

# THE NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY

## LIST OF MOTIONS TABLED

**2000/2001**

*The Minutes of Proceedings (MoPs) for each Assembly sitting are normally accompanied by a 'No Day Named' list of motions that have been tabled by the date of the sitting, but which have not yet been selected for debate by the Business Committee.*

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*If a motion was selected for debate, the Order Paper number and date of sitting are shown. Where a motion was not selected, it stood on the No Day Named list of motions until the end of the session, unless the motion was withdrawn by the Member concerned.*

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BUSINESS

#### Accelerated Passage

That in accordance with Standing Order 40(2) this Assembly grants accelerated passage to the Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Bill.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[OP 04/00 – 2&3 October 2000]

#### Message of Condolence

We, the Members of the Northern Ireland Assembly, extend our deepest sympathy on their grievous loss to the family of the Rt Hon Donald Dewar MP MSP and to the Presiding Officer of the Scottish Parliament on the death of the First Minister of Scotland, and wish to record our recognition of his devoted service to his country.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[OP 06/00 – 16, 17 & 18 October 2000]

### Suspend Standing Orders

That this Assembly suspends Standing Order 10(2) and Standing Order 10(6) for Monday 13 November 2000.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 7 November 2000]  
[OP 10/00 – 13 November 2000]

### Programme for Government

That this Assembly notes the Executive Committee's proposed Programme for Government; notes that it will guide the public spending plans for 2001/02 in the Budget; notes that the Programme for Government will be presented for the approval of the Assembly in the New Year embracing Public Service Agreements for all Departments.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 7 November 2000]  
[OP 10/00 – 13 November 2000]

### Social Security and Child Support Regulations

That this Assembly approves the Social Security and Child Support (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 17 November 2000]  
[OP 14/00 – 27 November 2000]

### Social Security (Students Amendment) Regulations

That this Assembly approves the Social Security (Students Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 17 November 2000]  
[OP 14/00 – 27 November 2000]

### Part-time Workers Regulations

That the Part-time Workers (Prevention of Less Favourable Treatment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 be approved.

[Minister of Higher and Further Education,  
Training and Employment]  
[Tabled 30 November 2000]  
[OP 18/00 – 11 December 2000]

### Drink-Drive Offenders

That this Assembly approves the Courses for Drink-Drive Offenders (Experimental Period) (Extension) Order (Northern Ireland) 2000.

[Minister of the Environment]  
[Tabled 5 December 2000]  
[OP 18/00 – 11 December 2000]

### Suspend Standing Orders

That this Assembly suspends Standing Order 10(2) and Standing Order 10(6) for Monday 18 December 2000.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[OP 20/00 – 18 December 2000]

### Budget

That this Assembly approves the programme of expenditure proposals for 2001/02 as set out in the Budget laid before the Assembly on 12 December 2000.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[OP 20/00 – 18 December 2000]

### Referral of Electronic Communications Bill to Committee of the Centre

In pursuance of Standing Order 31(1), this Assembly orders that the Electronic Communications Bill shall stand referred to the Committee of the Centre and, for that purpose, paragraphs (2) to (5) of that Standing Order and Standing Order 33 shall apply in relation to the Committee of the Centre as they apply in relation to a Statutory Committee.

[First Minister][Deputy First Minister]  
[OP 22/00 – 15 January 2001]

### New Valuation List Order

That this Assembly approves The New Valuation List Order (Northern Ireland) 2000.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[OP 24/00 – 22 January 2001]

## Civic Forum

That this Assembly agrees that the Civic Forum shall offer its views on such social, economic and cultural matters as are from time to time agreed between the Chairperson of the Forum and the First Minister and Deputy First Minister.

In addition, the Civic Forum shall be invited to offer its view on specific social, economic and cultural matters where the Assembly has by motion so requested.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 30 January 2001]  
[OP 29/00 – 6 February 2001]

## Supply Resolution for 2000/1 Spring Supplementary Estimates

That the Assembly approves that a further sum not exceeding £195,599,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2001 for expenditure by Northern Ireland Departments, the Northern Ireland Assembly, the Northern Ireland Audit Office, the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints and the Office for the Regulation of Electricity and Gas.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 12 February 2001]  
[OP 32/00 – 19 February 2001]

## Supply Resolution for 2001/2 Vote on Account

That the Assembly approves that a sum not exceeding £3,806,414,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for Northern Ireland Departments, the Northern Ireland Assembly, the Northern Ireland Audit Office, the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints and the Office for the Regulation of Electricity and Gas for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2002 and that resources, not exceeding £4,305,870,000 be authorised, on account, for use by Northern Ireland Departments, the Northern Ireland Assembly, the Northern Ireland Audit Office, the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints and the Office for the Regulation of Electricity and Gas for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2002.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 12 February 2001]  
[OP 32/00 – 19 February 2001]

Programme for Government (First Day)

That this Assembly endorses the Programme for Government agreed by the Executive.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 26 February 2001]  
[OP 36/00 – 5 March 2001]

Programme for Government (Second Day)

That this Assembly endorses the Programme for Government agreed by the Executive.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[OP 37/00 – 6 March 2001]

Regional Rates Order

That the Rates (Regional Rates) (No.2) Order (NI) 2001 be approved.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[OP 39/00 – 20 March 2001]

Pig Industry Restructuring (Capital Grant) Scheme

That the Pig Industry Restructuring (Capital Grant) Scheme (Northern Ireland) 2001, Statutory Rule 2001 No.90, be approved.

[Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development]  
[OP 42/00 – 2 April 2001]

Companies (1986 Order) (Audit Exemption) (Amendment) Regulations  
(Northern Ireland) 2001

That the draft Companies (1986 Order) (Audit Exemption) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 be approved.

[Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment]  
[OP 42/00 – 2 April 2001]

### Measures for Victims in the European Peace II Programme

That this Assembly welcomes the inclusion of a specific measure for victims in the European Peace II Programme.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[OP 43/00 – 3 April 2001]

### Private Street (Construction) (Amendment) Regulations (NI) 2001

That the Private Street (Construction) (Amendment) Regulations (NI) 2001 be approved.

[Minister for Regional Development]  
[OP 46/00 – 24 April 2001]

### Local Management of Schools (LMS) Common Funding Formula

That this Assembly notes the publication of the Consultative Document and the intention to introduce a common formula for funding schools.

[Minister of Education]  
[OP 46/00 – 24 April 2001]

### Code of Practice on Access to Workers During Recognition and Derecognition Ballots

That the Code of Practice on Access to Workers During Recognition and Derecognition Ballots, laid before the Assembly on 13 April 2001, be approved.

[Minister of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment]  
[OP 50/00 – 14 May 2001]

### Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Social Security (New Deal Pilot) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 (SR 369/2000) be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 3 April 2001]  
[OP 50/00 – 14 May 2001]

### Public Health/Health Inequalities

That this Assembly welcomes the commitment in the Programme for Government for all Departments and their statutory agencies to work resolutely and energetically together to tackle the root causes of preventable disease and disability, and to reduce inequalities in the health status of different groups in our population.

[Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety]  
[OP 50/00 – 14 May 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Social Security (Incapacity Benefit) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 8 May 2001]  
[OP 51/00 – 21 May 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 2001 be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 8 May 2001]  
[OP 51/00 – 21 May 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Jobseeker's Allowance (Joint Claims: Consequential Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 4 May 2001]  
[OP 51/00 – 21 May 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Social Security (Work-focused Interviews for Lone Parents) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 10 May 2001]  
[OP 51/00 – 21 May 2001]

Soccer Strategy

That this Assembly notes the publication of the report "Creating a Soccer Strategy for Northern Ireland – views of the stakeholders" and notes the progress made on the development of the Strategy.

