

# THE NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY

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**2001/2002**

*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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### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BUSINESS

#### Message of Condolence

That this Assembly condemns the shocking and inhuman acts of terrorism carried out in the United States of America on Tuesday and, on behalf of the people of Northern Ireland, extends its deepest sympathy to the Government and people of the United States of America and all who have suffered so grievously.

[Sir Reg Empey]

[Mr Séamus Mallon MP]

[Tabled 12 September 2001]

[OP 02/01 – 13 September 2001]

#### Regional Development Strategy

That this Assembly agrees the Regional Development Strategy ('Shaping our Future') for Northern Ireland 2025.

[Minister for Regional Development]

[Tabled 3 September 2001]

[OP 03/01- 17 September 2001]

### Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Housing Benefit (Decisions and Appeals) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 (SR 213/2001) be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]

[Tabled 10 September 2001]

[OP 03/01 – 17 September 2001]

### Suspend Standing Orders

That this Assembly suspends Standing Order 10(2) and Standing Order 10(6) for Monday 1 October 2001.

[Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment]

[Tabled 26 September 2001]

[OP 07/01 – 1 October 2001]

### Suspend Standing Orders

That Standing Order 40(1) be suspended in respect of the Final Stage of the Social Security Fraud Bill (NIA Bill 16/00).

[Minister for Social Development]

[Tabled 10 October 2001]

[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

### Draft Programme for Government

That this Assembly takes note of the draft Programme for Government.

[First Minister]

[Deputy First Minister]

[Tabled 10 September 2001]

[OP 16/01 – 13 November 2001]

### Tax Credits

That this Assembly endorses the principle of including in the Tax Credits Bill provision for the transfer of responsibility for policy and administration of Child Benefit and Guardians' Allowance to the Inland Revenue and social security legislative changes consequential upon the establishment of new Tax Credits, and agrees that the Bill should be considered by the United Kingdom Government.

[Minister for Social Development]

[Tabled 8 November 2001]

[OP 17/01 – 19 November 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Part-time Workers (Prevention of Less Favourable Treatment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 (SR 319/2001) be approved.

[Minister for Employment and Learning]  
[Tabled 5 November 2001]  
[OP 18/01 – 20 November 2001]

Programme for Government

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

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 30 November 2001]  
[OP 22/01 – 10 December 2001]

Suspend Standing Orders

That this Assembly suspends Standing Order 10(2) and Standing Order 10(6) for Monday 10 December 2001.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 4 December 2001]  
[OP 22/01 – 10 December 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Affirmative Resolution

That the Local Government (General Grant) Order (Northern Ireland) 2001 (SR 395/2001) be approved.

[Minister of the Environment]  
[Tabled 26 November 2001]  
[OP 23/01 – 11 December 2001]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Fishing Vessels (Decommissioning) Scheme (Northern Ireland) 2001 (SR 349/2001) be approved.

[Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development]  
[Tabled 26 November 2001]  
[OP 23/01 – 11 December 2001]

## Budget 2002-03

That this Assembly approves the programme of expenditure proposals for 2002-03 as set out in the Budget laid before the Assembly on 3 December 2001.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 3 December 2001]  
[OP 23/01 – 11 December 2001]

## Regional Transportation Strategy

That this Assembly takes note of the Proposed Regional Transportation Strategy Consultation Paper published on 4 February 2002.

[Minister for Regional Development]  
[Tabled 28 January 2002]  
[OP 29/01 – 4 February 2002]

## Suspend Standing Orders

That Standing Orders 10(2) and 10(6) be suspended for Monday 4 February 2002.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 29 January 2002]  
[OP 29/01 – 4 February 2002]

## Suspend Standing Orders

That Standing Orders 10(2) and 10(6) be suspended for Monday 11 February 2002.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 4 February 2002]  
[OP 30/01 – 11 February 2002]

### Supply Resolution for 2001-02 Spring Supplementary Estimates

That this Assembly approves that a further sum not exceeding £198,035,000 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 further resources, not exceeding £574,419,000, 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 2(b) and 3(b) of Table 1 in the volume of the Northern Ireland Spring Supplementary Estimates 2001-02 that was laid before the Assembly on 11 February 2002.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 4 February 2002]  
[OP 30/01 – 11 February 2002]

### Supply Resolution for 2002-03 Vote on Account

That this Assembly approves that a sum not exceeding £3,936,009,000 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 March 2003 and that resources, not exceeding £4,486,387,000, 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 March 2003 as summarised for each Department or other public body in columns 4 and 6 of Table 1 in the Vote on Account 2002-03 document that was laid before the Assembly on 11 February 2002.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 4 February 2002]  
[OP 30/01 – 11 February 2002]

### Statutory Rule Subject to Affirmative Resolution

That the Gaming (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order (Northern Ireland) 2001 (SR 414/2001) be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 01 February 2002]  
[OP 31/01 – 12 February 2002]

### Accelerated Passage

That in accordance with Standing Order 40(3), the Assembly grants accelerated passage to the Personal Social Services (Preserved Rights) Bill.

[Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety]  
[Tabled 11 February 2002]  
[OP 32/01 – 18 February 2002]

### Review of Public Administration

That this Assembly notes the proposed Terms of Reference for the Review of Public Administration.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 12 February 2002]  
[OP 34/01 – 25 February 2002]

### Suspend Standing Orders

That Standing Orders 10(2) and 10(6) be suspended for Monday 25 February 2002.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 19 February 2002]  
[OP 34/01 – 25 February 2002]

### Statutory Rule Subject to Affirmative Resolution

That the Rates (Regional Rates) Order (Northern Ireland) 2002 (SR 26/2002) be approved.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 25 February 2002]  
[OP 36/01 – 4 March 2002]

### Suspend Standing Orders

That Standing Orders 10(2) and 10(6) be suspended for Monday 4 March 2002.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 27 February 2002]  
[OP 36/01 – 4 March 2002]

Statutory Rule Subject to Affirmative Resolution

That the Pneumoconiosis, etc (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 (SR 133/2002) be approved.

[Minister for Employment and Learning]  
[Tabled 11 April 2002]  
[OP 45/01 – 22 April 2002]

Statutory Rule Subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Maternity and Parental Leave etc (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 (SR 135/2002) be approved.

[Minister for Employment and Learning]  
[Tabled 11 April 2002]  
[OP 45/01 – 22 April 2002]

Statutory Rule subject to Affirmative Resolution

That the Belfast Harbour Order (Northern Ireland) 2002 (SR 40/2002) be approved.

[Minister for Regional Development]  
[Tabled 1 May 2002]  
[OP 50/01 – 20 May 2002]

Statutory Rule subject to Affirmative Resolution

That the Warrenpoint Harbour Authority Order (Northern Ireland) 2002 (SR 42/2002) be approved.

[Minister for Regional Development]  
[Tabled 1 May 2002]  
[OP 50/01 – 20 May 2002]

Statutory Rule subject to Affirmative Resolution

That the Londonderry Harbour Order (Northern Ireland) 2002 (SR 41/2002) be approved.

[Minister for Regional Development]  
[Tabled 1 May 2002]  
[OP 50/01 – 20 May 2002]

Statutory Rule subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 2002 (SR 99/2002) be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 10 May 2002]  
[OP 50/01 – 20 May 2002]

Statutory Rule subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Social Security (Inherited SERPS) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 (SR 441/2001) be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 10 May 2002]  
[OP 50/01 – 20 May 2002]

Statutory Rule subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Social Security (Loss of Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 (SR 79/2002) be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 10 May 2002]  
[OP 50/01 – 20 May 2002]

Statutory Rule subject to Confirmatory Resolution

That the Social Security and Child Support (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 (SR 164/2002) be approved.

[Minister for Social Development]  
[Tabled 10 May 2002]  
[OP 50/01 – 20 May 2002]

Suspend Standing Orders

That Standing Orders 10(2) and 10(6) be suspended for Monday 20 May 2002.

[Minister for Regional Development]  
[Tabled 13 May 2002]  
[OP 50/01 – 20 May 2002]

Enterprise Bill – Consumer Protection Measures

That this Assembly endorses the principle of extending the consumer protection measures in the Enterprise Bill to Northern Ireland.

[Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment]  
[Tabled 27 May 2002]  
[OP 54/01 – 5 June 2002]



## Future of Europe

That this Assembly notes the Laeken Declaration and the subsequent establishment of a Convention on the Future of Europe.

[Junior Ministers]  
[Tabled 28 May 2002]  
[OP 54/01 – 5 June 2002]

## Supply Resolution for the 2002-03 Main Estimates

That this Assembly approves that a sum not exceeding £4,962,077,000 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 and the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints for the year ending 31 March 2003 and that resources, not exceeding £5,710,516,000 be authorised for use by Northern Ireland Departments, the Northern Ireland Assembly, the Northern Ireland Audit Office and the Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints for the year ending 31 March 2003 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 2002-03 that was laid before the Assembly on 31 May 2002

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 23 May 2002]  
[OP 55/01 – 10 June 2002]

## Statutory Rule subject to Affirmative Resolution

That the Local Government (General Grant) Order (Northern Ireland) 2002 (SR 182/2002) be affirmed.

[Minister of the Environment]  
[Tabled 22 May 2002]  
[OP 57/01 – 17 June 2002]

## Suspend Standing Orders

That Standing Orders 10(2) and 10(3) be suspended for Monday 24 June 2002.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 18 June 2002]  
[OP 59/01 – 24 June 2002]

## Review of Public Administration

That this Assembly endorses the terms of reference for the Review of Public Administration.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 18 June 2002]  
[OP 59/01 – 24 June 2002]

### Draft Statutory Rule subject to approval by Resolution

That the draft Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2002 be approved.

[Minister of Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

### Draft Statutory Rule subject to approval by Resolution

That the draft Fair Employment (Monitoring) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 be approved.

[First Minister]  
[Deputy First Minister]  
[Tabled 24 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

### Statutory Rule subject to Affirmative Resolution

That the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2002 (SR 183/2002) be affirmed.

[Junior Ministers]  
[Tabled 24 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

### Private Hire Vehicles (Carriage of Guide Dogs, Etc) Bill

That this Assembly endorses the application to Northern Ireland of the amendments to the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 contained in the Private Hire Vehicles (Carriage of Guide Dogs, Etc) Bill.

[Minister of the Environment]  
[Tabled 25 June 2002]  
[OP 62/01 – 2 July 2002]

Regional Transportation Strategy for Northern Ireland, 2002-2012

That this Assembly approves the strategic direction and underlying principles of the Regional Transportation Strategy for Northern Ireland, 2002-2012.

[Minister for Regional Development]  
[Tabled 25 June 2002]  
[OP 63/01 – 3 July 2002]

Water Resource Strategy 2002-2030

That this Assembly takes note of the Proposed Water Resource Strategy 2002-2030 Public Consultation Document.

[Minister for Regional Development]  
[Tabled 25 June 2002]  
[OP 63/01 – 3 July 2002]

**COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

Ad Hoc Committee

That, pursuant to Standing Order 49(7), this Assembly appoints an Ad Hoc Committee to consider –

- (a) The proposal for a draft Criminal Injuries Compensation (NI) Order; and
- (b) The draft Northern Ireland Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme,

referred by the Secretary of State and to submit a report to the Assembly by 27 November 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]  
[Tabled 4 September 2001]  
[OP 01/01- 10 September 2001]

### Committee Membership

That Mr Kieran McCarthy shall replace Mr David Ford on the Business Committee.

[Mr D Ford]  
[Tabled 6 September 2001]  
[OP 01/01- 10 September 2001]

### Titanic Quarter Leases

That this Assembly takes note of the report of the Regional Development Committee's Inquiry (1/01) into Belfast Harbour Commissioners' allocation and variation of leases and connected transactions within the Harbour Estate and the extent to which they have served the public interest.

