr Speaker, thank you. First of all, can I warmly congratulate you on your election as Speaker of the Assembly. I look forward to working with you over the next three years.

I also take this opportunity to congratulate Mr Stanhope, the new ACT Chief Minister. He is the fifth ACT Chief Minister, or sixth if one counts Ms Follett twice, which one might be entitled to do. Mr Stanhope has led the ALP to a comprehensive election victory and has a mandate to govern for the next three years. He has a large team, enriched at last by some women members. I would suggest to him that he use that team wisely to govern for the entire ACT community.

Mr Speaker, I lead the party which, despite increasing the number of seats it holds in this place, suffered a significant setback at the recent election. It is clear to me and to all my team that that is so. Although it is difficult to diagnose those things at this stage, I think that is partly the product of spending nearly seven years in office and partly the product of losing touch with elements of the electorate. We are all conscious of the need to work to restore a firm sense of what the ACT electorate expects of us and how we can offer a practical vision of maintaining Canberra as the special place we all know it to be.

My party will need to make the time and the effort to go back into the community and talk to ordinary Canberrans—not just interest groups, important as they are, but to ordinary Canberrans. We will also need to revitalise the role of opposition. We are not in the business, as an opposition, of opposing for the sake of opposing. Where appropriate, shadow ministers will suggest alternatives to the actions being taken by government.

Despite leading the largest opposition since self-government, we will not seek to disrupt the work of government by incessant motions of censure or no confidence. There were no fewer than eight such motions in the life of the last Assembly. Except in the most

unusual circumstances, it is the electorate which should change governments, not the Assembly.

Mr Speaker, we will also work in this Assembly to improve the work of committees. It is our belief that the quality of output of our committees has surrendered to quantity, and we do not believe we should dissipate this valuable resource in this way. We will work to make sure the committees operate effectively in the Fifth Assembly.

Despite the government having a mandate to govern the ACT for the next three years, a Liberal agenda will still be run in this house and in the community. In particular, we will still demand that there be a strong focus on prudent management of the territory's financial position. None of the dreams and aspirations which have been articulated by parties in this place are possible without a sustainable budget. And I restate, as I have said many times before: I believe that there is no need ever again for the ACT budget to run into the red.

Every election sees new faces arrive and others depart. This election has been something of a sea change for ACT self-government. For the first time since the early months of self-government, there are no independent members of the ACT Assembly. We simply do not know at this stage whether this will be a permanent state of affairs or only a temporary arrangement.

I wish to pay tribute to two departed Liberal members of this place. Mr Harold Hird was a link with the early days of self-government—in fact, a link to the days before self-government. He had a large amount of experience in this and its predecessor body, and I, for one, will miss his stentorian contributions to debate in this place.

Mrs Burke was earlier this year the newest member of the Assembly. She has also gone but her enthusiasm reminded us all how important it is to be vigorous in whatever role we play here. I do not believe we have heard the last of her.

Of course, Mr Rugendyke and Mr Osborne have also gone from this place. During their period in this place they proved the adage in politics that it is better to be talked about than not be talked about. Mr Speaker, they were, I think it is worth saying, prolific legislators, prolific presenters of legislation, in this place. They did achieve a great deal and, I have to say, I valued their company while they were here.

However, nobody achieved more in this place as an independent than did Michael Moore, the man who retires today as minister for health for the ACT. His was a powerful presence in this place. He guided and shaped the outcome of many debates in this place, and I think we will all notice his future absence from the Assembly. He also blazed a new trail in terms of the involvement of those on the crossbench with the workings of government, and I also believe that that path will not remain unused in the future.

Mr Kaine has also left the Assembly after 12 years in self-government and previous service in the former advisory assembly. I had a mixed relationship with him and therefore I will be hesitant about saying anything at great length about his contribution. But, of course, as a former Chief Minister of the ACT and a person with links to the early days of this territory's government, I wish him a contented retirement.

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Mr Speaker, I also welcome, as did the Chief Minister, new MLAs to this place, especially my colleagues on this side of the chamber Helen Cross, Vicki Dunne and Steve Pratt. I am grateful, indeed, to the electorate for having conferred on the Liberal Party new blood—indeed, talented new blood—in all three electorates and they will be helpful as we build up our stocks for the next three years.

I have a number of thank-yous, Mr Speaker. I want to thank, first of all, the Liberal Party machine which put in a superb performance at this recent election that was rewarded by the number of seats won by the Liberal Party. There are many who contributed to that process, but I particularly acknowledge the work of the party president, Gary Kent, and the campaign manager, Paul Scott.