[Minister of Culture, Arts and Leisure]  
[Tabled 11 May 2001]  
[OP 51/00 – 21 May 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Child Support (Collection and Enforcement and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 8 May 2001]  
[OP 52/00 – 29 May 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Child Support (Information, Evidence and Disclosure and Maintenance Arrangements and Jurisdiction) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 8 May 2001]  
[OP 52/00 – 29 May 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Child Support (Maintenance Calculation Procedure) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 8 May 2001]  
[OP 52/00 – 29 May 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Child Support (Maintenance Calculations and Special Cases) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 8 May 2001]  
[OP 52/00 – 29 May 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Child Support (Variations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 8 May 2001]  
[OP 52/00 – 29 May 2001]



### Accelerated Passage

That in accordance with Standing Order 40(2), the Assembly grants accelerated passage to the Social Security Fraud Bill.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[OP 53/00 - 18 June 2001]

### Supply Resolution for 2001-02 Main Estimates

That this Assembly approves that a sum not exceeding £4,679,167,000, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund for or towards defraying the charges for Northern Ireland Departments, the Northern Ireland Assembly, the Northern Ireland Audit Office, the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints, and the Office for the Regulation of Electricity and Gas for the year ending 31 March 2002 and that resources, not exceeding £5,021,262,000, be authorised for use by Northern Ireland Departments, the Northern Ireland Assembly, the Northern Ireland Audit Office, the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints, and the Office for the Regulation of Electricity and Gas for the year ending 31 March 2002 as summarised for each department or other public body in columns 3(a) and 3(b) of Table 1.3 in the volume of the Northern Ireland Estimates 2001-02 that was laid before the Assembly on 11 June 2001.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[OP 53/00 – 18 June 2001]

### Supply Resolution for 2001-02 Main Estimates (Second Day)

That this Assembly approves that a sum not exceeding £4,679,167,000, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund for or towards defraying the charges for Northern Ireland Departments, the Northern Ireland Assembly, the Northern Ireland Audit Office, the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints, and the Office for the Regulation of Electricity and Gas for the year ending 31 March 2002 and that resources, not exceeding £5,021,262,000, be authorised for use by Northern Ireland Departments, the Northern Ireland Assembly, the Northern Ireland Audit Office, the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints, and the Office for the Regulation of Electricity and Gas for the year ending 31 March 2002 as summarised for each department or other public body in columns 3(a) and 3(b) of Table 1.3 in the volume of the Northern Ireland Estimates 2001-02 that was laid before the Assembly on 11 June 2001.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[OP 54/00 – 19 June 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Affirmative Resolution

That the Lands Tribunal (Salaries) Order (Northern Ireland) 2001 be approved.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 14 June 2001]  
[OP 55/00 – 25 June 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Affirmative Resolution

That the Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) (SR 229/2001) 2001 be approved.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[OP 55/00 – 25 June 2001]

Suspend Standing Orders

That Standing Order 10(6) be suspended for Monday 2 July 2001.

[Minister for Regional Development]  
[Tabled 29 June 2001]  
[OP 57/00 – 2 July 2001]

Regional Development Strategy

That this Assembly takes note of progress on the formulation of the Regional Development Strategy.

[Minister for Regional Development]  
[OP 57/00 – 2 July 2001]

## COMMITTEE BUSINESS

### Ad Hoc Committee

That this Assembly appoints an Ad Hoc Committee to consider the draft Regulations laid by the Secretary of State under the Flags (Northern Ireland) Order 2000 and to submit a report to the Assembly by 16 October 2000.

Composition:	UUP	2
	SDLP	2
	DUP	2
	SF	2
	Other Parties	3

Quorum: The quorum shall be five.

Procedure: The procedures of the Committee shall be such as the Committee shall determine.

[Dr A McDonnell]  
[OP 01/00 – 11&12 September 2000]

### Membership of Statutory Committees

That Mr Roy Beggs shall replace the Rt Hon John D Taylor on the Committee of the Centre;

Mrs Joan Carson shall replace Reverend Robert Coulter on the Higher and Further Education Committee; and

Reverend Robert Coulter shall replace Mrs Joan Carson on the Health, Social Services and Public Safety Committee.

[Mr J Wilson]  
[OP 01/00 – 11&12 September 2000]

### Extension of Committee Stage for Weights and Measures Bill

That this Assembly proposes that the period referred to in Standing Order 31(4) be extended by 14 calendar days to 16 October 2000, in relation to the Committee Stage of the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill (NIA Bill 8/99).

[Chairperson of Committee of Enterprise, Trade and Investment]  
[Tabled 4 September 2000]  
[OP 01/00 – 11&12 September 2000]

### Business Committee

That Mr Nigel Dodds be appointed to the Business Committee.

[Mr W Hay]  
[Tabled 5 September 2000]  
[OP 01/00 11&12 September 2000]

### Assembly Commission

That Mr Jim Wells be appointed to the Assembly Commission.

[Mr W Hay]  
[Tabled 5 September 2000]  
[OP 01/00 – 11&12 September 2000]

### Committee on Standards and Privileges

That Mr Paul Berry shall replace Mr Edwin Poots on the Committee on Standards and Privileges.

[Mr N Dodds]  
[Tabled 7 September 2000]  
[OP 01/00 – 11&12 September 2000]

### Change to Membership

That Mr Conor Murphy shall replace Mr Mitchel McLaughlin on the Committee of the Centre.

[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 11 September 2000]  
[OP 02/00 – 18&19 September 2000]

### Change to Membership

That Mr Pat McNamee shall replace Mr Conor Murphy on the Committee for Regional Development.

[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 11 September 2000]  
[OP 02/00 – 18&19 September 2000]

### Business Committee

That Mr Nigel Dodds be appointed to the Business Committee.

[Mr O Gibson]  
[Mr G Kane]  
[OP 02/00 – 18&19 September 2000]

### Assembly Commission

That Mr Jim Wells be appointed to the Assembly Commission.

[Mr N Dodds]  
[OP 02/00 – 18&19 September 2000]

## New Deal Programme

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment, to review the New Deal Programme to tailor it to the needs of the long term unemployed in Northern Ireland.

[Chairperson, Higher and Further Education,  
Training and Employment Committee]  
[Tabled 13 September 2000]  
[OP 03/00 – 25&26 September 2000]

## Retailing in Northern Ireland

That this Assembly accepts and endorses the findings and recommendations contained in the Agriculture Committee's Report: 'Retailing in Northern Ireland – A Fair Deal for the Farmer?' and urges the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development and everyone associated with the industry to take all necessary steps to implement the recommendations.

[Chairperson, Agriculture and Rural Development Committee]  
[Tabled 15 September 2000]  
[OP 03/00 – 25&26 September 2000]

## Extension of Committee Stage – Ground Rents Bill (NIA Bill 6/99)

That this Assembly proposes that the period referred to in Standing Order 31(4) be extended by 54 calendar days to Monday, 27 November 2000 in relation to the Committee Stage of the Ground Rents Bill (NIA 6/99).

[Chairperson, Committee for Finance and Personnel]  
[OP 04/00 – 2&3 October 2000]

## Committee Membership

That Mr Jim Wells be appointed to the Enterprise, Trade and Investment Committee.

[Mr N Dodds]  
[OP 04/00 – 2&3 October 2000]

## Change of Membership

That Mr Nigel Dodds and Mr Peter Robinson MP shall replace Mr Gardiner Kane and Mr Oliver Gibson on the Committee for Finance and Personnel.

[Mr J Wells]  
[OP 04/00 – 2&3 October 2000]

### Change to Membership

That Mr Ian Paisley Jnr shall replace Mrs Iris Robinson on the Business Committee.

[Mr N Dodds]  
[OP 04/00 – 2&3 October 2000]

### Extension of Committee Stage – Fisheries (Amendment) Bill (NIA Bill 9/99)

That in accordance with Standing Order 31(4) the period referred to in Standing Order 31(2) be extended to Thursday, 14 December 2000 in relation to the Committee Stage of the Fisheries (Amendment) Bill (NIA 9/99).

[Chairperson of Culture, Arts and Leisure Committee]  
[OP 06/00 – 16,17&18 October 2000]

### Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Flags

That the Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Flags set up to consider the draft Regulations laid by the Secretary of State under the Flags (Northern Ireland) Order 2000 should be submitted to the Secretary of State as a Report of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

[Chairperson of the Ad Hoc Committee on Flags]  
[OP 06/00 – 16,17&18 October 2000]

### Committee on Procedures

That Mr Nigel Dodds be appointed to the Committee on Procedures and that Mr Ian Paisley Jnr shall replace Mr Sammy Wilson as a Member of the Committee on Procedures.

[Mr N Dodds]  
[Tabled 19 October 2000]  
[OP 07/00 – 23&24 October 2000]

### Extension of Committee Stage

That in accordance with Standing Order 31(4) the period referred to in Standing Order 31(2) be extended to 31 January 2001 in relation to the Committee Stage of the Street Trading Bill (NIA 2/00).

[Chairperson, Committee for Social Development]  
[OP 11/00 – 14 November 2000]

## Draft Budget Proposal

That the Assembly takes note of the draft Budget Proposal announced on 17 October 2000 by the Minister of Finance and Personnel.

[Chairperson, Committee for Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 24 October 2000]  
[OP 11/00 – 14 November 2000]

### Extension of Committee Stage – Health and Personal Social Services Bill (NIA Bill 3/00)

That in accordance with Standing Order 31(4) the period referred to in Standing Order 31(2) be extended to Friday 23 February 2001 in relation to the Committee Stage of the Health and Personal Social Services Bill (NIA 3/00).

[Chairperson, Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety]  
[Tabled 13 November 2000]  
[OP 12/00 – 20 November 2000]

### Extension of Committee Stage – Defective Premises (Landlord's Liability) Bill (NIA Bill 5/00)

That in accordance with Standing Order 31(4) the period referred to in Standing Order 31(2) be extended to Friday 27 April 2001 in relation to the Committee Stage of the Defective Premises (Landlord's Liability Bill) (NIA Bill 5/00).