[Chairperson, Committee for Regional Development]  
[Tabled 3 September 2001]  
[OP 03/01 – 17 September 2001]

### Extension of Committee Stage – Game Preservation (Amendment) Bill (NIA Bill 15/00)

That, in accordance with Standing Order 31(5), the period referred to in Standing Order 31(3) be extended to 29 October 2001 in relation to the Committee Stage of the Game Preservation (Amendment) Bill (NIA Bill 15/00).

[Chairperson, Committee for the Environment]  
[Tabled 10 September 2002]  
[OP 03/01 – 17 September 2001]

### Change of Committee Membership

That Mr Billy Armstrong shall replace Mr Duncan Shipley Dalton on the Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment.

[Mr J Wilson]  
[Tabled 17 September 2001]  
[OP 05/01 – 24 September 2001]

### Extension of Committee Stage – Industrial Development Bill (NIA Bill 18/00)

That, in accordance with Standing Order 31(3), the period referred to in Standing Order 31(5) be extended to 23 November 2001 in relation to the Committee Stage of the Industrial Development Bill (NIA Bill 18/00).

[Chairperson, Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment]  
[Tabled 19 September 2001]  
[OP 07/01 – 1 October 2001]

Report from Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development  
'Inquiry into the Livestock and Meat Commission'

That this Assembly takes note of the Report from the Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development on its Inquiry into the Livestock and Meat Commission (1/01R).

[Chairperson, Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development]  
[Tabled 21 September 2001]  
[OP 09/01 – 9 October 2001]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 52, delete all and insert:“

**52. SUB COMMITTEES**

- (1) Each Committee (“the parent Committee”), in the discharge of its functions, may establish sub-Committees.
- (2) Unless with the approval of the Business Committee and the Assembly, a parent Committee shall establish no more than one sub-Committee to operate at any one time.
- (3) A sub-Committee shall be appointed to consider specific, time-bounded matters within the terms of reference set by the parent Committee and shall:
  - (a) report only to that Committee; and
  - (b) stand dissolved on disposal of those matters.
- (4) A sub-Committee shall not take any decision on behalf of the parent Committee.
- (5) A parent Committee may appoint a member to be the Convenor of a sub-Committee.
- (6) Each sub-Committee shall, in as far as is practicable, reflect the party strengths in the Assembly.
- (7) The quorum of a sub-Committee shall be determined by the parent Committee.
- (8) The proceedings of a sub-Committee shall be such as the parent Committee shall determine.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 1 October 2001]  
[OP 09/01 – 9 October 2001]

Amendments to ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’

In the Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members delete paragraph 3 and insert:

“The Guide is divided into four sections dealing with (1) Registration of Interests (paragraphs 8 to 37); (2) Declaration of Interests (paragraphs 38 to 53); (3) the Advocacy Rule (paragraphs 54 to 64) and (4) Procedure for Complaints (paragraphs 65 to 74).”

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]  
[Tabled 27 September 2001]  
[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

Amendments to ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’

In the ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’ delete paragraph 10 and insert:

“After an election to the Assembly, Members are required to complete a registration form and submit it to the Clerk of Standards within three months of taking their seats in accordance with Standing Orders. For Members returned at a by-election the time limit is also three months from the date on which they take their seats. Members taking their seats in accordance with section 35 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 must also complete a registration form within three months of taking their seats. After the initial publication of the Register, (or, in the case of Members returned at by-elections or in accordance with section 35 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, after their initial registration) it is the responsibility of Members to notify changes in their registrable interests within four weeks of each change occurring.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]  
[Tabled 27 September 2001]  
[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

Amendments to ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’

In the ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’ delete paragraph 33 and insert:

“Members are required to register unremunerated directorships, eg directorships of charitable trusts, professional bodies, learned societies or sporting or artistic organisations, where such a body might directly benefit from public funds or from a decision taken by the Northern Ireland Assembly. Where a Member considers that an unremunerated interest, other than a directorship, which the Member holds might be thought by others to influence his or her actions in a similar manner to a remunerated interest, such an interest should be registered here.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]  
[Tabled 27 September 2001]  
[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

Amendments to ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’

In the ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’ delete paragraph 67 and insert:

“Communications between a Member of the Assembly and the Clerk of Standards and between a member of the public and the Clerk of Standards are not covered by Assembly privilege under section 50 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 nor are they privileged at law. However, should the Commissioner for Standards decide to investigate a complaint, that investigation is privileged. Once the Commissioner reports his findings to the Committee, the proceedings of the Committee in relation to the report are privileged. The privilege attaching to an investigation by the Commissioner and the related proceedings of the Committee do not extend to include allegations made in the original complaint.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]

[Tabled 27 September 2001]

[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

Amendments to ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’

In the ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’ delete paragraph 68 and insert:

“All complaints submitted to the Clerk of Standards will be referred by him to the Commissioner for Standards for initial and, if appropriate, detailed investigation. The receipt of a complaint by the Clerk of Standards or the Committee on Standards and Privileges is not to be interpreted as an indication that a prima facie case has been established.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]

[Tabled 27 September 2001]

[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

Amendments to ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’

In the ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’ delete paragraph 69 and insert:

“When the Commissioner considers a complaint and concludes that no further investigation is necessary, he will report accordingly to the Committee through the Clerk of Standards.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]

[Tabled 27 September 2001]

[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

Amendments to ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’

In the ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’ delete paragraph 70 and insert:

“On completion of a detailed investigation into a complaint against a Member, the Commissioner shall submit a report to the Committee on Standards and Privileges.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]  
[Tabled 27 September 2001]  
[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

Amendments to ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’

In the ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’ delete paragraph 71 and insert:

“If the Committee on Standards and Privileges decides to adopt the findings and conclusions of a detailed report, as mentioned in paragraph 70, that report shall be submitted to the Assembly as part of a report of the Committee on Standards and Privileges.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]  
[Tabled 27 September 2001]  
[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

Amendments to ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’

In the ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’ delete paragraph 72 and insert:

“Where the report submitted to the Assembly in accordance with paragraph 71 deals with any matter mentioned in paragraphs 8 to 64 of this guide, it may contain a recommendation that the Member be excluded from proceedings of the Assembly for a specified period and have his/her rights and privileges as a Member withdrawn for that period.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]  
[Tabled 27 September 2001]  
[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]



Amendments to ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’

In the ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’ insert new paragraph 73:

“The Committee on Standards and Privileges has power under Standing Orders to send for persons, papers and records, to order the attendance of any Member before it and to require that specific documents in the possession of a Member relating to its inquiries or to the inquiries of the Commissioner for Standards be laid before it.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]  
[Tabled 27 September 2001]  
[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

Amendments to ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’

In the ‘Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members’ insert new paragraph 74:

“While it will be usual for the Committee on Standards and Privileges to deliberate in private, the Committee determines for itself whether sessions at which evidence is to be taken shall be held publicly or in private and is empowered to refuse leave for the broadcasting of any public sessions.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Standards and Privileges]  
[Tabled 27 September 2001]  
[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

Report from Committee for Employment and Learning  
‘Inquiry into Education and Training for Industry’

That this Assembly takes note of the report from the Committee for Employment and Learning ‘Inquiry into Education and Training for Industry’ (1/01R).

[Chairman, Committee for Employment and Learning]  
[Tabled 2 October 2001]  
[OP 10/01 – 15 October 2001]

Extension of Committee Stage –  
Local Government (Best Value) Bill (NIA Bill 19/00)

That, in accordance with Standing Order 31(5), the period referred to in Standing Order 31(3) be extended to 14 December 2001, for the Committee Stage of the Local Government (Best Value) Bill (NIA Bill 19/00).

[Chairperson, Committee for the Environment]  
[Tabled 11 October 2001]  
[OP 11/01 – 22 October 2001]

Report by Committee for Education –  
'Review of Post-Primary Education in Northern Ireland'

That this Assembly takes note of the report prepared by the Committee for Education on the 'Review of Post-Primary Education in Northern Ireland' (1/01R).

[Chairperson, Committee for Education]  
[Tabled 15 October 2001]  
[OP 11/01 – 22 October 2001]

Draft Budget Statement

That this Assembly takes note of the Draft Budget announced on 25 September 2001 by the Minister of Finance and Personnel.

[Chairperson, Committee for Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 22 October 2001]  
[OP 13/01 – 5 November 2001]

Suspend Standing Orders

That this Assembly suspends Standing Order 10(2) and Standing Order 10(6) for Monday 5 November 2001.

[Chairperson, Committee for Finance and Personnel]  
[Tabled 26 October 2001]  
[OP 13/01 - 5 November 2001]

Committee Membership – Business Committee

That Mr Maurice Morrow should replace Mr Nigel Dodds MP on the Business Committee.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 02 November 2001]  
[OP 13/01 – 5 November 2001]

Report by the Committee for Social Development  
'First Report of the Inquiry into Housing in Northern Ireland'

That this Assembly takes note of the report prepared by the Committee for Social Development 'First Report of the Inquiry into Housing in Northern Ireland' (2/01R).

[Chairperson, Committee for Social Development]  
[Tabled 25 October 2001]  
[OP 15/01 – 12 November 2001]

### Committee Membership – Employment and Learning

That Mr Gregory Campbell MP should replace Mr Roger Hutchinson on the Committee for Employment and Learning.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 2 November 2001]  
[OP 15/01 – 12 November 2001]

### Committee Membership – Finance and Personnel

That Mr Roger Hutchinson and Mr Maurice Morrow should replace Mr Nigel Dodds MP and Mr Peter Robinson MP on the Committee for Finance and Personnel.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 2 November 2001]  
[OP 15/01 – 12 November 2001]

### Committee Membership – Regional Development

That Mr Mark Robinson should replace Mr Jim Wells on the Committee for Regional Development.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 2 November 2001]  
[OP 15/01 – 12 November 2001]

### Committee Membership – Committee on Procedures

That Mr Maurice Morrow should replace Mr Nigel Dodds MP on the Committee on Procedures.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 2 November 2001]  
[OP 15/01 – 12 November 2001]

### Motion – Ad Hoc Committee

That, pursuant to Standing Order 49(7), this Assembly appoints an Ad Hoc Committee to consider –

- (a) The proposal for a draft Justice (Northern Ireland) Bill; and
- (b) The Criminal Justice Review Implementation Plan,

referred by the Secretary of State and to submit a report to the Assembly by 11 December 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.

[Dr Alasdair McDonnell]  
[Tabled 13 November 2001]  
[OP 17/01 – 19 November 2001]

### Salary of the Comptroller and Auditor General (NI)

That the annual salary of the Comptroller and Auditor General (NI) shall be increased to £105,893 with effect from 26 November 2001.

[Chairperson, Audit Committee]  
[Tabled 19 November 2001]  
[OP 19/01 – 26 November 2001]

### Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Criminal Injuries Compensation

That this Assembly notes the Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Criminal Injuries Compensation, established by resolution on 10 September 2001, and agrees that it be submitted to the Secretary of State as a Report of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

[Chairperson, Ad Hoc Committee]  
[Tabled 19 November 2001]  
[OP 19/01 – 26 November 2001]

## Ad Hoc Committee Report

That this Assembly agrees that the date for the report of the Ad Hoc Committee set up to consider –

- (a) the proposal for a draft Justice (Northern Ireland) Bill; and
- (b) the Criminal Justice Review Implementation Plan

be changed from 11 December 2001 to 14 January 2002.

[Chairperson, Ad Hoc Committee]  
[Tabled 27 November 2001]  
[OP 20/01 – 3 December 2001]

## Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Criminal Justice Reform

That this Assembly notes the Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Criminal Justice Reform (02/01/R), established by resolution on 19 November 2001, and agrees that it be submitted to the Secretary of State as a Report of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

[Chairperson, Ad Hoc Committee]  
[Tabled 10 December 2001]  
[OP 24/01 – 14 January 2002]

## Extension of Committee Stage – Personal Social Services (Amendment) Bill (NIA Bill 1/01)

That, in accordance with Standing Order 31(5), the period referred to in Standing Order 31(3) be extended to 28 February 2002, in relation to the Committee Stage of the Personal Social Services (Amendment) Bill (NIA Bill 1/01).