My personal staff throughout this period, and indeed the last seven years, have been exceptional and better than anybody could reasonably ask for. I am grateful particularly to Rohan Greenland, who came back for a last hurrah with me, restoring an old partnership that went back many years in this place.

I want to thank, also, the voters in Molonglo for the strong personal vote which they gave to me in this campaign, the highest vote recorded for any candidate in the ACT. I hope to requite that confidence with much dedication.

Mr Speaker, the last 12 months has been enormously hard work. It has been exhilarating, it has been fulfilling and it has been tremendously hard. It has been hardest of all on my family. I want to publicly thank my wife, Cathie, and my sons, Felix and Owain, for all they have put up with in the last little while. I promise, in front of many witnesses today, to spend much more of my newly reclaimed time with them in the next few months.

Mr Speaker, I leave office with a great sense of satisfaction—satisfaction at the enormous amount which has been achieved over the last seven years, both under my chief ministership and under that of Kate Carnell, who is also present in the chamber today. Whatever might be said about this period, without doubt the ACT has changed. It has changed dramatically and it has changed for the better over that period of seven years.

Empirically measured, there is virtually no area of activity in the ACT which is not better today than it was seven years ago. Whether it is hospital waiting lists or literacy levels, the strength of the private sector or the size of the budget surplus, few can honestly say that they are not better off today than they were seven years ago. Mr Speaker, it is an inestimable privilege to have been part of that process of change and improvement in our territory.

MR SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr Humphries.

ACT Greens

Statement by member

MS TUCKER: Mr Speaker, I ask for leave to make a statement.

Leave granted.

MS TUCKER: I wish to inform the Assembly that I shall be taking my seat in the Assembly as a member of the ACT Greens. I would like to make a brief statement.

Mr Speaker, firstly, I acknowledge we are meeting on Ngunnawal land, and I sincerely hope that this Assembly sees a much greater commitment to working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in Canberra. Secondly, I congratulate Labor for their success. I also congratulate you, Mr Berry, on your election as Speaker; and Jon Stanhope, in particular, on his election as Chief Minister. I welcome the new members. I wish the best for those members and candidates who were not successful and congratulate them for having the courage and conviction to participate in the democratic process.

I would also like to thank my family, my parents, my sister and children for their support, and John Tucker especially for your amazing ability to see the ridiculous and to keep me laughing. Thank you also to the talented and committed people who ran as candidates for the Greens and thank you to the Greens supporters. I feel privileged to be working with you all. I also thank those members of the community who voted for the ACT Greens. I take the responsibility very seriously and will continue to work hard on your behalf.

I am pleased to have been able to support Jon Stanhope as Chief Minister and I look forward to working constructively with him, as with all members of this Assembly. Labor's policy has come closer to the Greens in a number of areas over the last three years, particularly in planning and environment, and I hope that we will see this continue.

Having said that, however, I need to put on the record that I will continue to look at each issue on its merit against the principles of the Greens. We are certainly not in an alliance with Labor. I have noticed already this suggestion has become something of a mantra for some members of the Liberal opposition, but I think most people in the community understand that the Greens are in politics to pursue the Greens' policy perspective, not to play some support or mediator role. Our record in the Assembly and in the federal parliament has informed that understanding.

The result of the federal election illustrates the danger to us all of politics driven by pragmatism rather than principle. John Howard has won an election by playing the race card. The Labor Party was not prepared to call the bluff. The Greens have been emphatic in condemning the heartlessness of such an approach. And it was only Bob Brown in federal parliament who was prepared to speak against the ill-considered war on Afghanistan. I am particularly proud to be a member of the Greens today.

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We are in politics because we see a critical need for our voice to be heard. That is why I became involved in politics. Working in environment education brought me into contact on a daily basis with the latest information about the social and environmental condition of the earth. It also meant I became aware of the extremely inadequate performance of the other parties who have developed a rhetoric around sustainability but have so spectacularly failed to deliver in terms of integrating the fundamentals of environment protection and social equity into public policy development. Our numbers are small but our vote is consistent and improving, and our influence has been significant.

I have already announced our third term agenda for structural change in the ACT, which if supported would move us from the current short-term, electorally-driven approach, to one which is informed by an analysis of social and environmental impact as well as by meaningful discussion with the broader community. I know that the time allocated for this sitting is limited, so I will not go into detail about the nature of those initiatives, but I look forward to doing so at a later date.