[Chairperson, Committee for Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 13 November 2000]  
[OP 12/00 – 20 November 2000]

### Extension of Committee Stage – Government Resources and Accounts Bill (NIA Bill 6/00)

That in accordance with Standing Order 31(4) the period referred to in Standing Order 31(2) be extended to Friday 2 March 2001 in relation to the Committee Stage of the Government Resources and Accounts Bill (NIA Bill 6/00).

[Chairperson, Committee for Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 13 November 2000]  
[OP 12/00 – 20 November 2000]

## Student Finance

That this Assembly approves the First Report of the Committee for Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment on Student Finance, and calls on the Minister of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment to implement the Committee's recommendations at the earliest feasible opportunity.

[Chairperson, Committee for Higher and Further Education,  
Training and Employment]  
[Tabled 27 October 2000]  
[OP 13/00 – 21 November 2000]

## Extension of Committee Stage – Family Law Bill (NIA Bill 4/00)

That in accordance with Standing Order 31(4) the period referred to in Standing Order 31(2) be extended to Friday, 27 April 2001 in relation to the Committee Stage of the Family Law Bill (NIA Bill 4/00).

[Chairperson, Committee for Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 22 November 2000]  
[OP 16/00 – 4 December 2000]

## Ad Hoc Committee

That this Assembly appoints an Ad Hoc Committee to consider the draft Financial Investigations (Northern Ireland) Order laid by the Secretary of State in accordance with Section 85(4)(b) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and to submit a report to the Assembly by 5 February 2001.

Composition:           UUP   2  
                              SDLP  2  
                              DUP   2  
                              SF     2  
                              Other Parties  3

Quorum:                The quorum shall be five.

Procedure:            The procedures of the Committee shall be such as the Committee shall determine.

[Mr B Hutchinson]  
[OP 18/00 – 11 December 2000]



### Report – Residential and Secure Accommodation

That this Assembly approves the first Report of the Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety on residential and secure accommodation for children in Northern Ireland and calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to implement the Committee's recommendations at the earliest opportunity.

[Chairperson, Committee for Health, Social Services  
and Public Safety]

[Tabled 5 December 2000]

[OP 19/00 – 12 December 2000]

### Salary – Comptroller and Auditor General

That the annual salary of the Comptroller and Auditor General shall be increased to £100,028 with effect from 20 December 2000.

[Chairperson, Audit Committee]

[OP 21/00 – 19 December 2000]

### Determination of Allowances to Assembly Members

That the Northern Ireland Assembly (Members' Allowances) Determination 2000 (NIA 26/00) be approved.

[Reverend R Coulter]

[OP 21/00 – 19 December 2000]

### Determination of Salaries to Assembly Members

That the Northern Ireland Assembly (Members' Salaries) Determination 2000 (NIA 27/00) be approved.

[Reverend R Coulter]

[OP 21/00 – 19 December 2000]

### Committee Membership

That Mrs Annie Courtney shall replace Mr John Fee on the Committee for Education.

[Mr E McGrady MP]

[OP 22/00 – 15 January 2001]

### Committee Membership

That Mrs Annie Courtney shall replace Mr P J Bradley on the Committee of the Centre.

[Mr E McGrady MP]

[OP 22/00 – 15 January 2001]

### Committee Membership

That Mr John Fee shall replace Mrs Patricia Lewsley on the Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment.

[Mr E McGrady MP]  
[OP 22/00 – 15 January 2001]

### Committee Membership

That Mrs Patricia Lewsley shall replace Mr Donovan McClelland on the Committee for Finance and Personnel.

[Mr E McGrady MP]  
[OP 22/00 – 15 January 2001]

### Committee Membership

That Mr George Savage shall replace the Rt Hon John Taylor MP on the Committee for Regional Development.

[Mr J Wilson]  
[Tabled 4 January 2001]  
[OP 22/00 – 15 January 2001]

### Extension of Committee Stage – Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Bill (NIA Bill 8/00)

That in accordance with Standing Order 31(4) the period referred to in Standing Order 31(2) be extended to 6 April 2001 in relation to the Committee Stage of the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Bill (NIA Bill 8/00).

[Chairperson, Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety]  
[Tabled 12 December 2000]  
[OP 22/00 – 15 January 2001]

### Ad Hoc Committee – Life Sentences (Northern Ireland) Order 2001

That this Assembly appoints an Ad Hoc Committee to consider the draft Life Sentences (Northern Ireland) Order 2001 laid by the Secretary of State in accordance with Section 85(4)(b) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and to submit a report to the Assembly by 12 March 2001.

Composition:	UUP	2
	SDLP	2
	DUP	2
	SF	2
	Other Parties	3

Quorum: The quorum shall be five.

Procedure: The procedures of the Committee shall be such as the Committee shall determine.

[Mr N Dodds]  
[OP 24/00 – 22 January 2001]

#### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 40(4) delete “may by leave of the Assembly” and insert “shall”, and;

after Standing Order 40(4) add: “(5) A Bill shall not be carried forth if the Assembly stands dissolved”.

[Chairperson of Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

#### Amend Standing Orders

After Standing Order 31(1) add:

“(1A) Where the First Minister and Deputy First Minister acting jointly are in charge of a Bill, the Bill shall stand referred to the Committee of the Centre unless the Assembly shall order otherwise; and the provisions of this Standing Order and Standing Orders 33 and 48 shall apply in relation to the Committee of the Centre acting by virtue of this paragraph as they apply in relation to a Statutory Committee”.

[Chairperson of Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

#### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 31(1) at the beginning of paragraph (1) insert:

“Subject to paragraph (1A),”.

[Chairperson of Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

#### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 41(1) line 6 delete “Statutory”.

[Chairperson of Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

Amend Standing Orders

After Standing Order 41(1) add:

“(1A) In this Standing Order “Committee” means:

- (a) a Statutory Committee; and
- (b) in the case of a Statutory Rule or draft Statutory Rule which has been made or is to be made by the First Minister and Deputy First Minister acting jointly, or by the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister, the Committee of the Centre”.

[Chairperson of Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 41(2) delete “Statutory”.

[Chairperson of Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 41(5)(a) delete “Statutory”.

[Chairperson of Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

Amend Standing Orders

After Standing Order 59(1) add:

“(1A) This Committee shall also have the functions conferred by virtue of Standing Orders 31(1A) and 41(1A)”.

[Chairperson of Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 12(1) after “Statutory Committee Reports” insert:

“Reports of the Committee of the Centre made by virtue of Standing Order 31(1A) or 41(1A)”.

[Chairperson of Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

### Committee Membership – Enterprise, Trade and Investment

That Mrs Annie Courtney shall replace Mrs Patricia Lewsley on the Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment.

[Mr E McGrady MP]  
[Mr J Tierney]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

### Committee Membership - Environment

That Mr Tom Hamilton should serve on the Committee for the Environment.

[Mr J Wilson]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

### Committee Membership - Education

That Mr Tom Hamilton should serve on the Committee for Education.

[Mr J Wilson]  
[OP 26/00 – 29 January 2001]

### The Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 (S.R. 389/2000)

That this Assembly annuls the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 (S.R. 389/2000)

[Chairperson, Committee for Finance and Personnel]  
[OP 28/00 – 5 February 2001]

### Report of the Ad Hoc Committee – Financial Investigations (NI) Order 2001

That the Report of the Ad Hoc Committee set up to consider the draft Financial Investigations (Northern Ireland) Order 2001 referred by the Secretary of State should be submitted to the Secretary of State as a Report of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

[Chairperson, Ad Hoc Committee Financial Investigations (NI) Order 2001]  
[OP 29/00 – 6 February 2001]

### Amend Standing Orders

After Standing Order 40(1) add

‘(1A) Where on or before the Second Stage of a Budget Bill the Chairperson of the Committee for Finance and Personnel (or another member of that Committee acting on his/her behalf) confirms to the Assembly that that Committee is satisfied that there has been appropriate consultation with it on the public expenditure proposals contained in the Bill, the Bill shall proceed under the accelerated passage procedure which shall exclude any Committee Stage.’

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 30/00 – 12 February 2001]

### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 40(1) delete 'that may require an accelerated passage' and insert:

'proceeding under the accelerated passage procedure in accordance with paragraph (1A) or (2).'

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 30/00 – 12 February 2001]

### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 40(2) line 1 after 'Bill' insert:

'(other than a Budget Bill).'

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 30/00 – 12 February 2001]

### Committee Membership – Committee on Procedures

That Mr Ivan Davis should serve on the Committee on Procedures.

[Mr J Wilson]  
[Tabled 12 February 2001]  
[OP 32/00 – 19 February 2001]

### Committee Membership – Environment

That Mr David McClarty should replace Mr Tom Hamilton on the Committee for the Environment.