[Chairperson, Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety]  
[Tabled 14 December 2001]  
[OP 24/01 – 14 January 2002]

## Public Accounts Committee Report to the Assembly

That this Assembly takes note of the Public Accounts Committee ‘Composite Report on Issues dealt with by Correspondence by the Committee’ (3/01/R) and of the Committee Reports (1/99/R, 1/00/R to 6/00/R and 1/01/R to 2/01/R) and the Department of Finance and Personnel Memoranda of Reply (NIA 22/00, 32/00, 37/00, 51/00, 59/00, 92/00, 99/00 27/01 and 29/01).

[Chairperson, Public Accounts Committee]  
[Tabled 7 December 2001]  
[OP 25/01 – 15 January 2002]

## Common Funding Formula

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Education to take full account of the issues raised and recommendations made in the report prepared by the Committee for Education on the Proposals for a Common Funding Formula for Grant-Aided Schools in Northern Ireland.

[Chairperson, Committee for Education]  
[Tabled 10 December 2001]  
[OP 25/01 – 15 January 2002]

## Committee Membership – Health, Social Services and Public Safety

That Ms Annie Courtney replace Ms Carmel Hanna on the Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety.

[Mr J Tierney]  
[Dr A McDonnell]  
[Tabled 15 January 2002]  
[OP 26/01 – 21 January 2002]

## Committee Membership – Environment

That Ms Patricia Lewsley replace Ms Carmel Hanna on the Committee for the Environment.

[Mr J Tierney]  
[Dr A McDonnell]  
[Tabled 15 January 2002]  
[OP 26/01 – 21 January 2002]

## Committee Membership – Business Committee

That Mr John Tierney replace Mr Eddie McGrady MP as a member of the Business Committee.

[Dr A McDonnell]  
[Tabled 22 January 2002]  
[OP 28/01 – 28 January 2002]

## Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 48, delete ‘Statutory’ from the title and in line 3, delete ‘Statutory’;  
and

in Standing Order 31(2) line 4, delete all after ‘otherwise’ and insert:

‘and the provisions of this Standing Order and of Standing Order 33 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, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 28 January 2002]  
[OP 29/01 – 4 February 2002]

## Re-number Standing Orders

Re-number Standing Orders 48-54 and 56-59 so that:

49 becomes 48  
53 becomes 49  
54 becomes 50  
56 becomes 51  
57 becomes 52  
58 becomes 53  
59 becomes 54  
50 becomes 56  
51 becomes 57  
52 becomes 58  
48 becomes 59

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 28 January 2002]  
[OP 29/01 – 4 February 2002]

### Committee Membership – Environment

That Mr Francie Molloy replace Mr Mitchel McLaughlin on the Committee for the Environment.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Tabled 29 January 2002]  
[OP 29/01 – 4 February 2002]

### Committee Membership – Agriculture and Rural Development

That Mr Mick Murphy replace Mr Francie Molloy on the Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Tabled 29 January 2002]  
[OP 29/01 – 4 February 2002]

### Committee Membership – Culture, Arts and Leisure

That Mr John Kelly replace Mr Barry McElduff on the Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Tabled 29 January 2002]  
[OP 29/01 – 4 February 2002]

Report by Committee of the Centre  
'Report into the proposal to record the return of postal ballot papers'

That this Assembly approves the report of the Committee of the Centre 'Report into the proposal to record the return of postal ballot papers' (01/01R) and agrees that it be submitted to the Department for Transport, Local Government and the Regions as a report of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

[Chairperson, Committee of the Centre]  
[Tabled 31 January 2002]  
[OP 31/01 – 12 February 2002]

Committee Membership – Business Committee

That Mr P J Bradley replace Dr Alasdair McDonnell on the Business Committee.

[Mr J Tierney]  
[Tabled 05 February 2002]  
[OP 31/01 – 12 February 2002]

Committee Membership - Enterprise, Trade and Investment

That Mr Eugene McMenemy replace Mr Alex Attwood as a member of the Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment.

[Mr J Tierney]  
[Tabled 12 February 2002]  
[OP 32/01 – 18 February 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee of the Centre

That Mr Barry McElduff replace Ms Michelle Gildernew as a member of the Committee of the Centre.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Tabled 15 February 2002]  
[OP 35/01 – 26 February 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee on Procedures

That Rev Dr William McCrea replace Mr Ian Paisley Jnr as a member of the Committee on Procedures.

[Mr M Morrow]  
[Tabled 18 February 2002]  
[OP 35/01 – 26 February 2002]



## Review of the Legislative Process

That this Assembly notes the findings contained in the First Report of the Committee on Procedures: ‘Review of the Legislative Process in the Northern Ireland Assembly’ (Report 01/01R) and endorses the recommendations contained therein.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 18 February 2002]  
[OP 35/01 – 26 February 2002]

## Report on the Energy Inquiry

That this Assembly approves the report of the Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment on their inquiry into the Energy Report (3/01R) and calls on the Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment to implement the Committee’s recommendations at the earliest opportunity.

[Chairperson, Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment]  
[Tabled 15 February 2002]  
[OP 37/01 – 5 March 2002]

## Amend Standing Orders

After Standing Order 73 insert:

### **“74. APPOINTMENTS TO THE ASSEMBLY COMMISSION**

- (1) The Assembly shall by resolution appoint the prescribed number of Members of the Assembly to be members of the Commission.
- (2) Appointments under paragraph (1) shall be made within 28 days after the first sitting of the Assembly after dissolution.
- (3) Any resolution under this Standing Order shall require cross-community support.
- (4) In the event of a vacancy occurring, the Speaker shall, as soon as may be possible, inform the Assembly of the vacancy. Any vacancy shall be filled by resolution of the Assembly within 28 sitting days of the vacancy occurring.
- (5) A person shall not be eligible for appointment as a member of the Commission if he/she holds a relevant office.
- (6) Where a Member of the Assembly is appointed to a relevant office he/she shall forthwith cease to be a member of the Commission.
- (7) A Commissioner may at any time resign by giving notice in writing to the Speaker.

- (8) In this Standing Order a relevant office means a Minister, a junior Minister or a Chairperson or Deputy Chairperson of:
- (a) a Statutory Committee;
  - (b) the Public Accounts Committee;
  - (c) the Audit Committee.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 25 February 2002]  
[OP 37/01 – 5 March 2002]

#### Second Report of the Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety

That this Assembly approves the Second Report of the Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety (2/01R) on the Delivery of Cancer Services in Northern Ireland and calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to implement the Report’s recommendations at the earliest opportunity.

[Chairperson, Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety]  
[Tabled 15 February 2002]  
[OP 37/01 – 5 March 2002]

#### Committee Membership – Committee for Finance and Personnel

That Mr Roy Beggs replace Mr James Leslie as a member of the Committee for Finance and Personnel.

[Mr I Davis]  
[Tabled 25 February 2002]  
[OP 37/01 – 5 March 2002]

#### Committee Membership – Business Committee

That Mr David McClarty replace Mr Jim Wilson as a member of the Business Committee.

[Mr I Davis]  
[Tabled 25 February 2002]  
[OP 37/01 – 5 March 2002]

#### Committee Membership – Standards and Privileges

That Mr Derek Hussey replace Mr Roy Beggs as a member of the Standards and Privileges Committee.

[Mr I Davis]  
[Tabled 25 February 2002]  
[OP 37/01 – 5 March 2002]

### Committee Membership – Committee on Procedures

That Rev Dr William McCrea replace Mr Ian Paisley Jnr as a member of the Committee on Procedures.

[Mr M Morrow]  
[Tabled 25 February 2002]  
[OP 37/01 – 5 March 2002]

### Primary Care

That this Assembly expresses its grave concern about the future of primary care services in Northern Ireland and calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to take prompt action to allay the serious concerns of the professions and staff working in Health and Social Services about the arrangements for local health and social care groups.

[Chairperson, Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety]  
[Tabled 25 February 2002]  
[OP 39/01 – 11 March 2002]

### Committee Membership – Committee of the Centre

That Mr Duncan Shipley Dalton replace Mr Fred Cobain as a member of the Committee of the Centre.

[Mr I Davis]  
[Tabled 4 March 2002]  
[OP 39/01 – 11 March 2002]

### Committee Membership – Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety

That Mr Tom Hamilton replace Mr Alan McFarland as a member of the Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety.

[Mr I Davis]  
[Tabled 4 March 2002]  
[OP 39/01 – 11 March 2002]

### Committee Membership – Committee of the Centre

That Mr Danny Kennedy replace Mr James Leslie as a member of the Committee of the Centre.

[Mr I Davis]  
[Tabled 4 March 2002]  
[OP 39/01 – 11 March 2002]

“Towards Supporting People Fund”

That this Assembly expresses serious concern about the implications of introducing a new system for funding housing support costs and calls on the Minister for Social Development to secure commitments from the Executive to ensure that financial allocations for the “Towards Supporting People Fund”, due to be introduced in April 2003, are guaranteed and will be maintained at levels not less than currently provided through housing benefit.

[Chairperson, Committee for Social Development]

[Tabled 25 February 2002]

[OP 41/01 – 19 March 2002]

Extension of Committee Stage – Railway Safety Bill (NIA Bill 3/01)

That, in accordance with Standing Order 31(5), the period referred to in Standing Order 31(3) be extended to 24 May 2002, in relation to the Committee Stage of the Railway Safety Bill (NIA Bill 3/01).

[Chairperson, Committee for Regional Development]

[Tabled 11 March 2002]

[OP 41/01 – 19 March 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 52(4)(c) delete all at sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) and insert:

- ‘(i) any Code of Conduct to which the Assembly has agreed; or
- (ii) any Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members approved by the Assembly.’

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 5 March 2002]

[OP 43/01 – 8 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 64(5) line 5 delete ‘14 December 1999’ and insert ‘15 October 2001’.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 5 March 2002]

[OP 43/01 – 8 April 2002]

### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 64(6) lines 2 and 3 delete:

‘has failed to comply with, or has contravened any provision of this Order,’

and insert:

‘has failed to comply with any provision of this Order or any Code of Conduct agreed by the Assembly,’

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 5 March 2002]

[OP 43/01 – 8 April 2002]

### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 64(7) line 1 delete ‘contain’ and insert ‘include’.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 5 March 2002]

[OP 43/01 – 8 April 2002]

### Report of the Committee of the Centre: ‘Approach of the Northern Ireland Assembly and the Devolved Government on European Issues’

That this Assembly notes the recommendations outlined in the report of the Committee of the Centre on its Inquiry into the ‘Approach of the Northern Ireland Assembly and the Devolved Government on European Union Issues’ (02/01/R) and calls on the First Minister and Deputy First Minister to implement the relevant recommendations.

[Chairperson, Committee of the Centre]

[Tabled 14 March 2002]

[OP 43/01 – 8 April 2002]

### Committee Membership – Committee for the Environment

That Mr William Armstrong replace Mr James Leslie as a member of the Committee for the Environment.

[Mr I Davis]

[Tabled 19 March 2002]

[OP 43/01 – 8 April 2002]

Report of the Committee for the Environment:  
School Transport Inquiry

That this Assembly approves the Report of the Committee for the Environment on its Inquiry into Transport used for children travelling to and from school (1/01R) and calls on the Minister of the Environment to ensure urgent evaluation, and to take full account of, the recommendations.

[Chairperson, Committee for the Environment]  
[Tabled 11 March 2002]  
[OP 44/01 – 15 April 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee for Employment and Learning

That Dr Ian Adamson replace Mr Roy Beggs Jnr as a member of the Committee for Employment and Learning.