In conclusion, I would just like to say how pleased I am to see more women elected to this Assembly. That is a very good thing for democracy. Even though we have very different views on some matters, as women we do have a different experience of life from men, and should therefore have a voice in policy development and in the parliaments of this country. I look forward to the Assembly being even more representative in the future with indigenous and migrant members.

MR SPEAKER: Thank you, Ms Tucker.

Australian Democrats

Statement by member

MS DUNDAS: Mr Speaker, I ask for leave to make a short statement.

Leave granted.

MS DUNDAS: I wish to inform the Assembly that I will be taking my seat in this Assembly as a member of the Australian Democrats. I also would like to acknowledge that we meet on Ngunnawal land. I am deeply honoured to be serving here as the first Democrat to sit in the Assembly and also as the youngest woman ever elected to any parliament in Australia.

I have no doubt about the weight of the challenges that lie ahead for all of us here in the Assembly and in the community. I look forward to working with all the members and the community to rise to the challenges that lie before us and to work for the betterment of the Australian Capital Territory.

I add my congratulations to the members who have been elected, and especially the new women members. I also congratulate Mr Stanhope and Mr Berry on their election as Chief Minister and Speaker, respectively. Thank you.

Election of Deputy Speaker

MR SPEAKER: Members, standing order 4 requires that the Assembly proceed, at its first sitting after an election, to elect a Deputy Speaker.

MR HUMPHRIES (Leader of the Opposition): Mr Speaker, I propose Greg Cornwell and I move:

That Mr Cornwell be elected Deputy Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr Humphries. Mr Cornwell, do you accept the nomination?

MR CORNWELL: Mr Speaker, I accept the nomination.

MR SPEAKER: Are there any other proposals?

The time for proposals has expired. There being no further proposals, I declare Mr Cornwell, the member proposed, elected as Deputy Speaker.

Authority to broadcast proceedings

Mr Speaker presented the following paper:

Legislative Assembly (Broadcasting of Proceedings) Act—Authority to broadcast proceedings, pursuant to subsection 8 (4), concerning the proceedings of the Assembly for the first sitting of the Legislative Assembly, today, 12 November 2001—dated 12 November 2001.

Papers

Mr Speaker presented the following paper:

Auditor-General Act—Auditor-General's Report—No 6 of 2001, Annual Management Report for the Year Ended 30 June 2001, dated 12 September 2001.

Mr Stanhope presented the following papers:

subordinate legislation (including explanatory statements, unless otherwise stated) and commencement provisions

Subordinate Laws Act, pursuant to section 6—

Animal Diseases Act—Declaration of stock—Instrument No 295 of 2001 (LR, 14 September 2001).

Architects Act—Appointments of Chairperson and Members to the Architects Board of the ACT—Instrument No 253 of 2001 (No 36, dated 6 September 2001).

Building Act—

Building Regulations Amendment—Subordinate Law 2001 No 40 (LR, 2 October 2001).
Determination of fees—Instrument No 310 of 2001 (LR, 24 September 2001).

Building and Construction Industry Training Levy Act—Building and Construction Industry Training Levy Regulations 2001—Subordinate Law 2001 No 41 (LR, 9 October 2001).

Canberra Institute of Technology Act—Appointments to the Canberra Institute of Technology Advisory Council—

Deputy Chairperson—Instrument No 306 of 2001 (LR, 19 September 2001). Member—Instrument No 307 of 2001 (LR, 19 September 2001).

Commissioner for the Environment Act—Instrument of appointment and terms and conditions of appointment of Commissioner for the Environment—Instrument No 315 of 2001 (LR, 27 September 2001).

Construction Practitioners Registration Act—Making of code of ethics to be observed by registered construction practitioners—Instrument No 289 of 2001 (LR, 13 September 2001).

Crimes Act—Crimes Regulations 2001—Subordinate Law 2001 No 42 (LR, 18 October 2001).

Dangerous Goods Act—Dangerous Goods Regulations Amendment—Subordinate Law 2001 No 43 (LR, 18 October 2001).

Dental Technicians and Dental Prosthetists Registration Act—Determination of fees—Instrument No 240 of 2001 (No 34, dated 23 August 2001).

Domestic Animals Act—Domestic Animals Regulations Amendment—Subordinate Law 2001 No 30 (No 35, dated 30 August 2001).

Environment Protection Act—Determination of fees—Instrument No 294 of 2001 (LR, 14 September 2001).