[Mr J Wilson]  
[Tabled 21 February 2001]  
[OP 34/00 – 26 February 2001]

### Committee Membership – Social Development

That Mr Tom Hamilton should replace Mr David McClarty on the Committee for Social Development.

[Mr J Wilson]  
[Tabled 21 February 2001]  
[OP 34/00 – 26 February 2001]

Report of the Ad Hoc Committee – Life Sentences (NI) Order 2001

That the Report of the Ad Hoc Committee set up to consider the draft Life Sentences (Northern Ireland) Order 2001 referred by the Secretary of State should be submitted to the Secretary of State as a Report of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

[Chairperson, Ad Hoc Committee – Life Sentences (NI) Order 2001]  
[Tabled 28 February 2001]  
[OP 38/00 – 12 March 2001]

Report of the Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure –  
Inland Fisheries in Northern Ireland

That this Assembly approves the Report of the Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure on Inland Fisheries in Northern Ireland and calls on the Minister of Culture, Arts and Leisure to implement the Committee's recommendations at the earliest opportunity.

[Chairperson, Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure]  
[OP 39/00 – 20 March 2001]

Ad Hoc Committee

That this Assembly appoints an Ad Hoc Committee to consider the draft clauses for a Proceeds of Crime Bill referred by the Secretary of State and to submit a report to the Assembly by 28 May 2001.

Composition:	UUP	2
	SDLP	2
	DUP	2
	SF	2
	Other Parties	3

Quorum: The quorum shall be five.

Procedure: The procedures of the Committee shall be such as the Committee shall determine.

[Mr E McGrady MP]  
[Dr A McDonnell]  
[OP 40/00 – 26 March 2001]

## Reports by Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development

That this Assembly accepts and endorses the findings and recommendations contained in the two Reports published by the Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development: ‘Restoring Profit for the Beef Producer’ (2/00/R) and ‘Restoring Profit for the Pig Producer’ (3/00/R) and urges the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development (and others involved in the beef and pig sectors) to take all necessary steps to implement the recommendations.

[Chairperson, Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development]  
[OP 41/00 – 27 March 2001]

## Port of Belfast

That this Assembly takes note of the response of the Committee for Regional Development to the Minister for Regional Development on the economic appraisal setting out the options for the future of the Port of Belfast.

[Chairperson, Committee for Regional Development]  
[OP 41/00 – 27 March 2001]

## First Report of the Committee on Standards and Privileges

That this Assembly approves the findings and conclusions contained in the First Report of the Committee on Standards and Privileges: ‘Inquiry into the Possible Appointment of an Assembly Commissioner for Standards’ (01/00/R) and calls for all appropriate arrangements to be put in place by the Assembly Commission, the Speaker’s Office and other relevant Assembly Committees to ensure implementation of the recommendations.

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]  
[OP 42/00 – 2 April 2001]

## Suspension of Standing Orders

That Standing Order 10(2) line 3 be suspended until the Summer Recess.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 45/00 – 23 April 2001]

## Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 15(1) line 2 and line 3 delete “at least one hour prior to the commencement of business” and insert “not later than 9.30 am”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 45/00 – 23 April 2001]



### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 20(1) line 7 after “concerned,” insert “normally”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 45/00 – 23 April 2001]

### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 10(2)(c) line 2 after “shall” insert “normally”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 45/00 – 23 April 2001]

### Relief for Businesses affected by Foot-and-Mouth Disease

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Finance and Personnel, the Executive and the Chancellor of the Exchequer to respond to the current crisis resulting from the outbreak of Foot-and-Mouth Disease by introducing a hardship relief package to reflect the fall in incomes being experienced, not only by farm related businesses but also by businesses in the tourist industry.

[Chairperson, Committee for Finance and Personnel]  
[Chairperson, Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment]  
[OP 48/00 – 1 May 2001]

### Foot-and-Mouth Disease

That this Assembly acknowledges the sacrifices made by, and hardship caused to, farmers, their families and the wider rural community in responding to the Executive’s policies and guidance regarding Foot-and-Mouth Disease, and calls on the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development and her Executive colleagues to act to alleviate these difficulties as quickly and imaginatively as possible.

[Chairperson, Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development]  
[OP 48/00 – 1 May 2001]

### Second Report of the Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment

That this Assembly approves the Second Report of the Enterprise, Trade and Investment Committee on its inquiry into the Strategy 2010 Report (2/00R) and calls on the Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment to implement the recommendations of the Committee at the earliest opportunity.

[Chairperson, Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment]  
[OP 48/00 – 1 May 2001]

## Report of the Ad Hoc Committee – Proceeds of Crime Bill

That the Report of the Ad Hoc Committee set up to consider the draft clauses of the Proceeds of Crime Bill, as set out in Command Paper 5066, be submitted to the Secretary of State as a Report of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

[Chairperson, Ad Hoc Committee – Proceeds of Crime Bill]  
[OP 52/00 – 29 May 2001]

### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 47(7) after ‘five’ insert:

‘and such quorum shall be deemed to be present where Members are linked by a video conferencing facility.’

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 54/00 – 19 June 2001]

### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 72 delete all and insert:

‘Subject to the requirements of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, a Member may move a motion for the suspension of one or more Standing Orders in whole or in part. A motion under this Standing Order shall require cross-community support within the meaning of Section 4(5) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998.’

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 54/00 – 19 June 2001]

## Report of the Committee of the Centre - Commissioner for Children

That this Assembly approves the Report of the Committee of the Centre on their inquiry into the proposal for a Commissioner for Children for Northern Ireland (2/00R) and calls on the First Minister and Deputy First Minister to take full account of the recommendations.

[Chairperson, Committee of the Centre]  
[OP 56/00 – 26 June 2001]

### Statutory Rule Subject to Negative Resolution

That the Seed Potatoes (Crop Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 (SR 228/2001) be annulled.

[Chairperson, Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development]  
[Tabled 15 June 2001]  
[OP 56/00 – 26 June 2001]

### Amend Standing Orders: Audit Committee

In Standing Order 58 delete all and insert:

- “(1) There shall be a Standing Committee of the Assembly to be known as the Audit Committee which shall:
- (a) exercise the functions laid upon the Assembly by Section 66 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998;
  - (b) recommend to the Assembly the annual salary payable to the holder of the office of Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland in accordance with Article 4(1) of the Audit (Northern Ireland) Order 1987; and
  - (c) recommend to the Assembly a person to be nominated for appointment to the office of Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland in accordance with Section 65(1) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998.
- (2) In discharging its functions under this Standing Order the Committee shall have regard to the advice of the Public Accounts Committee and the Department of Finance and Personnel.
- (3) In accordance with Section 66(2) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, no more than one member of the Committee may be a member of the Public Accounts Committee.
- (4) The Committee shall have a membership of five and a quorum of two.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 19 June 2001]  
[OP 58/00 – 3 July 2001]

### Amend Standing Orders: Sittings and Adjournments of the Assembly

In Standing Order 10(2) line 3 delete ‘10.30 am’, and insert ‘12.00 midday’.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 58/00 – 3 July 2001]

### Amend Standing Orders: Register of Members’ Interests

In Standing Order 64 delete all and insert:

- “(1) A Register of Members’ Interests, which shall list the categories of registrable interest, shall be established, published and made available for public inspection.

- (2) The Clerk of Standards shall compile, and from time to time publish, the Register of Members' Interests.
- (3) Every Member of the Assembly shall inform the Clerk of Standards of such particulars of his/her registrable interests as shall be required, and of any alterations to such interests within four weeks of each change occurring.
- (4) Before taking part in any debate or proceeding of the Assembly or its Committees, a Member shall declare any interest, financial or otherwise, which is relevant to that debate or proceeding, where such interest is held by the Member or an immediate relative.
- (5) No Member of the Assembly shall, in any proceeding of the Assembly, in return for payment or benefit mentioned in paragraph 61 of the Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members, approved by the Assembly on 14 December 1999 ["the Guide"]:
  - (a) advocate or initiate any cause or matter on behalf of any outside body or individual;
  - (b) urge any other Member of the Assembly to do so.
- (6) Where it appears to the Committee on Standards and Privileges that a Member has failed to comply with, or has contravened any provision of this Order, the Committee may make a report to the Assembly.
- (7) A report made under paragraph (6) may contain a recommendation that the Member:
  - (a) be excluded from proceedings of the Assembly for a specified period; and
  - (b) have his/her rights and privileges as a Member withdrawn for that period.
- (8) In this Standing Order:-

“Financial interest” means any registrable interest other than one falling within paragraph 26 or 27 of the Guide;

“Registrable interest” means any category of registrable interest falling within paragraphs 14 to 37 of the Guide.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 58/00 – 3 July 2001]

Amend Standing Orders: Committee on Standards and Privileges

In Standing Order 57 delete all and insert:

“57. COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS AND PRIVILEGES

- (1) There shall be a Standing Committee of the Assembly called the Committee on Standards and Privileges:
  - (a) to consider specific matters relating to privilege referred to it by the Assembly;
  - (b) to oversee the work of the Assembly Clerk of Standards; to examine the arrangements for the compilation, maintenance and accessibility of the Register of Members’ Interests and any other registers of interests established by the Assembly; and to review from time to time the form and content of those registers;
  - (c) to consider any matter relating to the conduct of Members including specific complaints in relation to alleged breaches of any code of conduct to which the Assembly has agreed and which have been drawn to the Committee’s attention;
  - (d) to recommend any modifications to the code of conduct mentioned in paragraph (c);
  - (e) to perform the functions described in Standing Order 64(6) and (7);
  - (f) to make a report to the Assembly on any matter falling within this Standing Order.
- (2) The Committee shall be appointed at the commencement of every Assembly and shall have power to send for persons, papers and records that are relevant to its enquiries.
- (3) There shall be an officer of the Assembly, to be known as the Assembly Commissioner for Standards, who shall carry out an investigation into any matter falling within paragraph (4) referred to him by the Assembly Clerk of Standards and shall make a report thereon to the Committee on Standards and Privileges.
- (4) Those matters are:
  - (a) matters relating to Members and Assembly privilege, including alleged breach of privilege;
  - (b) specific complaints about Members made in relation to the registering or declaring of interests; and
  - (c) matters relating to the conduct of Members, including specific complaints in relation to alleged contravention of:

- (i) the Code of Conduct for Members of the Assembly; or
  - (ii) the Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members, approved by the Assembly on 14 December 1999.
- (5) A report made under paragraph (3) may not include any recommendations for any sanction or penalty to be imposed upon any Member of the Assembly.
- (6) The Assembly Commissioner for Standards shall not, in the exercise of any of his functions, be subject to the direction or control of the Assembly.
- (7) The Assembly may not dismiss the Assembly Commissioner for Standards unless:
  - (a) the Assembly so resolves; and
  - (b) the resolution is passed with the support of a number of Members of the Assembly which equals or exceeds two-thirds of the total number of seats in the Assembly.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[OP 58/00 – 3 July 2001]

#### Report into the Use of Public-Private Partnerships

That this Assembly takes note of the Report prepared by the Committee for Finance and Personnel following its Inquiry into the use of Public-Private Partnerships (7/00/R).

[Chairperson, Committee for Finance and Personnel]  
[OP 58/00 – 3 July 2001]

#### Extension of Committee Stage – Trustee Bill (NIA Bill 11/00)

† That in accordance with Standing Order 31(4) the period referred to in Standing Order 31(2) be extended to Friday, 22 June 2001 in relation to the Committee Stage of the Trustee Bill (NIA Bill 11/00).

[Chairperson, Committee for Finance and Personnel]

## **PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

### Fuel Costs

That this Assembly expresses its concern at the escalating price of fuel and calls on the Chancellor of the Exchequer to take measures to lessen the impact of high fuel costs on the economic well-being of Northern Ireland and its people, and to encourage other EU member states to bring their tax on fuel into line with neighbouring countries to allow fair competition and to discourage the illegal transportation of fuel across national boundaries.

[Mr N Dodds]

[Mr R Beggs]

[OP 02/00 – 18&19 September 2000]

### Housing

That this Assembly notes with concern the growing crisis in the availability of affordable housing and urges the Minister for Social Development to bring forward proposals to address this issue.

[Dr A McDonnell]

[OP 03/00 – 25&26 September 2000]

### Retail Outlets

That this Assembly calls for credible independent impact assessments before planning approval is granted to major retail outlets and asks for a moratorium on such developments until such time as there is a policy in place which gives shoppers maximum choice but at the same time protects the legitimate rights and needs of the indigenous retail trade.

[Mr J Dallat]

[Tabled 25 September 2000]

[OP 04/00 – 2&3 October 2000]

### Pensions

That this Assembly calls for an immediate increase from the Chancellor of the Exchequer's package of £5.00 per week in retirement pensions and the restoration of the index linking of pensions to earnings.

[Mr K McCarthy]

[Mrs E Bell]

[Tabled 25 September 2000]

[OP 04/00 – 2&3 October 2000]

## Local Community Nursing

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to ensure that appropriate funding for local community nursing is available for those patients in acute hospitals for whom nursing care is appropriate, so that bed blocking is removed and consultants can treat additional patients currently on waiting lists.

[Rev R Coulter]  
[Mr A McFarland]  
[Tabled 25 September 2000]  
[OP 04/00 – 2&3 October 2000]

## First Minister

That this Assembly has no confidence in the First Minister.

[Mr P Robinson MP]  
[Mr N Dodds]  
[Tabled 2 October 2000]  
[OP 05/00 - 9 October 2000]

## Report on Secondary Education

That this Assembly notes the recent Report ‘The Effects of the Selective System of Secondary Education in Northern Ireland’ and calls for wide-ranging consultations involving all of the education partners about the best way forward for post-primary education.

[Mr T Gallagher]  
[Tabled 26 September 2000]  
[OP 06/00 – 16,17&18 October 2000]

## Civic Forum

That this Assembly urges the First Minister and Deputy First Minister to take appropriate and immediate steps to appoint a representative of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland to the Civic Forum.

[Mr P Robinson MP]  
[Mr N Dodds]  
[Tabled 9 October 2000]  
[OP 07/00 – 23&24 October 2000]



## Zero Waste Strategy

That this Assembly calls upon the Minister of the Environment to agree a waste management strategy which would progressively work towards zero waste targets. This Assembly believes that such a strategy is vital to the future economic, environmental and social well being of our society. Further, this Assembly calls for such targets to be achieved within a generation, that is by the year 2025. This Assembly further calls upon the Minister of the Environment to initiate joint actions with his southern counterpart to develop an All-Island zero waste management strategy.

[Mr M McLaughlin]

[Mr M Murphy]

[Tabled 9 October 2000]

[OP 07/00 – 23&24 October 2000]

## Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

That this Assembly agrees to apply for admission to membership of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, such membership to be effective immediately on approval of the application by the General Assembly of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association; to abide by the provisions of the Constitution of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association; the required membership fee be paid to the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association; and that this motion be communicated to the Secretariat of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association immediately following agreement.

[Ms J Morrice]

[Ms M McWilliams]

[Tabled 16 October 2000]

[OP 07/00 – 23&24 October 2000]

## Electricity Costs

That this Assembly notes the high cost of electricity in Northern Ireland and calls on the Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment to examine and review the electricity supply market in this region.

[Mr J Byrne]

[Tabled – 6 November 2000]

[OP 08/00 – 6 November 2000]

## Fire Service

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to make representations to the Secretary of State on the need for a State Award to recognise the commitment to duty of members of the Fire Service in Northern Ireland.

[Mrs E Bell]

[Mr D Ford]

[OP 09/00 – 7 November 2000]

## Biomedical Sciences

That the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety takes immediate steps to redress the staffing inadequacies in the Biomedical Sciences in the Health Service and initiates a manpower planning exercise to consider the staffing levels, terms and conditions of employment of staff in these areas and establishes arrangements to address the needs of the Health Service in Northern Ireland in regard to this area of her responsibility.

[Mr R Hutchinson]  
[Mr P Berry]  
[Tabled 9 October 2000]  
[OP 09/00 - 7 November 2000]

## Trust Port Status

That this Assembly notes the Minister's intention to provide legislation regarding Trust Port Status, and calls upon the Minister to safeguard the future of Northern Ireland Trust Ports including Londonderry and especially the smaller ports which will be affected by the announcement concerning the Port of Belfast.

[Mr W Hay]  
[Mr J Wells]  
[Tabled 9 October 2000]  
[OP 13/00 - 21 November 2000]

## Compensation Payments

That this Assembly welcomes the announcement by the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland on 7 November 2000, of payments to RUC widows, and the fund for injured police officers, retired officers and their families; and calls on the Secretary of State to provide the same level of assistance to Army/UDR/RIR widows, injured Army/UDR/RIR personnel, retired Army/UDR/RIR personnel and their families.

[Mr D Kennedy]  
[Tabled 20 November 2000]  
[OP 13/00 - 21 November 2000]

## Fire Service

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to make representations to the Secretary of State for a State Award that will recognise the great sacrifice and commitment to duty of members of the Fire Service in Northern Ireland.

[Mr J Shannon]  
[Mr W Hay]  
[Tabled 13 November 2000]  
[OP 14/00 - 27 November 2000]

## Economic Performance

That this Assembly welcomes the recent announcement of a continuing decline in the rate of unemployment; and calls on the Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment and all Ministers whose departments have an impact on economic performance, to continue to develop policies which promote a competitive, dynamic and sustainable economy.

[Mr J Leslie]  
[Dr E Birnie]  
[Tabled 16 October 2000]  
[OP 15/00 - 28 November 2000]

## Retainer Payment

That this Assembly supports the call for retainer payment to be made for term time only workers and commends the proposal of the Education Committee for the provision of funds from the Education budget to pay the salary cost incurred.