[Mr I Davis]  
[Tabled 8 April 2002]  
[OP 44/01 – 15 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 25(1)(a) line 2 delete “or Standing Order 72 provides” and insert “or Standing Orders provide”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 11 April 2002]  
[OP 46/01 – 23 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 25(1) line 12 and line 13 delete “Such decisions shall require cross-community support” and insert:

“Such decisions mentioned in sub-paragraph (b) shall require cross-community support within the meaning of Section 4(5) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 11 April 2002]  
[OP 46/01 - 23 April 2002]

## Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 40(3) delete all and insert:

- “(3) Where, exceptionally, a Bill (other than a Budget Bill) is thought to require accelerated passage, which shall exclude any Committee Stage, the Member in charge of the Bill shall, before introduction of the Bill in the Assembly, explain to the appropriate Committee:
- (a) the reason or reasons for accelerated passage;
  - (b) the consequences of accelerated passage not being granted; and, if appropriate,
  - (c) any steps he/she has taken to minimise the future use of the accelerated passage procedure.
- (4) Before Second Stage the Member in charge of the Bill shall move a motion That the ....Bill proceed under the accelerated passage procedure”.

In moving the motion the Member shall explain to the Assembly:

- (a) the reason or reasons for accelerated passage;
- (b) the consequences of accelerated passage not being granted; and, if appropriate,
- (c) any steps he/she has taken to minimise the future use of the accelerated passage procedure.

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]

[Tabled 11 April 2002]

[OP 46/01 - 23 April 2002]

## Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 29(d) delete all and insert:

- “(d) Further Consideration Stage: an opportunity for Members to consider and vote on amendments proposed to the Bill.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 11 April 2002]

[OP 46/01 - 23 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 33(14) line 1 and line 3 delete “Further”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 11 April 2002]  
[OP 46/01 - 23 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 33(15) line 1 delete “Further”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 11 April 2002]  
[OP 46/01 - 23 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 33(16) line 2 delete “Further”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 11 April 2002]  
[OP 46/01 - 23 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 33(16) line 3 delete “Final Stage” and insert “Further Consideration Stage”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 11 April 2002]  
[OP 46/01 - 23 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 33 after paragraph (16) insert:

- “(17) If such a motion is agreed to after the Further Consideration Stage of the Bill has begun but before that stage has been completed, the Further Consideration Stage shall be adjourned until an Ad Hoc Committee on Conformity with Equality Requirements reports to the Assembly.
- (18) On resuming an adjourned Further Consideration Stage, the Assembly may, instead of considering the remaining amendments in the order in which the relevant clauses or schedules stand in the Bill, on a motion moved by the Member in charge of the Bill decide to consider them in a different order, and to consider again and amend, provisions of the Bill which have already been agreed, and to consider new clauses and schedules even if the time for considering them has passed.



- (19) If such a motion is agreed to after the end of the Further Consideration Stage of a Bill, no date shall be determined for the Final Stage of the Bill until an Ad Hoc Committee on Conformity with Equality Requirements reports to the Assembly.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 11 April 2002]

[OP 46/01 - 23 April 2002]

#### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 35 delete all and insert:

#### **“35. PUBLIC BILLS: FURTHER CONSIDERATION STAGE**

- (1) Any amendments proposed to be made to a Bill at Further Consideration Stage shall be deposited with the Clerk in time for inclusion on a Notice Paper circulated on a day before the day appointed for the Further Consideration Stage, and shall be arranged in the order in which the Bill is to be considered; provided, however, that at the discretion of the Speaker, amendments may be moved in very exceptional circumstances without such notice.
- (2) During proceedings at Further Consideration Stage, debate and vote shall be confined to those amendments which have been selected. The amendments shall be considered in the order in which the relevant clauses or schedules stand in the Bill.
- (3) Any amendments selected which relate to the long title shall be considered after those relating to the clauses and schedules of the Bill.
- (4) Members may speak more than once in debate during the Further Consideration Stage.
- (5) At the conclusion of the debate on the Further Consideration Stage the Bill shall stand referred to the Speaker.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 11 April 2002]

[OP 46/01 – 23 April 2002]

#### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 31(3) line 3 delete “calendar days” and insert “working days”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 11 April 2002]

[OP 46/01 - 23 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 31(5) line 1 delete “of thirty days”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 11 April 2002]

[OP 46/01 – 23 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 33(5) line 8 after “thirty” insert “working”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 11 April 2002]

[OP 46/01 – 23 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 33(7) line 7 after “thirty” insert “working”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 11 April 2002]

[OP 46/01 – 23 April 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 40(1) delete all and insert:

“(1) There shall be a minimum interval of five working days between each stage of a Bill, save in the following cases:

- (a) between Second Stage and Committee Stage; and
- (b) where a Bill is subject to the accelerated passage procedure in accordance with paragraph (2) or (4).”

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 11 April 2002]

[OP 46/01 – 23 April 2002]

Extension of Committee Stage –  
Health and Personal Social Services Bill (NIA Bill 6/01)

That, in accordance with Standing Order 31(5), the period referred to in Standing Order 31(3) be extended to 7 June 2002, in relation to the Committee Stage of the Health and Personal Social Services Bill (NIA Bill 6/01).

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

[Tabled 22 April 2002]

[OP 47/01 – 29 April 2002]



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 I Davis]  
[Tabled 10 May 2002]  
[OP 49/01 – 13 May 2002]

#### Committee Membership – Committee for Employment and Learning

That Mr Arthur Doherty replace Mr Joe Byrne as a member of the Committee for Employment and Learning.

[Mr J Tierney]  
[Mr P J Bradley]  
[Tabled 7 May 2002]  
[OP 50/01 – 20 May 2002]

#### Committee Membership – Committee for Education

That Mr Alban Maginness replace Ms Patricia Lewsley as a member of the Committee for Education.

[Mr J Tierney]  
[Mr P J Bradley]  
[Tabled 7 May 2002]  
[OP 50/01 – 20 May 2002]

#### Report by Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development

‘Preparation for the next Phase of the Rural Development Programme 2001-2006’

That this Assembly endorses the report of the Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development on its inquiry into ‘Preparation for the next Phase of the Rural Development Programme 2001-2006’ (2/01R), and calls on the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development to implement those recommendations relevant to her Department.

[Chairperson, Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development]  
[Deputy Chairperson, Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development]  
[Tabled 10 May 2002]  
[OP 50/01 – 20 May 2002]

## Ad Hoc Committee

That, pursuant to Standing Order 48(7), this Assembly appoints an Ad Hoc Committee to consider –

The Proposal for a Draft Access to Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 2002

referred by the Secretary of State, on behalf of the Lord Chancellor, and to submit a report to the Assembly by 2 July 2002.

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.

[Ms M McWilliams]  
[Tabled 13 May 2002]  
[OP 51/01 – 21 May 2002]

## Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 12(1) delete “41(2)” and insert “41(8)”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 13 May 2002]  
[OP 52/01 – 27 May 2002]

## Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 41 delete all and insert:

### “41. SCRUTINY OF STATUTORY RULES

- (1) Every statutory rule or draft statutory rule which:
  - (a) is laid before the Assembly; and
  - (b) is subject to Assembly proceedings,shall stand referred to the appropriate Committee for scrutiny.
- (2) The appropriate Committee may also scrutinise any statutory rule which:
  - (a) deals with a transferred matter (within the meaning of the Northern Ireland Act 1998); and

- (b) is not subject to Assembly proceedings,
- whether or not the statutory rule is laid before the Assembly.
- (3) To assist Committees in the scrutiny of instruments under this Standing Order there shall be an officer of the Assembly known as the Examiner of Statutory Rules who shall carry out any functions delegated to him/her under paragraph (4)(b).
- (4) The appropriate Committee may:
- (a) scrutinise the instrument itself; or
  - (b) delegate to the Examiner of Statutory Rules any of its functions in relation to the technical scrutiny of the instrument.
- (5) Where a Committee has delegated functions to the Examiner of Statutory Rules under paragraph (4)(b), references to the Committee in the following provisions of this Standing Order, in relation to functions so delegated, include references to the Examiner.
- (6) In scrutinising an instrument the appropriate Committee shall inter alia consider the instrument with a view to determining and reporting on whether it requires to be drawn to the special attention of the Assembly on any of the following grounds, namely, that:
- (a) it imposes a charge on the public revenues or prescribes the amount of any such charge;
  - (b) it contains provisions requiring any payment to be made to any Northern Ireland department or public body in respect of any approval, authorisation, licence or consent or of any service provided or to be provided by that department or body or prescribes the amount of any such payment;
  - (c) the parent legislation excludes it from challenge in the courts;
  - (d) it purports to have retrospective effect where the parent legislation confers no express authority so to provide;
  - (e) there appears to have been unjustifiable delay in the publication of it or in the laying of it before the Assembly;
  - (f) there appears to be a doubt whether it is intra vires or it appears to make some unusual or unexpected use of the powers conferred by the parent legislation;
  - (g) it calls for elucidation;

(h) it appears to have defects in its drafting;

or on any other ground which does not impinge on its merits or on the policy behind it.

(7) The appropriate Committee shall where practicable report on an instrument before any resolution or motion relating to that instrument is moved in the Assembly.

(8) In this Standing Order:

“Committee” means:

(a) a Statutory Committee; or

(b) in the case of an instrument 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;

“instrument” means a statutory rule or a draft statutory rule;

“the parent legislation”, in relation to an instrument, means the legislation under which the instrument is made or is to be made;

“statutory rule” has the same meaning as in the Statutory Rules (Northern Ireland) Order 1979.

(9) For the purposes of this Standing Order a statutory rule or draft statutory rule is subject to Assembly proceedings if, in pursuance of the parent legislation, proceedings may be taken in the Assembly in relation to it.”

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 13 May 2002]

[OP 52/01 – 27 May 2002]

#### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 54(2) delete “41(2)” and insert “41(8)”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 13 May 2002]

[OP 52/01 – 27 May 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee for Employment and Learning

That Mr David Hilditch replace Mr William Hay as a member of the Committee for Employment and Learning.

[Mr M Morrow]  
[Mr P Berry]  
[Tabled 22 May 2002]  
[OP 52/01 – 27 May 2002]

Report of the Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure –  
Inquiry into Cultural Tourism and the Arts

That this Assembly approves the Report of the Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure on its Inquiry into Cultural Tourism and the Arts, and calls on the Executive to ensure that the Committee's recommendations are evaluated and implemented at the earliest opportunity.

[Chairperson, Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure]  
[Tabled 27 May 2002]  
[OP 56/01 – 11 June 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

Delete Standing Order 10 and insert new Standing Order:

**10. SITTINGS AND ADJOURNMENTS OF THE ASSEMBLY**

(1) The categories of business to be conducted in the Assembly shall consist of the following:

- (a) Assembly Business
- (b) Executive Committee Business
- (c) Committee Business
- (d) Questions
- (e) Private Members' Business
- (f) Private Business
- (g) Adjournment Debates
- (h) Party Business.