Fisheries Act—Fisheries Regulations 2001—Subordinate Law 2001 No 29 (No 35, dated 30 August 2001).

Gas Safety Act—Revocation of fees—Instrument No 293 of 2001 (LR, 14 September 2001).

Hotel School Act—Appointment of alternate member of the Hotel School Board of the Australian Capital Territory—Instrument No 239 of 2001 (No 34, dated 23 August 2001).

Independent Pricing and Regulatory Commission Act—Reference for investigation under section 15 and specified requirements in relation to investigation under section 16—Instrument No 291 of 2001 (LR, 13 September 2001).

Justices of the Peace Act—Appointment of Justices of the Peace—Instrument No 242 of 2001 (No 34, dated 23 August 2001).

Land (Planning and Environment) Act—

Approval of plan of management—Lower Molonglo River Corridor—Instrument No 298 of 2001 (LR, 27 September 2001).

Exemption—Instrument No 297 of 2001 (LR, 19 September 2001).

Land (Planning and Environment) Regulations Amendment—Subordinate Law 2001 No 35 (LR, 13 September 2001).

Policy direction—Remissions of change of use charge—Instrument No 311 of 2001 (LR, 24 September 2001).

Legislation Act—Legislation Regulations 2001—Subordinate Law 2001 No 34 (LR, 13 September 2001).

Legislation Act 2001—Notice of commencement (12 September 2001) of provisions of the Act that are not in force (S65, dated 5 September 2001).

Legislative Assembly (Members' Staff) Amendment Act 2001—Notice of commencement (13 September 2001) of provisions that are not in force (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Legislative Assembly (Members' Staff) Act—Reintegration arrangements for officers pursuant to subsection 13A (4)—Instrument No 292 of 2001 (LR, 13 September 2001).

Long Service Leave (Building and Construction Industry) Act—Appointments to the Long Service Leave (Building and Construction Industry) Board—

Chairperson—Instrument No 281 of 2001 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Acting Members—

Instruments Nos 282 and 285 of 2001 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Instrument No 257 of 2001 (No 36, dated 6 September 2001).

Members—

Instruments Nos 283 and 284 of 2001 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Instrument No 256 of 2001 (No 36, dated 6 September 2001).

Mediation Act—

Variation of declaration of approved agencies set out in Instrument No 64 of 2000—Instrument No 286 of 2001 (LR, 27 September 2001).

Variation of declaration of standards of competency set out in Instrument No 65 of 2000—Instrument No 313 of 2001 (LR, 27 September 2001).

National Exhibition Centre Trust Act—Appointment of member of the National Exhibition Centre Trust—Instrument No 317 of 2001 (excluding explanatory statement) (LR, 5 October 2001).

Payroll Tax Act—Approval for exemption from payroll tax under section 9A (2)—Instrument No 258 of 2001 (S67, dated 6 September 2001).

Plumbers, Drainers and Gasfitters Board Act—Appointment of members of the Plumbers, Drainers and Gasfitters Board of the ACT—Instrument No 287 of 2001 (LR, 13 September 2001).

Poisons and Drugs Act—Modification of drugs and poisons standards—Instrument No 254 of 2001 (S64, dated 31 August 2001).

Psychologists Act—Appointments to the Psychologists Board of Chairperson and members—Instrument No 318 of 2001 (LR, 8 October 2001).

Public Place Names Act—

Public Place Names Regulations 2001—Subordinate Law 2001 No 36 (LR, 14 September).

Determinations—

To omit one street name in the Division of City—Instrument No 274 of 2001 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Park nomenclatures in the Divisions of:

Watson—Instrument No 275 of 2001 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Campbell—Instrument No 276 of 2001 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Charnwood—Instrument No 241 of 2001 (No 34, dated 23 August 2001).

Street nomenclatures in the Divisions of:

Gungahlin—Instrument No 290 of 2001 (LR, 13 September 2001).

Gordon—Instrument No 312 of 2001 (LR, 24 September 2001).

Nicholls—Instrument No 316 of 2001 (LR, 28 September 2001).

Public Sector Management Act—Management Standards—

No 4 of 2001 (S63, dated 30 August 2001).

No 5 of 2001—Instrument No 314 of 2001 (LR, 27 September 2001).