[Mr S Wilson]  
[Tabled 18 September 2000]  
[OP 15/00 - 28 November 2000]

## On-Course Gambling

That this Assembly supports changes to the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 and any other relevant statutory provisions, to legalise Sunday on-course track betting in Northern Ireland and calls upon the Minister for Social Development to bring forward proposals to this effect.

[Mr P J Bradley]  
[Tabled 13 November 2000]  
[OP 15/00 - 28 November 2000]

## Bonded Labour

That this Assembly is appalled by the United Nations' estimate that some 20 million people are living in slavery around the world under the bonded labour system; expresses its concern over the repeated failures of Governments like Pakistan, India and Nepal to take adequate measures to eradicate the use of bonded labour in their countries; calls on the British and Irish Governments to work with their European Union partners to sponsor a resolution at the next United Nations Commission on Human Rights condemning this practice; and urges the International Labour Organisation to ensure at its Conference in June 2001 that independent and comprehensive surveys into the extent of bonded labour are carried out in countries where it persists.

[Mr E McGrady MP]  
[Tabled 27 November 2000]  
[OP 16/00 - 4 December 2000]

### Agricultural Industry

That this Assembly recognises the difficulties facing the agricultural industry and the importance of the agricultural sector to the Northern Ireland economy and asks that the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development take a more proactive role in furthering the interests of the agricultural industry.

[Mr G Savage]  
[Tabled 27 November 2000]  
[OP 17/00 - 5 December 2000]

### Aggregates Tax

That this Assembly notes the serious economic and environmental implications the aggregates tax will have on the quarry and construction industry in Northern Ireland and calls upon the Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment and the Minister of Finance and Personnel to make representations to the UK Treasury on behalf of the Quarry Producers Association to prevent the introduction of this tax in this region.

[Mr J Byrne]  
[Mr D Hussey]  
[Tabled 23 April 2000]  
[OP 19/00 - 12 December 2000]

### Motion – Skill Shortage

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment to take immediate steps to address the problem of skill shortage within Northern Ireland, particularly in the field of Health and Social Services.

[Mr D O'Connor]  
[Tabled 27 September 2000]  
[OP 23/00 – 16 January 2001]

### Capital Spending

That this Assembly calls upon the Minister of Education to ensure a fair and equitable distribution of the capital spending budget between the various school systems in Northern Ireland.

[Mr S Wilson]  
[Tabled 20 November 2000]  
[OP 23/00 - 16 January 2001]

### Homeless

That the Minister for Social Development makes provision for the growing numbers presenting themselves as homeless at this time of year and makes plans to cater for these numbers increasing throughout the year.

[Mr E O'Neill]  
[Tabled 18 December 2000]  
[OP 23/00 - 16 January 2001]

### Student Debt

That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment to urgently address the critical state of student debt.

[Mr J Kelly]  
[Tabled 5 December 2000]  
[OP 23/00 - 16 January 2001]

### Employment Protection

That this Assembly calls upon the Minister of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment to bring forward legislative proposals to provide employment protection rights for those, directly or indirectly employed in respect of on-course track betting.

[Mr P J Bradley]  
[Tabled 13 November 2000]  
[OP 25/00 - 23 January 2001]

### Report on Punishment Beatings

This Assembly notes with grave concern the contents of a report on punishment beatings by paramilitary organisations; deplores and condemns the Government's inadequate response to the report; calls on the Government to bring forward measures to ensure those responsible are made amenable to the law.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Mr I Paisley]  
[Tabled 4 December 2000]  
[OP 25/00 - 23 January 2001]

## Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000

That this Assembly notes the enactment of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, and calls for the equivalent protection to be extended to Areas of Special Scientific Interest in Northern Ireland

[Mrs J Morrice]  
[Mrs M McWilliams]  
[Tabled 15 January 2001]  
[OP 25/00 - 23 January 2001]

## RVH Statement

That this Assembly notes with concern the announcement on 12 January 2001 by the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast that the organs of deceased children have been stored without parental consent during the past 50 years. The Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to outline the measures she will take to alleviate the distress caused to the families of the children concerned and to confirm that this practice was not carried out at other facilities in Northern Ireland.

[Mr J Shannon]  
[Tabled 22 January 2001]  
[OP 26/00 - 29 January 2001]

## Children's Commissioner

This Assembly calls upon the Executive to appoint a Children's Commissioner for Northern Ireland to highlight the interests of children in all aspects of Executive policy.

[Mr D Ford]  
[Mrs E Bell]  
[Tabled 27 November 2000]  
[OP 27/00 - 30 January 2001]

## Maternity Service

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to give due weight to the determination of both the Health, Social Services and Public Safety Committee and the Northern Ireland Assembly on maternity service provision in Belfast in light of the decision of 29 November 2000 of the High Court.

[Mr P Berry]  
[Tabled 4 December 2000]  
[OP 27/00 - 30 January 2001]

### Public Inquiry

That this Assembly calls on the Secretary of State to make representations to the Government of the Republic of Ireland to conduct a public inquiry into suspected collusion between members of the Garda Síochána and the IRA in the planning and execution of acts of terrorism.

[Mr D Kennedy]  
[Tabled 22 January 2001]  
[OP 27/00 - 30 January 2001]

### Silent Valley Sheep

That this Assembly calls on those Ministers responsible to make compensation for County Down farmers who are suffering financially as a result of the Silent Valley Sheep ban in the Mourne.

[Mr E O'Neill]  
[Tabled 18 December 2000]  
[OP 31/00 - 13 February 2001]

### Education Information

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Education to publish information which enables the performance of schools in Northern Ireland to be adequately measured and compared.

[Mr S Wilson]  
[Tabled 29 January 2001]  
[OP 31/00 - 13 February 2001]

### Asylum Seekers

That this Assembly notes with concern the report by The Law Centre "Sanctuary in a Cell" on the detention of asylum seekers and calls upon the Government to develop an alternative to detaining asylum seekers and to devise methods of expediting the application process.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Tabled 5 February 2001]  
[OP 31/00 - 13 February 2001]

### Electoral Fraud

That this Assembly calls on the Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland to report on his plans to counter electoral fraud.

[Mr D Hussey]  
[Tabled 5 February 2001]  
[OP 31/00 13 February 2001 (not moved)]  
[OP 33/00 - 20 February 2001]

## Royal Commission Report on Long Term Care

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to implement in full in Northern Ireland the recommendations contained in the Report by the Royal Commission on Long-Term Care published in March 1999.

[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Tabled 22 January 2001]  
[OP 35/00 - 27 February 2001]

## Care for the Elderly

This Assembly notes the decision of the Scottish Parliament to provide the elderly with free nursing and personal care and calls on the Executive Committee to make similar provision for the elderly in Northern Ireland and to promote the greater well-being of the elderly in this part of the United Kingdom.

[Mr N Dodds]  
[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 5 February 2001]  
[OP 35/00 - 27 February 2001]

## Security Force Collusion

That this Assembly calls on the Secretary of State to initiate an independent public inquiry into allegations of collusion between the Royal Ulster Constabulary Special Branch, British Military Intelligence and Loyalist paramilitaries in the planning and murder of Catholics.

[Mrs M Nelis]  
[Tabled 5 February 2001]  
[OP 35/00 - 27 February 2001]

## Financial Assistance for Fishing Industry

That this Assembly calls upon the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development to provide short-term financial assistance for the fishing industry due to the restriction coming from the Cod Recovery Programme.

[Mr J Shannon]  
[Mrs I Robinson]  
[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Rt Hon J Taylor MP]  
[Mr C Wilson]  
[Mr T Hamilton]  
[Tabled 12 March 2001]  
[OP 41/00 - 27 March 2001]



### Adolescent Psychiatric Services

That this Assembly notes with serious concern the shortage of adolescent psychiatric services throughout Northern Ireland and urges the Minister of Health to ensure that the key staff are recruited immediately with a view to meeting the community need for this vital service within 2 years in all parts of Northern Ireland.

[Mr A McDonnell]  
[Mr E McMenamin]  
[Tabled 19 February 2001]  
[OP 43/00 - 3 April 2001]

### Minimum Wage

That this Assembly considers the current minimum wage threshold to be too low and supports a minimum wage level of (at least) £5.00 per hour and calls for the youth exemption contained in the current legislation to be abolished so that the £5.00 per hour rate applies to all.

[Mr B Hutchinson]  
[Dr D O'Hagan]  
[Tabled 29 January 2001]  
[OP 43/00 - 3 April 2001]

### Display of Lilies in Parliament Buildings

This Assembly instructs the Assembly Commission to rescind its decision to display lilies in Parliament Buildings during the Easter Recess and deprecates the abuse of the voting system, which brought about the original decision.