(2) Subject to the authority of the Business Committee to determine the time for commencement of business in plenary session the sittings of the Assembly shall be arranged as follows:

Monday	12.00 midday – 6.00 pm
Tuesday	10.30 am – 6.00 pm

The allocation of time for business within these sittings shall be determined by the Business Committee, except that:



- (a) on each Monday on which there is a sitting there shall be a period for Questions commencing at 2.30 pm and finishing at 4.00 pm;
  - (b) at the end of each sitting up to one hour may be set aside for an Adjournment Debate;
  - (c) any private notice questions shall normally be asked immediately before the Adjournment Debate.
- (3) Where business on the Order Paper has not been disposed of by 6.00 pm on Monday, the Speaker may allow business to continue until 7.00 pm or until the outstanding business is completed, whichever is earlier. Consideration of business on the Order Paper not concluded by 7.00 pm shall be postponed until such a time as the Business Committee determines.
- (4) If at 7.00 pm a division is in progress, or a question is being put and a division or a vote in the chamber results, adjournment of the Assembly shall be deferred until after the declaration of the result of the division or vote in the chamber.
- (5) If Tuesday's business cannot be completed in the allocated time, the sitting may be extended into the evening, into Wednesday, or both.
- (6) Additional sittings may be arranged by the Business Committee according to the exigencies of the Assembly.
- (7) Where statements made under Standing Order 18 impinge upon the time bands specified in this Standing Order the Speaker shall take action under Standing Order 18(5).
- (8) An adjournment of the Assembly shall mean an adjournment until the next sitting day unless the Assembly, on a motion made by a Member of the Executive Committee after notice, has ordered an adjournment to some other definite date.
- (9) A Session of the Assembly shall be that period from the commencement of business following the Summer Recess until the end of the subsequent Summer Recess. The Business Committee shall determine the dates for recess.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]  
[Tabled 29 May 2002]  
[OP 56/01 – 11 June 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

**54. COMMITTEE OF THE CENTRE**

In Standing Order 54(1) after paragraph (l) insert:

- (m) Those functions relating to the Planning Appeals Commission and the Water Appeals Commission transferred to the Office of the First Minister and Deputy First Minister by The Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 2001.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 29 May 2002]

[OP 56/01 – 11 June 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

Insert new Standing Order:

**75. OFFICIAL REPORT (Hansard)**

- (1) A substantially verbatim report of the proceedings at all sittings of the Assembly and Committee meetings that form part of the legislative process or at which evidence that will contribute to a report by a Committee is being taken shall be prepared and published. The report shall be known as the Official Report (Hansard) and shall be a record of the proceedings in the language spoken.
- (2) A revised edition of the Official Report (Hansard) for all Assembly sittings and Committee meetings which form part of the legislative process shall be prepared in bound volume form at such times as the Speaker shall determine. Such bound volumes shall also contain written questions and answers for the period covered.
- (3) Editorial control of the Official Report (Hansard) shall rest ultimately with the Speaker but shall be exercised on his behalf by the Editor of Debates.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 29 May 2002]

[OP 56/01 – 11 June 2002]

Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 18(5) line 7 delete “Standing Order 10(3)” and insert:

“Standing Order 10(5)”.

[Chairperson, Committee on Procedures]

[Tabled 5 June 2002]

[OP 56/01 – 11 June 2002]

### Report on the Inquiry into Housing in Northern Ireland

That this Assembly approves the second report of the Committee for Social Development on their inquiry into Housing in Northern Ireland (Homelessness) (3/01/R) and calls on the Executive to consider the report and arrange for the implementation of the Committee's recommendations at the earliest opportunity.

[Chairperson, Committee for Social Development]  
[Deputy Chairperson, Committee for Social Development]  
[Tabled 6 June 2002]  
[OP 58/01 – 18 June 2002]

### First Report of the Northern Ireland Assembly Commission

That this Assembly takes receipt of the First Report of the Northern Ireland Assembly Commission (NIA 102/01).

[Mr J Fee]  
[Ms E Bell]  
[Rev R Coulter]  
[Mr J Wells]  
[Dr D O'Hagan]  
[Members of the Assembly Commission]  
[Tabled 14 June 2002]  
[OP 59/01 – 24 June 2002]

### Report of the Ad hoc Committee on Disqualification Legislation

That this Assembly approves the report of the Ad hoc Committee, which considered the criteria for the disqualification of persons listed under Schedule 1 of the Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975, established by resolution on 13 May 2002, and agrees that it be submitted to the Secretary of State as a report of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

[Chairperson, Ad hoc Committee]  
[Tabled 17 June 2002]  
[OP 59/01 – 24 June 2002]

### Report by the Senior Salaries Review Body

That this Assembly accepts recommendations 2 to 9 set out in the report by the Review Body on Senior Salaries, Report No.52, on the Review of Pay and Allowances and agrees that recommendation 1 should be reviewed at a later date.

[Mr J Fee]  
[Rev R Coulter]  
[Mr J Wells]  
[Ms E Bell]  
[Members of the Assembly Commission]  
[Tabled 10 June 2002]  
[OP 60/01 – 25 June 2002]

### Determination on Salaries

That this Assembly agrees to amend the Northern Ireland Assembly (Members' Salaries) Determination 2000 as follows –

In the Schedule, column (1), paragraph 1, after the words 'Chairperson of any Statutory Committee' insert ', the Public Accounts Committee and the Committee of the Centre'.

[Mr J Fee]  
[Rev R Coulter]  
[Mr J Wells]  
[Ms E Bell]  
[Members of the Assembly Commission]  
[Tabled 10 June 2002]  
[OP 60/01 – 25 June 2002]

### Determination on Allowances

That this Assembly agrees to amend the Northern Ireland Assembly (Members' Allowances) Determination 2000 as follows –

In the Schedule, paragraph 3(2) leave out '£35,756' and insert '£48,000'.

[Mr J Fee]  
[Rev R Coulter]  
[Mr J Wells]  
[Ms E Bell]  
[Members of the Assembly Commission]  
[Tabled 10 June 2002]  
[OP 60/01 – 25 June 2002]

### Determination on Salaries

That this Assembly agrees to amend the Northern Ireland Assembly (Members' Salaries) Determination 2000 as follows –

In paragraph 3(2) line 2 delete 'nine'.

[Mr J Fee]  
[Rev R Coulter]  
[Mr J Wells]  
[Ms E Bell]  
[Members of the Assembly Commission]  
[Tabled 10 June 2002]  
[OP 60/01 – 25 June 2002]

### Financial Assistance for Political Parties Scheme

That, as set out in section 2(4) of the Financial Assistance for Political Parties Act (Northern Ireland) 2000, this Assembly approves the revised scheme laid before the Assembly on 24 June 2002, for payments to political parties for the purpose of assisting Members of the Northern Ireland Assembly who are connected with such parties to perform their Assembly duties.

[Mr J Fee]  
[Rev R Coulter]  
[Mr J Wells]  
[Ms E Bell]  
[Members of the Assembly Commission]  
[Tabled 10 June 2002]  
[OP 60/01 – 25 June 2002]

### Extension of Committee Stage – Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill (NIA Bill 7/01)

That, in accordance with Standing Order 31(5), the period referred to in Standing Order 31(3) be extended to 17 October 2002, in relation to the Committee Stage of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill (NIA Bill 7/01).

[Chairperson, Committee for the Environment]  
[Tabled 13 June 2002]  
[OP 60/01 – 25 June 2002]

### Draft Statutory Rule – Northern Ireland Assembly Allowances

That this Assembly approves the draft Statutory Rule ‘Allowances to Members of the Assembly (Winding Up Allowance) Amendment Order (Northern Ireland) 2002’.

[Mr J Fee]  
[Ms E Bell]  
[Rev R Coulter]  
[Mr J Wells]  
[Members of the Assembly Commission]  
[Tabled 17 June 2002]  
[OP 60/01 – 25 June 2002]

### Committee Membership – Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development

That Mr Pat Doherty replace Mr Mick Murphy as a member of the Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure

That Mr Mick Murphy replace Ms Mary Nelis as a member of the Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee for Education

That Mr Mitchel McLaughlin replace Mr Barry McElduff as a member of the Committee for Education.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee for Employment and Learning

That Mr Barry McElduff replace Mr John Kelly as a member of the Committee for Employment and Learning.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee for Employment and Learning

That Ms Michelle Gildernew replace Ms Mary Nelis as a member of the Committee for Employment and Learning.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee for the Environment

That Ms Mary Nelis replace Mr Mick Murphy as a member of the Committee for the Environment.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee for Social Development

That Ms Mary Nelis replace Ms Michelle Gildernew as a member of the Committee for Social Development.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee of the Centre

That Mr Pat McNamee replace Mr Alex Maskey as a member of the Committee of the Centre.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee of the Centre

That Dr Dara O'Hagan replace Mr Conor Murphy as a member of the Committee of the Centre.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Business Committee

That Ms Sue Ramsey replace Mr Alex Maskey as a member of the Business Committee.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee on Standards and Privileges

That Mr Mick Murphy replace Mr Pat McNamee as a member of the Committee on Standards and Privileges.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Public Accounts Committee

That Mr Conor Murphy replace Ms Sue Ramsey as a member of the Public Accounts Committee.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 21 June 2002]  
[OP 61/01 – 1 July 2002]

Report of the Ad hoc Committee on  
Draft Access to Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 2002

That this Assembly approves the report of the Ad hoc Committee on the proposal for a Draft Access to Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 2002, established by resolution on 21 May 2002, and agrees that it be submitted to the Secretary of State as a report of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

[Chairperson, Ad hoc Committee]  
[Tabled 24 June 2002]  
[OP 62/01 – 2 July 2002]

Committee Membership – Committee for the Environment

That Dr Ian Adamson replace Mr James Leslie as a member of the Committee for the Environment.

[Mr I Davis]  
[Tabled 4 March 2002]

**PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Holy Cross Primary School

That this Assembly supports the right to education of school children attending the Holy Cross Primary School in North Belfast.

[Mr G Kelly]  
[Tabled 4 September 2001]  
[OP 01/01- 10 September 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 4 September 2001]  
[OP 01/01- 10 September 2001]



### Hospital Waiting Lists

That this Assembly views with concern the ever-increasing waiting lists for medical and hospital treatment in our local health services, and requires immediate action to remedy this unacceptable and growing problem.

[Mr E McGrady MP]  
[Tabled 10 September 2002]  
[OP 04/01 – 18 September 2001]

### Paramilitary Activity

That this Assembly deplores the ongoing catalogue of paramilitary activity particularly from groups which are allegedly on cease-fire and which claim to accept the premise that only those committed to the use of exclusively peaceful and democratic means can participate in government in Northern Ireland; and further determines it is inconsistent and intolerable that any party associated with active terrorism continues to hold Executive positions.

[Mr P Robinson MP]  
[Tabled 10 September 2002]  
[OP 04/01 – 18 September 2001]

### Interdepartmental Working Group

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

[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Tabled - 7 September 2001]  
[OP 05/01 – 24 September 2001]

### Fuel Poverty

That this Assembly encourages the Regulator General for Electricity and Gas to contribute to the eradication of fuel poverty by increasing the energy efficiency levy to £5.00 per customer, creating £3.6 million to tackle fuel poverty.

[Mr D Ford]  
[Tabled 10 September 2001]  
[OP 06/01 – 25 September 2001]

### NI Human Rights Commission

That this Assembly believes, in the context of the development of a Bill of Rights, that the Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission has failed to discharge its remit, as given to it by the Belfast Agreement (1998), in its various contributions on the debate on developing human rights in Northern Ireland.

[Dr E Birnie]  
[Mr J Leslie]  
[Tabled 10 September 2001]  
[OP 06/01 – 25 September 2001-debate]  
[OP 07/01 - 1 October 2001 – vote (petition of concern)]

## Townland Names

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 7 September 2001]

[OP 07/01 – 1 October 2001]

## Alternatives to Private Finance Initiatives/Public Private Partnership

That this Assembly calls on the Executive to investigate and promote alternatives to Private Finance Initiatives/Public Private Partnership as a means of funding capital investment.

[Mr F Molloy]

[Tabled 25 September 2001]

[OP 07/01 – 1 October 2001]

## Exclusion Motion

That in consequence of,

- the failure of the Provisional IRA to offer up its illegal weaponry for destruction;
- the Republican Movement's continuing terrorist threat, and active pursuit, of terrorist outrages to secure its aims;
- the maintenance by the IRA of an active terrorist organisation;
- the growing number of cases of IRA involvement in terrorist activity in Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland and across the globe;
- the fact that the Provisional IRA is inextricably linked to Sinn Féin; and
- the involvement and dominance of members of Sinn Féin in the decision-making "Army Council" of the Provisional IRA,

this Assembly resolves that Sinn Féin does not enjoy its confidence because it is not committed to non-violence and exclusively peaceful means, and further, in accordance with Section 30 of 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.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]

[Mr P Robinson MP]

[Tabled 4 September 2001]

[OP 08/01 – 8 October 2001]

### Exclusion of Sinn Féin

That this Assembly resolves that the political party Sinn Féin does not enjoy the confidence of the Assembly because it is not committed to non-violence and exclusively peaceful and democratic means.