Race and Sports Bookmaking Act 2001—Notice of commencement (7 September 2001) (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Race and Sports Bookmaking Act—

Determination of tax rates—Instrument No 259 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Determination of fees—Instrument No 260 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Determination of events to be sports bookmaking events—Instrument No 261 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Determination of rules for sports bookmaking—Instrument No 262 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Directions for the operation of a sports bookmaking venue—Instrument No 263 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Determinations of a place to be a sports bookmaking venue—

Winning Post Bar and Betting Ring—Instrument No 264 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Manuka Oval—Instrument No 265 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Acton Stand—Instrument No 266 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Bruce Stadium—Instrument No 267 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Bicentennial Room—Instrument No 268 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

ACTTAB Limited Agencies—Instrument No 269 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

ACTTAB Limited Sub-Agencies—Instrument No 270 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

ACTTAB Limited On-course Outlets—Instrument No 271 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

ACTTAB Limited Caravan—Instrument No 272 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

ACTTAB Limited Telebet Call Centre—Instrument No 273 of 2001 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Race and Sports Bookmaking Regulations 2001—Subordinate Law 2001 No 31 (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Racing Act—Notices of appointment (9) of the President, Deputy President, members and assessors of the Racing Appeals Tribunal (S68, dated 7 September 2001).

Radiation Act—

Appointment to the Radiation Council—Instrument No 255 of 2001 (No 36, dated 6 September 2001).

Determination of fees—Instrument No 277 of 2001 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Rehabilitation of Offenders (Interim) Act—

Appointment of Deputy Chairperson of the Sentence Administration Board—Instrument No 305 of 2001 (LR, 14 September 2001).

Rehabilitation of Offenders (Interim) Regulations 2001—Subordinate Law 2001 No 39 (LR, 24 September 2001).

Residential Tenancies Act—Appointment of members of the Residential Tenancies Tribunal—

Acting President—Instrument No 302 of 2001 (LR, 14 September 2001).

Members—Instruments Nos 303 and 304 of 2001 (LR, 14 September 2001).

President—Instrument No 301 of 2001 (LR, 14 September 2001).

Road Transport (Driving Licensing) Act—Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Regulations Amendment—Subordinate Law 2001 No 44 (LR, 18 October 2001).

Road Transport (General) Act—

Determination of fees for taxi network authority—Instrument No 288 of 2001 (LR, 13 September 2001).

Notice of guidelines about withdrawal of infringement notices—Instrument No 243 of 2001 (No 34, dated 23 August 2001).

Road Transport Amendment Regulations 2001—Subordinate Law 2001 No 46 (LR, 18 October 2001).

Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act—Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulations 2001—Subordinate Law 2001 No 45 (LR, 18 October 2001).

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Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Act—Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Regulations Amendment 2001—Subordinate Law 2001 No 32 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Roads and Public Places Act—Code of practice for the placement of movable signs in public places—Instrument No 300 of 2001 (LR, 24 September 2001).

Supreme Court Amendment Act 2001 (No 2)—Notice of commencement of:

sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 14 (7 September 2001);
the provisions inserted into the Supreme Court Act by section 13 (7 September 2001 and 1 October 2001). (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Surveyors Act—ACT Survey Practice Directions—Instrument No 280 of 2001 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Tobacco Act—Tobacco Regulations Amendment—Subordinate Law 2001 No 37 (LR, 19 September 2001).

Transplantation and Anatomy Act—Transplantation and Anatomy Regulations 2001—Subordinate Law 2001 No 38 (LR, 19 September 2001).

Unit Titles Act—

Determination of fees—Instrument No 279 of 2001 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Revocation of fees—Instrument No 278 of 2001 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Utilities Act—Ministerial direction—Instrument No 296 of 2001 (LR, 18 September 2001).

Utility Networks (Public Safety) Regulations 2001—Notice of commencement (11 September 2001) (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Vocational Education and Training Act—Appointment of members of the Accreditation and Registration Council—Instruments Nos 308 and 309 of 2001 (LR, 19 September 2001).

Workers Compensation Act—Workers Compensation Regulations Amendment—Subordinate Law 2001 No 33 (S69, dated 11 September 2001).

Performance report

Financial Management Act, pursuant to section 25A—Quarterly departmental performance report for the September 2001 quarter for:

Chief Minister's Department.
Department of Treasury.
Business, Tourism and the Arts.
Department of Health, Housing and Community Care.
Department of Education and Community Services.

Date and hour of next meeting

Motion (by **Mr Stanhope**) agreed to:

That the Assembly, at its rising, adjourn until 10.30 am on Tuesday, 11 December 2001.

Adjournment

Motion (by **Mr Stanhope**) agreed to:

That the Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2.57 pm until Tuesday, 11 December 2001, at 10.30 am.