[Mr J Wells]  
[OP 44/00 – 10 April 2001]

### Fireworks

That this Assembly calls on the Executive to establish an Inter-Departmental Working Group in conjunction with the Northern Ireland Office to examine ways in which the nuisance caused by fireworks can be abated.

[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Mrs E Bell]  
[Tabled 18 December 2000]  
[OP 49/00 - 8 May 2001]

### No Confidence

That this Assembly has no confidence in the Minister of Education, Mr Martin McGuinness.

[Mr P Robinson MP]  
[Mr N Dodds]  
[Tabled 30 April 2001]  
[OP 49/00 – 8 May 2001]

### Alcohol Bye-Laws

That this Assembly believes that current levels of enforcement of alcohol bye-laws are inadequate to address the problem of outdoor drinking; and that increased resources should be made available for the enforcement of the bye-laws and for a province-wide education programme to alert younger people to the dangers of under-age drinking.

[Mrs J Carson]  
[Tabled 12 February 2001]  
[OP 55/00 - 25 June 2001]

### Statutory Rule Subject to Negative Resolution

That the Seed Potato Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 (2001 No 188) be annulled.

[Mr D Ford]  
[Tabled 29 May 2001]  
[OP 56/00 - 26 June 2001]

### Lagan Valley Hospital

That this Assembly notes with concern the current underfunding of the Lagan Valley Hospital within the Down/Lisburn Trust.

[Mr E Poots]  
[Mr S Close]  
[Tabled 18 June 2001]  
[OP 56/00 - 26 June 2001]

### The Future of the Children's Hospice

That this Assembly notes the ongoing dispute surrounding the future of the Children's Hospice and calls for an early resolution of the issues.

[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 18 June 2001]  
[OP 59/00 - 4 July 2001]

### Child Protection

That this Assembly calls on the Ministers responsible for the protection of children, in view of the anomalies in the current vetting system, to take the necessary interim steps to improve the position on vetting those suitable to work with children.

[Ms P Lewsley]  
[Tabled 13 February 2001]  
[OP 59/00 - 4 July 2001]

### Rail Transport

That this Assembly believes a safe and efficient rail system is vital to the future economic, environmental and social well-being of Northern Ireland, and calls upon the Minister for Regional Development to ensure that proper funding is made available.

[Mr A McFarland]  
[Tabled 11 September 2000]

### Tax on Fuel

This Assembly calls on the Chancellor of the Exchequer to reduce the tax burden on fuel and to encourage other EU member states to bring their tax on fuel into line with neighbouring countries to allow fair competition and to discourage the illegal transportation of fuel across national boundaries.

[Mr R Beggs ]  
[Mr D Kennedy]  
[Tabled 12 September 2000]

### Unemployment

That this Assembly welcomes the recent announcement of continued decline in the rate of unemployment; and calls on the Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment and all Ministers whose Departments have an impact on economic performance, to continue to develop policies which promote a competitive, dynamic and prosperous economy.

[Mr J Leslie]  
[Tabled 25 September 2000]

### Skill Shortage

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment to take immediate steps to address the problem of skill shortage within Northern Ireland, particularly in the field of Health and Social Services

[Mr D O'Connor]  
[Tabled 9 October 2000]

### Exclusion of Sinn Féin

This House resolves that Sinn Féin does not enjoy the confidence of the Assembly because it is not committed to non-violence and exclusively peaceful and democratic means and, therefore, consistent with the Northern Ireland Act 1998, determines that Members of Sinn Féin shall be excluded from holding office as Ministers for a period of 12 months from the date of this resolution.

[Mr C Wilson]  
[Mr P Roche]  
[Tabled 17 October 2000]

### Nationality

That this Assembly recognises the inalienable right of the pro-Union people of Northern Ireland, and indeed the entire island of Ireland, to British nationality.

[Mr I Adamson]  
[Tabled 13 November 2000]

### Mobile Phones

That this Assembly calls upon the Minister of the Environment and the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to ensure the complete implementation of the recommendations made by the Independent Expert Group on Mobile Phones as laid out in the Stewart Report and further implement a change in legislation to ensure that no telecommunications masts are constructed within three hundred yards of any dwelling without full public consultation.

[Mr J Shannon]  
[Tabled 13 November 2000]

### Local Government Elections

That this Assembly calls on the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland to announce that the Local Government elections will take place in May 2001.

[Mr E Poots]  
[Tabled 4 December 2000]

### Award to RUC

This Assembly calls for an official Assembly award to be made to the RUC and its reserve in recognition of its officers' duty, service and bravery in the face of terrorism and crime and for its impartial defence of the entire Northern Ireland community.

[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 4 December 2000]

### Postal Delivery Service

That this Assembly urges the European Parliament, the European Telecommunications Council and the European Commission to use a gradual and controlled approach to evolve the postal delivery service across Europe which will ensure the provision of a universal service at a uniform, affordable price and is concerned that the current 50 gram tariff proposal would be disadvantageous to Northern Ireland citizens as it would put the United Kingdom's universal service at risk.

[Mr R Beggs]  
[Tabled 4 December 2000]

### Weather Conditions

That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Regional Development and the Minister of the Environment to review urgently the responses of the Roads Service and the Water Agency to the Christmas and New Year weather conditions; that they publish an account of the actions taken to maintain the integrity of the roads and water infrastructure and that they immediately investigate alternative procedures to combat the effects of severe winter weather.

[Mr J Fee]  
[Tabled 15 January 2001]

### Councillors

That this Assembly calls upon the Minister of the Environment to bring forward proposals to financially reward the long-term contributions of many Councillors and to assess the work of Councillors to ensure that they are financially rewarded at an appropriate level.

[Mr O Gibson]  
[Mrs E Bell]  
[Tabled 22 January 2001]

### Irish Justice System

That this Assembly notes with concern the failure of the Irish Justice system to resolve the rape/incest case of the daughter of British citizen Sarah Bland.

[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 22 January 2001]

### Road Spending Plans

That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Regional Development to explain current road spending plans in the context of the recent publication of the consultation paper 'Developing a Regional Transportation Strategy'.

[Ms M McWilliams]  
[Tabled 5 February 2001]

### District Council Childcare Facilities

That this Assembly calls on local authorities to set themselves a common objective of providing childcare facilities for elected representatives and staff.

[Ms M Gildernew]  
[Tabled 5 February 2001]

### Morning After Pill

That this Assembly regrets the decision of the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to sign The Prescription Only Medicines (Human Use) Amendment (No.3) Order 2000.

[Dr E Birnie]  
[Mr A Maginness]  
[Tabled 5 February 2001]

### United Christian Broadcasters

That this Assembly supports the award of broadcasting radio licences to United Christian Broadcasters Ltd and welcomes the decision of the European Court of Human Rights on 7 November 2000 placing no restriction on religious bodies applying for and being granted licences for local broadcasting, at the same time this Assembly deplores the decision of the Radio Authority on 26 April 2000 to refuse a local digital multiplex licence for the Northern Ireland region to United Christian Broadcasters.

[Mr G Savage]  
[Tabled 5 February 2001]

### Domestic Energy Efficiency Scheme

That this Assembly welcomes the achievement of the Department for Social Development in tackling fuel poverty through the existing Domestic Energy Efficiency Scheme (DEES) and calls on the Minister for Social Development to ensure that the DEES II Scheme will be an effective mechanism to finally eradicate this problem.

[Ms M Gildernew]  
[Tabled 5 February 2001]

### Bi-Centenary of the Act of Union 1801

That this Assembly deplores the intention of the Minister of Culture, Arts and Leisure to preside over the commemoration of the Bi-Centenary of the Act of Union 1801.

[Mrs M Nelis]  
[Tabled 5 February 2001]

### Morning After Pill

That this Assembly expresses concern at the decision by the Minister for Health, Social Services and Public Safety making the 'morning after pill' available to 16 year olds without debate in the Assembly or the Health Committee, and calls on the Minister to reverse her decision.

[Mrs I Robinson MP]  
[Tabled 12 February 2001]

### TG4

That this Assembly calls on the relevant Irish and British Broadcasting Authorities to ensure the complete availability of TG4 throughout Ireland.

[Mr B McElduff]  
[Tabled 12 February 2001]

### Security Policy

That this Assembly calls on Her Majesty's Government, in the absence of actual decommissioning, to implement an effective security policy to recover all illegal weapons and explosives from the terrorist organisations.

[Mr P Roche]  
[Mr N Boyd]  
[Tabled 13 February 2001]

### Fluoridation of Drinking Water

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to discontinue the fluoridation of drinking water.

[Mr J Dallat]  
[Tabled 19 February 2001]

### Traceability Scheme

That this Assembly calls on the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development to take all steps necessary to ensure the integrity of the Traceability Scheme for Northern Ireland Beef and to investigate the labelling and subsequent sell-on of all beef processed in Northern Ireland Meat Plants.