[Mr D Trimble MP]  
[Tabled 27 September 2001]  
[OP 08/01 – 8 October 2001]

### ‘Threshold Assessment (Northern Ireland)’

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

[Mr B Hutchinson]  
[Tabled 25 September 2001]  
[OP 09/01 – 9 October 2001]

### Safeguarding Industries in Northern Ireland

That this Assembly, realising the full extent of international terrorism, resolves that the Executive should re-double its efforts to safeguard existing industries in Northern Ireland and give maximum support to agencies responsible for the generation of new national and international investment.

[Mr D McClarty]  
[Mr K Robinson]  
[Tabled 2 October 2001]  
[OP 09/01 – 9 October 2001]

### Amend Standing Orders

In Standing Order 3(8), line 2, delete all after ‘during’ and insert:

‘an Assembly session. Any such change takes effect immediately after notification in writing is submitted to the Speaker.’

[Ms J Morrice]  
[Ms M McWilliams]  
[Tabled 29 October 2001]  
[OP 12/01 – 2 November 2001]

### Amend Standing Orders

From 5 November 2001, until the commencement of a review under paragraph 36 of Strand One of the Belfast Agreement, Standing Order 3(8) has effect as if it read:

‘A Member may change his/her designation of identity. Any such change takes effect immediately after notification in writing is submitted to the Speaker. Any subsequent change shall take effect seven days after the day of such notification.’

[Mr J Wilson]  
[Mr E McGrady MP]  
[Tabled 23 October 2002]  
[OP 13/01 - 5 November 2001-debate]  
[OP 14/01 - 6 November 2001-vote (petition of concern)]

### Health and Social Services Staff

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to work towards the common validation and recognition of the qualification of Health and Social Services staff on a cross-border basis.

[Ms S Ramsey]  
[Tabled 25 September 2001]  
[OP 18/01 – 20 November 2001]

### RUC Reserve: Pensions

That this Assembly supports the right of the Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve (Part-Time) to proper pension provision.

[Mr D Hussey]  
[Tabled 1 October 2001]  
[OP 18/01 – 20 November 2001]

### Sellafield Nuclear Plant

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

[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Mr J Wells]  
[Tabled 1 October 2001]  
[OP 21/01 – 4 December 2001]

### Threshold Assessment (Northern Ireland)

That this Assembly believes that the threshold assessment (Northern Ireland) does not give equality to all members of the teaching profession.

[Mr B Hutchinson]  
[Tabled 17 October 2001]  
[OP 21/01 – 4 December 2001]

## Dual Currency Status for the Euro/Sterling in Northern Ireland

That this Assembly calls on the UK Government to make the necessary legal and financial arrangements for the Euro to be officially recognised as a second currency alongside sterling in Northern Ireland after 1 January 2002.

[Ms J Morrice]  
[Prof Monica McWilliams]  
[Tabled 22 November 2001]  
[OP 21/01 – 4 December 2001]

## Crisis in the Health Service

That this Assembly urges the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to take urgent action to tackle the current crisis in the Health Service, particularly in view of impending additional winter pressures.

[Ms C Hanna]  
[Tabled 13 November 2001]  
[OP 23/01 – 11 December 2001]

## Care in the Community

That this Assembly notes the increasing difficulties facing those who have to rely on community care packages and calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to take action to remedy this situation.

[Mr T Gallagher]  
[Tabled 13 November 2001]  
[OP 26/01 – 21 January 2002]

## Independent Commission of Inquiry

That this Assembly calls on the UK Government to expedite, as agreed, their provision of all relevant documents and files to the Independent Commission of Inquiry into the 1974 Dublin and Monaghan bombings which is chaired by the former Irish Supreme Court Judge, Henry Barron.

[Prof M McWilliams]  
[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Tabled 7 January 2002]  
[OP 26/01 – 21 January 2002]

### Chaulnes Area

That this Assembly notes the intention of the French Government to build a new airport in the area around Chaulnes in Picardy to serve Paris and requests the UK Government to consult closely with the French Government to ensure that due respect and honour are paid to the graves of those who gave their lives in the two world wars.

[Mr I Adamson]  
[Mr K Robinson]  
[Mr S Foster]  
[Tabled 14 January 2002]  
[OP 27/01 – 22 January 2002]

### Health Crisis in our Hospitals

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to take immediate action to address the health crisis in our hospitals.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Mrs I Robinson MP]  
[Mr P Berry]  
[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 14 January 2002]  
[OP 27/01 – 22 January 2002]

### Breakdown of Law and Order

That this Assembly condemns the breakdown of law and order in Northern Ireland society, including attacks on postal workers, ambulance staff, bus and train personnel and elderly members of the community, and calls on the Secretary of State to allocate sufficient, specific resources to enable the PSNI and other organisations to improve the situation at the earliest opportunity.

[Ms E Bell]  
[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Tabled 14 January 2002]  
[OP 28/01 – 28 January 2002]

### Post Office Provision

That this Assembly notes proposals by Consignia to cut the number of Post Offices in Britain by half and calls for immediate action to protect the infrastructure of post offices in Northern Ireland particularly those serving people in rural and disadvantaged urban areas.

[Mr J Dallat]  
[Tabled 22 January 2002]  
[OP 28/01 – 28 January 2002]

## Golden Jubilee

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Education in this, Her Majesty's Golden Jubilee year, to ensure provision is made for each primary school pupil in Northern Ireland to be provided with a suitable souvenir to mark this important and historic occasion.

[Mr M Morrow]  
[Tabled 22 January 2002]  
[OP 31/01 – 12 February 2002]

## 'Protecting Children, Supporting Parents' (2000)

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Finance and Personnel to take note of the outcome of the consultation in England and Wales by the Department of Health on the law on the physical correction of children in their homes 'Protecting Children, Supporting Parents' (2000) which decided not to change the legislation.

[Dr E Birnie]  
[Tabled 23 January 2002]  
[OP 31/01 – 12 February 2002]

## General Amnesty for offences for those "on the run"

That this Assembly considers that the Government's proposal for dealing with those "on the run" constitutes a general amnesty for offences committed prior to April 1998, goes well beyond both the letter and spirit of the Good Friday Agreement and is inconsistent with both justice and international practice. This Assembly believes that the minimum requirement consistent with the Agreement is that those wishing to avail of this measure should be required to acknowledge their guilt in court and be released on licence. This Assembly further believes that the Government should demand guarantees that those "exiled" by the paramilitaries can return to Northern Ireland in safety before proceeding with this measure.

[Mr D Ford]  
[Ms E Bell]  
[Tabled 21 January 2002]  
[OP 33/01 – 19 February 2002]

## School Buses

That this Assembly notes the number of children who have been killed getting on and alighting from school buses by motorists. It calls on the Executive to conduct urgently an investigation into measures to safeguard the welfare of our children when using school buses, taking into account the relevant laws introduced in the United States.

[Mr D Kennedy]  
[Tabled 21 January 2002]  
[OP 33/01 – 19 February 2002]

### Part-Time Workers' Pension Rights

That this Assembly supports the right of all part-time workers to a pension scheme with employer contributions.

[Mr J Kelly]  
[Tabled 19 November 2001]  
[OP 35/01 – 26 February 2002]

### Capital Spending in Education

That this Assembly expresses its concern at the backlog of capital works required for school buildings across all geographic areas and all sectors of education in Northern Ireland. The Assembly asks the Minister of Education to take note of the under-investment in the controlled sector and the pattern of capital spending announcements in recent years when deciding upon the allocation of money for school building in March 2002.

[Mr S Wilson]  
[Mr D Kennedy]  
[Tabled 11 February 2002]  
[OP 35/01 – 26 February 2002]

### Exclusion of Sinn Féin

That, in consequence of:

- the Provisional IRA's retention of its illegal weaponry;
- its continuing threat, and pursuit, of terrorist outrages to secure its aims;
- its maintenance of an active terrorist organisation;
- its continuing engagement in murder and other acts of violence; and;
- the fact that it is inextricably linked to Sinn Féin;

this Assembly resolves that Sinn Féin does not enjoy its confidence because it is not committed to non-violence and exclusively peaceful means and further resolves that, in accordance with Section 30 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, this Assembly determines that members of Sinn Féin shall be excluded from holding office as Ministers for a period of twelve months from the date of this resolution.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Rev Dr W McCrea]  
[Mr D Watson]  
[Mr R McCartney]  
[Tabled 28 February 2002]  
[OP 38/01 – 6 March 2002]



### Agricultural Industry

That this Assembly urges the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development and the Executive to consider the implementation of measures which will sustain the viability of the agriculture industry in Northern Ireland.

[Mr G Savage]  
[Tabled 5 February 2002]  
[OP 39/01 – 11 March 2002]

### Ambulance Service

That this Assembly recognises the pressures on the Ambulance Service and calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to address the inability of the service to meet published response times in rural areas.

[Mr J Fee]  
[Tabled 2 October 2001]  
[OP 40/01 – 12 March 2002]

### Suspend Standing Orders

That Standing Orders 10(2) and 10(6) be suspended for Monday 8 April 2002.

[Mr J Tierney]  
[Tabled 14 March 2002]  
[OP 43/01 – 8 April 2002]

### 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 to implement a change in legislation to ensure that no telecommunications masts are constructed within 300 yards of any dwelling without full public consultation.

[Mr J Shannon]  
[Tabled 3 December 2001]  
[OP 45/01 – 22 April 2002]

### Suspend Standing Orders

That Standing Orders 10(2) and 10(6) be suspended for Monday 22 April 2002.

[Mr B Hutchinson]  
[Tabled 15 April 2002]  
[OP 45/01 – 22 April 2002]

## Recycling of Waste

That this Assembly calls for the immediate establishment of an effective recycling agency to assess, develop and promote all aspects of recycling waste from industrial, commercial and domestic sources in Northern Ireland.

[Dr A McDonnell]  
[Tabled 1 October 2001]  
[OP 46/01 - 23 April 2002]

## The Burns Report

That this Assembly notes the publication of the Burns report on 24 October 2001 on the review of post-primary education.

[Mr S Wilson]  
[Tabled 2 November 2001]  
[OP 46/01 – 23 April 2002]

## “Friends of Hospitals”

That this Assembly calls upon the Minister and the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to set up urgently a separate funding network for the provision of matching funds for items and/or projects identified by local groups commonly known as “Friends of Hospitals”.

[Rev R Coulter]  
[Mr A McFarland]  
[Tabled 11 December 2001]  
[OP 46/01 – 23 April 2002]

## Screening System for Early Diagnosis of Autism

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to introduce a screening system for all pre-school children to assist in the early diagnosis of autism and to make adequate provision for the needs of autistic children.

[Mr J Byrne]  
[Tabled 19 February 2002]  
[OP 46/01 – 23 April 2002]

## Water Service Meter Scheme

That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Regional Development to review urgently the Water Service meter scheme, which results in farmers in particular and consumers in general being charged for wastage arising from previously unidentified leaks from water pipes.

[Mr P J Bradley]  
[Tabled 29 January 2002]  
[OP 47/01 – 29 April 2002]

### Status of the IRA Ceasefire

Recalling the acceptance by all parties of the Mitchell principles of democracy and non-violence and the requirement in the Belfast Agreement for a commitment to exclusively peaceful means and being deeply concerned by recent violence, including murders and paramilitary actions, in Northern Ireland, England, the Republic of Ireland and elsewhere, this Assembly calls on the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, following his recent determination on the status of the UDA/UFF ceasefire, to make a determination on the status of the IRA ceasefire and to make a statement indicating the consequent measures he considers appropriate.

[Rt Hon D Trimble MP]  
[Mr J Leslie]  
[Mr I Davis]  
[Mr M McGimpsey]  
[Tabled 22 April 2002]  
[OP 47/01 – 29 April 2002]

### Good Friday Agreement

That this Assembly supports the principles of the Good Friday Agreement.