[Mr G Savage]  
[Tabled 26 February 2001]

### Inter-Departmental Working Group

That this Assembly calls on the Executive to establish an Inter-Departmental Working Group to make recommendations on the removal of paramilitary flags, emblems and graffiti from public property.

[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Tabled 26 February 2001]

### 'Barriers to Growth and Survival' Report

That this Assembly notes the Report, 'Barriers to Growth and Survival' published by the Federation of Small Businesses in November 2000; and calls on the Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment to initiate an investigation into the high level of interest charges imposed by banks in Northern Ireland on small businesses.

[Mr B Armstrong]  
[Tabled 26 February 2001]

### Audit Office Report

That this Assembly notes the recent report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on 'Road Opening by Utilities' (NIA 35/00), published on 22 February 2001.

[Mr J Kelly]  
[Tabled 26 February 2001]

### Social Exclusion of Young People

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Further and Higher Education, Training and Employment to urgently review those policies aimed at reducing social exclusion of young people in Northern Ireland and to initiate programmes and initiatives which will reduce the number of young people in Northern Ireland entering long-term unemployment.

[Mr J Dallat]  
[Tabled 26 February 2001]

### Gender Equality

That this Assembly calls on the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister, given the reports of skills shortages in the employment sector, to review training provision for women in Northern Ireland and to promote a more co-ordinated training service to enhance gender equality in the training sector.

[Mrs P Lewsley]  
[Tabled 5 March 2001]



### Nursery Schools Admissions

That this Assembly recognises the problems caused by the current admissions criteria for Nursery Schools and calls upon the Minister of Education to review the criteria in order to remove the disadvantage which it causes for working parents.

[Mr S Wilson]  
[Tabled 5 March 2001]

### Foot-and-Mouth Disease

That this Assembly expresses grave concern about the impact of the Foot-and-Mouth Disease on the agricultural industry in Northern Ireland; calls on the government to provide compensation for those who have suffered loss of livelihood as a consequence, and urges the Northern Ireland Executive to seek substantial and special funding from the Treasury in London to deal with this matter.

[Mr E McGrady MP]  
[Tabled 5 March 2001]

### Funding for Childcare Provision

That this Assembly calls upon the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to make adequate funding available for all aspects of childcare provision in Northern Ireland.

[Mr J Shannon]  
[Mr W Hay]  
[Tabled 5 March 2001]

### Hepatitis C

That this Assembly, recognising the plight of those infected with Hepatitis C contracted as a result of health service treatment with contaminated blood products, calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to provide assurances about the propriety of further treatment to reduce the risks of further infection and further calls on the Minister to arrange compensation for those infected during health service treatment.

[Mr J Kelly]  
[Tabled 5 March 2001]

### 7<sup>th</sup> Report of Community Attitudes Survey

That this Assembly welcomes the publication of the 7<sup>th</sup> Report of Community Attitudes Survey by the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) and welcomes its findings that 77% of those surveyed, “believed the police deal fairly with everyone.” (Table 2.31, NISRA, Community Attitudes Survey, 7<sup>th</sup> Report, December 2000)

[Mr R Beggs]  
[Mr S Neeson]  
[Tabled 5 March 2001]

### Terrorist Attacks on Northern Ireland Railways

That this Assembly condemns the ongoing terrorist attacks on the railway infrastructure throughout Northern Ireland.

[Mr W Hay]  
[Mr J Wells]  
[Tabled 12 March 2001]

### Allocation of Schools Capital Spending

That this Assembly disapproves of the unbalanced and party political allocation of schools capital spending announced in February 2001 by the Minister of Education.

[Mr S Wilson]  
[Tabled 12 March 2001]

### Award to UDR

That this Assembly calls for an official Assembly award to be made to the UDR in recognition of its members' duty, service, bravery and courage in the face of unrelenting terrorism and crime in Northern Ireland and for its defence of the entire community.

[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 12 March 2001]

### Sellafield Nuclear Plant

That this Assembly calls for the run-down and closure at the earliest possible date of nuclear processing activities carried out at Sellafield.

[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Tabled 12 March 2001]

### Single European Currency

That this Assembly congratulates the European Movement on its efforts to generate interest in the debate on a Single European Currency and calls on the Assembly to support its efforts.

[Ms J Morrice]  
[Tabled 12 March 2001]

## GAA

That this Assembly condemns the anti-British ethos of the Gaelic Athletic Association, particularly rule 21 within its written constitution which discriminates against members of the Security Forces from participation, and calls on Government funding to the GAA to be stopped with immediate effect until such discriminatory rules are removed from the GAA's constitution.

[Mr N Boyd]  
[Tabled 26 March 2001]

## Organic Farming

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development to bring forward plans for environmental enhancement schemes, incentives and support to ensure that targets for organic farming from 3% are increased towards 20%.

[Mr G McHugh]  
[Ms M Gildernew]  
[Tabled 26 March 2001]

## Function and Funding of Training Organisations

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment to review the function and funding of Training Organisations.

[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 2 April 2001]

## Financial Assistance to the Agribusiness Sector

That this Assembly notes the serious impact of foot and mouth disease on the agribusiness sector, and calls on the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development to consider giving financial assistance to those most affected, in particular the livestock marts which play a vital role in the agricultural sector.

[Mr G Kane]  
[Mrs I Robinson]  
[Tabled 2 April 2001]

## Local Elections

That this Assembly condemns the decision of the Secretary of State to postpone the local elections due to be held on 16 May 2001.

[Mr D Ford]  
[Tabled 2 April 2001]

### Financial Assistance for Foster Carers

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to bring forward legislative proposals to address the inconsistencies in the arrangements at Board and Trust level for providing financial assistance to those offering foster care for young people in the community.

[Ms S Ramsey]

[Mr J Kelly]

[Tabled 23 April 2001]

### Processing of Incapacity Benefit and Disability Living Allowance

That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Social Development to review the process involved in respect of claims for Incapacity Benefit and Disability Living Allowance, in the light of its impact on the chronically sick and disabled.

[Mrs M Nelis]

[Tabled 23 April 2001]

### Plastic Bullets

That this Assembly calls on the British Government to impose an immediate and total ban on the use of plastic bullets.

[Mrs M Nelis]

[Tabled 23 April 2001]

### Assistance for Hepatitis 'C' Sufferers

That this Assembly notes the financial help given to HIV sufferers in the rest of the United Kingdom and elsewhere, notes the recent legal challenge for similar assistance for Hepatitis 'C' sufferers, and accordingly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to take steps to provide financial assistance to Hepatitis 'C' sufferers in Northern Ireland.

[Mrs I Robinson]

[Tabled 8 May 2001]

### European Court of Human Rights

That this Assembly believes the European Court of Human Rights should consider the cases of innocent victims created by the activities of illegal paramilitary groups. It further deplores the award of compensation to the families of unashamed armed terrorists.

[Mr D Kennedy]

[Tabled 14 May 2001]

### Voluntary Play Group Sector

That this Assembly values the work of the Voluntary Play Group sector and calls on the Minister of Education to re-assess the current funding criteria so that high quality play groups will not be jeopardised by the removal of financial support by the Department of Education.

[Mr R Beggs]  
[Ms J Carson]  
[Tabled 21 May 2001]

### Lagan Valley Hospital

That this Assembly notes with concern the current underfunding of the Down/Lisburn Trust, and calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to provide adequate resources to retain Ward 14 of the Lagan Valley Hospital.

[Mr B Bell]  
[Mr S Close]  
[Tabled 29 May 2001]

### Townland Names

That this Assembly calls on each Government Department to adopt a policy of using and promoting townland names in all Government correspondence and official documents.

[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Mr D Ford]  
[Tabled 18 June 2001]

### Crimes Tribunal

That this Assembly calls for the establishment of a crimes tribunal to examine the activities of terrorist organisations in Northern Ireland over the past three decades.

[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 18 June 2001]

### Report by the Simon Community on Homelessness – ‘An Agenda for Action’

That this Assembly notes the report by the Simon Community on homelessness called ‘An Agenda for Action’ (published June 2001) and calls on the Minister for Social Development to respond positively to the needs of the homeless in Northern Ireland.

[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 18 June 2001]

### Threshold Assessment (Northern Ireland)

That this Assembly believes that the 'Threshold Assessment (Northern Ireland)' does not provide equality of opportunity for all members of the teaching profession.

[Mr B Hutchinson]  
[Tabled 18 June 2001]

### Prevention of Bullying in the Workplace

That this Assembly believes that current levels of legislation aimed at the prevention of bullying in the workplace are inadequate to address the issue; and that increased effort needs to be directed towards drafting and enforcing legislation which will minimise the occurrence of bullying in the workplace.

[Mr J Shannon]  
[Tabled 25 June 2001]

### Censure

That this Assembly censures the Speaker and Deputy Speakers for their ruling in respect of Mr S Wilson.

[Mr S Wilson]  
[Tabled 2 July 2001]