[Mr P Doherty]  
[Tabled 25 September 2001]  
[OP 48/01 – 7 May 2002]

### The House-Buying Process

That this Assembly calls for the implementation of procedures to simplify the house-buying process and, in particular, to regulate estate agents and to provide financial concessions for first-time buyers.

[Mr E O'Neill]  
[Tabled 12 March 2002]  
[OP 48/01 – 7 May 2002]

### Northern Ireland Energy Agency

That this Assembly calls for the urgent establishment of a Northern Ireland energy agency to assess, plan and actively manage all aspects of energy procurement, supply and conservation in Northern Ireland.

[Dr A McDonnell]  
[Tabled 1 October 2001]  
[OP 49/01 – 13 May 2002]

### Statutory Rule Subject to Negative Resolution

That the Social Security (Disability Living Allowance) (Amendment) Regulations (NI) 2002 (SR 97/2002) be annulled.

[Mr D Ford]  
[Tabled 16 April 2002]  
[OP 49/01 – 13 May 2002]

### Asbestosis

That this Assembly notes the plight of asbestosis sufferers in Northern Ireland and calls for proper civil justice for asbestos victims.

[Mr S Neeson]  
[Mr J Kelly]  
[Mr M Murphy]  
[Tabled 29 April 2002]  
[OP 51/01 – 21 May 2002]

### Diabetes

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to tackle immediately the serious issue of diabetes commencing with a screening programme for those adults who fall within high risk groups.

[Mr I Davis]  
[Tabled 2 May 2002]  
[OP 51/01 – 21 May 2002]

### Crime Rates

That this Assembly expresses its concern at the increasing levels of crime and falling crime detection rates in Northern Ireland and condemns the public stance adopted by Sinn Féin to the police in Northern Ireland.

[Mr S Wilson]  
[Tabled 9 November 2001]  
[OP 53/01 – 28 May 2002]

### Joint Parliamentary Forum

That this Assembly instructs the Speaker to nominate a number of Members to enter into negotiations with the appropriate body in the Oireachtas with a view to establishing a joint parliamentary forum to discuss matters of mutual interest and concern as detailed in strand two, paragraph 18 of the Good Friday Agreement.

[Ms E Bell]  
[Mr S Close]  
[Mr D Ford]  
[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Tabled 18 February 2002]  
[OP 53/01 – 28 May 2002]

### One Elected Position

That this Assembly, recognising the volume of work involved in local government, the Northern Ireland Assembly, the UK and European Parliaments, opposes double-jobbing and calls on MLAs to dedicate themselves to one elected position only.

[Ms J Morrice]  
[Ms M McWilliams]  
[Tabled 20 May 2002]  
[OP 53/01 – 28 May 2002]

### Erection of Unauthorised Terrorist Memorials

That this Assembly rejects the offensive trend of erecting memorials throughout Northern Ireland by Republican elements in memory of terrorists who tortured citizens of this state for decades by their campaign of murder, maiming and destruction and calls upon the Executive to take immediate action to remove those memorials which have been erected without permission.

[Mr S Foster]  
[Mr D Kennedy]  
[Tabled 22 May 2002]  
[OP 56/01 – 11 June 2002]

### Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict

That this Assembly takes note that 300,000 children under 18, and some as young as six years old, both boys and girls, are fighting as soldiers with Government armed forces and armed opposition groups in more than 30 countries world-wide; that children are particularly at risk in Africa and parts of Asia and the Pacific; that the use of children as soldiers must be made completely unacceptable in any circumstances; that Governments in developed countries must be persuaded to take action not only to protect children in their countries but to protect children world-wide; and therefore urges the British Government immediately to ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict in full without reservations and to persuade other European Union countries to do the same.

[Mr E McGrady MP]  
[Tabled 14 February 2002]  
[OP 57/01 – 17 June 2002]  
[Re-tabled 17 June 2002]

### Care of Special School Leavers

That this Assembly recognises the lack of suitable facilities for young, disabled persons leaving special education and calls upon the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to make immediate province-wide provision for the continued care of special school leavers and to alleviate current pressures on day-care facilities.

[Rev Dr W McCrea]  
[Tabled 14 March 2002]  
[OP 57/01 – 17 June 2002]

### TSN Criteria

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Education to urgently replace “free school meals” as the sole criterion used to allocate TSN funding within the educational sector.

[Mr R Beggs]  
[Tabled 7 May 2002]  
[OP 58/01 – 18 June 2002]

### Neutral Working Environment

That this Assembly calls on the Assembly Commission to report to the Assembly by October 2002 on how symbols and emblems in Parliament Buildings will be used in a manner which promotes mutual respect rather than division within the new institutions as outlined in the Rights, Safeguards and Equality of Opportunity section of the Good Friday Agreement.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Tabled 14 May 2002]  
[OP 58/01 – 18 June 2002]

### GAA

That this Assembly condemns the anti-British ethos of the Gaelic Athletic Association, particularly Rule 21 within its written constitution, which discriminates against participation by members of the security forces, 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 11 September 2001]

### Turkmenistan

That this Assembly urges the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs to make representations to the United Nations to intervene on behalf of all religious groups who have been subject to extreme subjugation and repression under the undemocratic Government of Turkmenistan.

[Mr J Shannon]  
[Tabled 10 October 2001]

### Asperger's Syndrome

That this Assembly calls on the Ministers of Education and Health, Social Services and Public Safety to instigate a comprehensive review of the services provided for people, adults and children, with Asperger's syndrome and the training of professionals specialising in the treatment of such individuals.

[Mr J Fee]  
[Tabled 16 October 2001]

### Digital Hearing Aids

That this Assembly supports the provision of digital hearing aids by the Health Service.

[Mr D Hussey]  
[Tabled 19 October 2001]

### Brownfield Targets

That this Assembly notes the Northern Ireland brownfield building target in the regional strategic framework and calls on the Department for Regional Development to set a pro rata brownfield target for the Belfast metropolitan area now.

[Mr D Ervine]  
[Tabled 22 October 2001]

### Individual Learning Accounts

That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Employment and Learning to review the provision of individual learning accounts in the context of adult learning in Northern Ireland.

[Mr J Byrne]  
[Mr J Dallat]  
[Tabled 23 October 2001]

### Islamic Community

That this Assembly deplores harassment of members of the Islamic community in Northern Ireland, calls on the Executive to respond appropriately to the various types of racist and sectarian hatred and urges HM Government to work to promote the same degree of freedom of religion for minorities in Islamic countries as is enjoyed by Muslims in the United Kingdom.

[Dr Esmond Birnie]  
[Tabled 16 November 2001]

### Pollution to the Water Supply

That this Assembly notes the detrimental effect on the community and environment of pollution to the water supply and calls on Crown immunity from prosecution for the Water Service to be abolished.

[Ms M Nelis]  
[Tabled 22 November 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 3 December 2001]

### Prevention of Bullying in the Workplace

That this Assembly believes that existing legislation aimed at the prevention of bullying in the workplace is inadequate and that increased effort needs to be directed towards introducing legislation to minimise the occurrence of such bullying.

[Mr J Shannon]  
[Tabled 3 December 2001]

### Daw Aung San Suu Kyi 1991 – Peace Laureate

That this Assembly joins Nobel peace laureates and citizens throughout the world in saluting Daw Aung San Suu Kyi from Burma on the tenth anniversary of her winning the Nobel Peace Prize and expresses its support for her courageous stand for democracy and human rights for the citizens of Burma.

[Ms P Lewsley]  
[Ms C Hanna]  
[Tabled 4 December 2001]

### Public Judicial Inquiry

In light of recent press reports regarding the alleged terrorist activities of the Minister of Education, Mr Martin McGuinness MP, this Assembly calls for a public judicial inquiry into his activities as a self-confessed leader of the IRA.

[Mr N Boyd]  
[Mr C Wilson]  
[Tabled 4 December 2001]



### Sustainable Development

That this Assembly calls on the Executive to demonstrate that sustainable development is at the heart of its policy by sending a representative Minister to the World Summit on Sustainable Development in South Africa in August 2002.

[Mr D Ford]  
[Tabled 10 January 2002]

### Local Government and Public Administration

That this Assembly notes the importance of the review of local government and the review of public administration.

[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 14 January 2002]

### Transport for the Elderly

That this Assembly recognises the difficulties facing the elderly living in isolation of getting access to transport and calls on the Minister for Social Development to consider implementing a rural transport fund for those older persons living in rural and isolated areas.

[Mr B Armstrong]  
[Tabled 23 January 2002]

### Review of Public Administration

That this Assembly calls upon the Executive to initiate the review of public administration immediately with a view to bringing forward proposals on the future structure of public administration by February 2003.

[Mr J Kelly]  
[Ms S Ramsey]  
[Tabled 29 January 2002]

### Planning Applications

That this Assembly expresses its concern at the effect on investment and the house building programme of delays in processing planning applications by the Planning Service of the DOE and calls upon the Minister of the Environment to introduce measures to deal with the problems which are the cause of the present delays.

[Mr S Wilson]  
[Tabled 1 February 2002]

## Northern Ireland Construction Health and Safety Group

That this Assembly endorses the campaigns in the local media and supports the initiative taken by Northern Ireland Construction Health and Safety Group (NICON) to prioritise public expenditure to provide the additional resources necessary to address the serious underfunding in the Health Service and calls on the Executive Committee to bring forward proposals within the current financial year to begin to remedy this situation.

[Mr J Kelly]  
[Ms S Ramsey]  
[Tabled 1 February 2002]

## Student Fees

That this Assembly calls on the Minister for Employment and Learning to take immediate steps to end student fees for third level education.

[Mr J Kelly]  
[Ms M Nelis]  
[Tabled 4 February 2002]

## Land Usage

That this Assembly calls on each Northern Ireland Department to identify all property and lands which are being underutilised by Departments or non-departmental public bodies so that consideration can be given to realising such assets and so contribute to additional public expenditure in the many areas of need.

[Mr R Beggs]  
[Mr D Hussey]  
[Mr J Leslie]  
[Tabled 11 February 2002]

## Mail Delivery Times

That this Assembly considers that the delay in the delivery of domestic mail to 3.00 pm would have a serious effect on thousands of home-based small businesses in Northern Ireland and calls on Consignia to reconsider its proposal to change delivery to this time.

[Mr J Wilson]  
[Tabled 12 February 2002]

## Primary Care Groups

That this Assembly expresses serious concern about the lack of information about local health and social care groups, which were established on 1 April 2002 and calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to make more information available to the public about these new primary care groups.

[Mr T Gallagher]  
[Tabled 12 February 2002]

### Health Spending

That this Assembly calls on the Executive to address the long-term funding deficit in the Health Service and to lobby Westminster to ensure that spending on health at least matches the European average of 7.9% of GDP and that the Barnett consequential, or any replacement, provides significant additional resources for services here.

[Mr J Kelly]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Mr F Molloy]  
[Ms S Ramsey]  
[Tabled 14 February 2002]

### Equestrian Centres

That this Assembly believes that equestrian centres should be zero rated.

[Mr B Armstrong]  
[Tabled 15 February 2002]

### Racist Incidents

That this Assembly takes note of the recent report by the national consultative committee on racism and interculturism 'Reporting of Racist Incidents'.

[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 19 February 2002]

### Aggregates Tax

That this Assembly calls on the First Minister and Deputy First Minister to make urgent representations to the Treasury asking it to postpone any introduction of the aggregates tax in Northern Ireland until a fully informed decision has been taken as to its effect.

[Mr P Doherty]  
[Mr F Molloy]  
[Mr G McHugh]  
[Tabled 20 February 2002]

### Peace II Allocations

That this Assembly takes note of the allocations made under the Peace II EU support programme.

[Mr P Doherty]  
[Tabled 20 February 2002]

### Anorexia, Bulimia

That this Assembly notes the lack of facilities for those who suffer from anorexia nervosa and bulimia nervosa and calls upon the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to make Province-wide provision in the National Health Service for specific clinical facilities and services to help those who struggle to cope with these illnesses.

[Mrs I Robinson MP]  
[Tabled 20 February 2002]

### Areas of Special Scientific Interest

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of the Environment to ensure that the new consultation document on areas of special scientific interest, which will have a widespread impact on the farming industry, rural communities and the environment, is withdrawn.

[Mr E McGrady MP]  
[Tabled 25 February 2002]

### Child Abuse

That this Assembly urges the Home Secretary to enact legislation that will in effect be a “Sarah’s Law” for the United Kingdom and further urges him to investigate thoroughly the law in America known as “Megan’s Law” and to apply the workable parts of it to this country as soon as possible.

[Mr J Shannon]  
[Mr E Poots]  
[Mrs I Robinson MP]  
[Mr R Hutchinson]  
[Tabled 25 February 2002]

### RUC Radio System

That this Assembly calls upon the Government to investigate fully the alleged link between the RUC’s radio system and the disproportionately high number of Special Branch’s anti-terrorist officers who have contracted or died of cancer.

[Mr J Shannon]  
[Tabled 25 February 2002]

### Sanctions for Procurement, Storage and Use of Weapons

That this Assembly notes the recent arms find in Coalisland, Co Tyrone; recognises that Republicans are still involved in the procurement, storage and use of weapons at a time when their representatives enjoy concessions as a result of the Belfast Agreement; and calls upon Her Majesty's Government to apply effective sanctions in the absence of a credible and verifiable decommissioning process.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Rev Dr W McCrea]  
[Mr D Watson]  
[Mr R McCartney]  
[Tabled 25 February 2002]

### Patrick Finucane

That this Assembly supports the Finucane family in its demand for a full independent public judicial inquiry into the killing of Patrick Finucane.

[Mr G Kelly]  
[Tabled 26 February 2002]

### Postal Delivery Service

That this Assembly expresses concern at the threat posed to the universal postal delivery service as a result of the proposals by Postcomm, which would allow competitors to "cherry-pick" the profitable parts of the postal service.

[Mr R Beggs]  
[Mr J Dallat]  
[Ms J Morrice]  
[Tabled 1 March 2002]

### Brucellosis

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development to implement immediately an effective eradication policy to deal with the outbreak of brucellosis.

[Mr C Murphy]  
[Mr G McHugh]  
[Tabled 4 March 2002]

### Centre for Cross-Border Studies

That this Assembly takes note of the Centre for Cross-Border Studies' report 'The Foot-and-Mouth Disease crisis and the Irish Border'.

[Mr G McHugh]  
[Tabled 5 March 2002]

### Funding for Private Residential and Nursing Homes

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to provide adequate funding for private residential and nursing homes as recommended in the Review of Funding for Independent Residential and Nursing Homes (February 2000) and for such funding to be linked to inflation and the Retail Price Index.

[Mr E Poots]  
[Mr P Berry]  
[Tabled 6 March 2002]

### Northern Ireland Civil Service – Age Discrimination

That this Assembly

- notes that the Senior Civil Service Review which was due to report in July 2001 has still not been published;
- calls on the review team to publish its findings immediately;
- further calls on the review team to recommend an extension of the compulsory retirement age beyond 60 for all civil servants; and
- calls for financial compensation for those who have been affected by the delay in this decision.

[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Tabled 11 March 2002]

### Kyoto Protocol to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change

That this Assembly welcomes the impending ratification of the Kyoto Protocol by European countries; recognises that there are environmental, ethical and economic reasons for supporting the Kyoto Protocol; and urges the British and Irish Governments to encourage countries who have not yet committed themselves to ratification to do so.

[Dr D O'Hagan]  
[Tabled 13 March 2002]

### Public Inquiry into the murder of Billy Wright

That this Assembly calls for a public inquiry into the murder of Billy Wright at HMP Maze.

[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Mr G Savage]  
[Mr D Watson]  
[Ms P Armitage]  
[Tabled 19 March 2002]

### Interdepartmental Working Group

That this Assembly calls on the Executive to establish without further delay, and in addition to the planned Review of Community Relations Policy, an Interdepartmental Working Group to tackle the problem of paramilitary flags and sectarian graffiti as unanimously agreed by this Assembly on 24 September 2001.

[Mr K McCarthy]  
[Tabled 22 April 2002]

### Credit Card Abuse

That this Assembly notes the recent abuse of credit cards used in the payment of expenses by personnel in Government agencies, as contained in the reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General, and calls for a comprehensive review of how Government Departments and their agencies settle their accounts.

[Mr J Dallat]  
[Tabled 23 April 2002]

### 'Investing for Health'

That this Assembly takes note of the 'Investing for Health' document.

[Ms S Ramsey]  
[Mr J Kelly]  
[Tabled 29 April 2002]

### Free Nursing Care for the Elderly

That this Assembly calls on the Executive to provide the finance which would allow the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to follow on from the introduction of Free Nursing Care for the Elderly to include Free Personal Care.

[Ms S Ramsey]  
[Mr J Kelly]  
[Tabled 29 April 2002]

### Planning Legislation

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of the Environment to introduce planning legislation to compel developers to maintain land in their ownership that is surplus to development requirements.

[Ms M Nelis]  
[Tabled 30 April 2002]

### Bloody Sunday

That this Assembly supports the relatives of those killed on Bloody Sunday in their effort to establish the truth, through the Saville Inquiry.

[Ms M Nelis]  
[Tabled 7 May 2002]

### Belfast Agreement

That this Assembly opposes the Belfast Agreement, with its implicit remit designed to destroy the RUC amongst other things, and notes that the Patten proposals which destroy the Royal Ulster Constabulary, the Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve, and Special Branch flow directly from the Belfast Agreement and accordingly calls on all parties to support the police in the present difficult circumstances.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Mr P Robinson MP]  
[Mr N Dodds MP]  
[Tabled 7 May 2002]

### Plastic Bag Environmental Levy

Noting that current packaging and packaging waste legislation has not been effective, this Assembly calls on the Minister of the Environment to:

- (i) introduce new legislation to control the use of plastic bags; and
- (ii) make representations to the Secretary of State and/or through the British/Irish Council to have the British Government introduce a plastic bag environmental levy of 10p and to use the proceeds to establish a special zero waste fund to support district councils and non-governmental organisations in their efforts to implement the Northern Ireland waste management strategy.

[Mr M McLaughlin]  
[Tabled 15 May 2002]

### Greater Investment for Road Safety

That this Assembly supports greater investment for road safety in Northern Ireland.

[Ms J Morrice]  
[Ms M McWilliams]  
[Tabled 21 May 2002]



### Drug and Alcohol Problems

That this Assembly calls on the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to make adequate provision in the Mental Health services to take account of the growing drug and alcohol problems in Northern Ireland.

[Ms J Morrice]  
[Ms M McWilliams]  
[Tabled 21 May 2002]

### Declining Milk Prices

That this Assembly is concerned by the continuing decline in milk prices for dairy farmers; recognises that a farmgate price of 13 pence per litre, with further price falls expected, will not ensure a viable, sustainable industry when 21 pence per litre is needed to cover costs and at least 24 pence per litre is needed for reinvestment; notes that since 1997 the Government have reduced dairy farmers' costs; and calls upon the Government to assist the dairy sector further by extending for another two years the transitional aid that was made available in 2000-01 under the agrimonetary compensation scheme.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Mr I Paisley Jnr]  
[Tabled 23 May 2002]

### Forestry Strategy

That this Assembly notes Northern Ireland's low percentage of woodland cover, and recognising the importance of trees, calls upon the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development and the Minister of the Environment to ensure that the protection afforded to trees and woodlands is strengthened as part of a forestry strategy for Northern Ireland and the forthcoming revision of the 1991 Planning Order.

[Mr J Wells]  
[Ms P Lewsley]  
[Tabled 27 May 2002]

### 1991 Planning Order

That this Assembly calls upon the Minister of the Environment to amend the 1991 Planning Order to enable third parties to appeal against a decision to grant planning permission.

[Mr J Wells]  
[Ms M McWilliams]  
[Tabled 27 May 2002]

## Car Crimes

That this Assembly calls on the Executive to set up a car crime task force to consider and make proposals with respect to all relevant areas; calls on the British Government to review the law on offences involving car theft including recommendations for longer sentences; and calls on the relevant legal authorities to review bail policy for those charged with car crime.

[Ms P Lewsley]  
[Ms E Bell]  
[Mr A Maskey]  
[Tabled 28 May 2002]

## Decentralisation of Civil Service Jobs

That this Assembly calls on the Executive to begin a meaningful and planned decentralisation of Civil Service jobs to areas outside Greater Belfast, keeping in mind the need to address issues of equality, care for the environment and best use of human resources as well as cost.

[Mr J Dallat]  
[Tabled 5 June 2002]

## Investment in the Trans European Network routes

That this Assembly calls upon the Department for Regional Development to work in close co-operation with the National Roads Authority in the Republic of Ireland to further the development of and investment in the Trans European Network (TENS).

[Mr J Byrne]  
[Tabled 5 June 2002]

## Censure of Sinn Féin and Progressive Unionist Party

That this Assembly notes the Government's acceptance that the Provisional IRA and the UVF are inextricably linked to the political parties, Sinn Féin and the Progressive Unionist Party; the inexorable degeneration of the alleged ceasefires entered into by the above paramilitary organisations and, in particular, the recent organised violence orchestrated and conducted by them on the streets of Belfast; and in the absence of peace and the escalating violence, including the use of firearms retained by the Provisional IRA and the UVF, expresses its censure of those Assembly Members who remain in parties inextricably linked with these organisations.

[Mr R L McCartney]  
[Ms P Armitage]  
[Tabled 10 June 2002]

Outcome of the Review of the NI Economic Council and the  
Provision of Economic Advice and Research

That this Assembly notes the outcome of the Executive's steering group for the review of the Northern Ireland Economic Council and the provision of economic advice and research and urges that any new single research body have as much independence as possible.

[Dr E Birnie]  
[Mr R Beggs]  
[Tabled 11 June 2002]

RNIB Northern Ireland's Right to Read Campaign

That this Assembly endorses RNIB Northern Ireland's Right to Read campaign, believes that people with sight problems must have the right to read the same book at the same time at the same price as sighted people; welcomes the Copyright (Visually Impaired Persons) Bill which will remove many of the barriers to the production of accessible books; notes that Northern Ireland's 60,000 people with sight problems do not have access to sufficient reading materials in large print or audio format and calls on the Minister of Culture, Arts and Leisure and the Minister of Education to urge their UK counterparts to set up a £20 million UK-wide Right to Read fund to boost the production of accessible books for people with sight problems.

[Ms P Lewsley]  
[Tabled 17 June 2002]

Apple Industry

That this Assembly calls upon the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development to recognise the serious problems that currently exist in the apple industry and to introduce immediate measures to successfully deal with these problems, including the possible restructuring of the sector.

[Mr B Armstrong]  
[Mr D Kennedy]  
[Mr G Savage]  
[Tabled 18 June 2002]

Acute Services at Mid-Ulster Hospital, Magherafelt

That this Assembly deplores the proposals of the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to close the acute services at the Mid-Ulster Hospital, Magherafelt and believes that the Mid-Ulster and the Sperrin area, which is serviced by the Mid-Ulster Hospital, necessitates acute services in this locality.

[Mr B Armstrong]  
[Tabled 20 June 2002]

## Stormont Designated Area

That this Assembly, wishing to preserve the built and natural environment of the Stormont Estate and its immediate surrounding district of distinctive and long-established townscape calls on the Minister of the Environment to bring forward legislation to create a 'Stormont Designated Area' extending to the Massey Avenue/Castlehill Road junction, within which any additional building or any replacement building will be subject to the authorisation of the Assembly Commission and will be consistent with the type, purpose, mass and dimension of existing buildings and reflect the unique character of this suburb.

[Mr T Hamilton]

[Mr K Robinson]

[Dr I Adamson]

[Mr George Savage]

[Tabled 24 June 2002]