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Interjections and Interruptions: An hon. member is entitled to be heard in silence, 613, 631, 673, 702, 983, 1003, 1018, 1021, 1134, 1136, 1138, 1455; especially the Treasurer when delivering his budget speech, 555: and he should ignore interjections, 1717.

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Press: An hon member may make a passing comment on a newspaper article without accepting responsibility for its accuracy, 237.

Relevance: An hon. member may deal only with the resolution before the Committee, 617, 618, 1469, 1729, 1730, 2597; or with the amendment until it has been resolved, 1470, 1472, 1473, 1474.

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DEPUTY SPEAKER AND CHAIRMAN OF COM-MITTEES (H. T. FOWLES, ESQ.), RULINGS, OBSERVATIONS AND OPINIONS (continued): members must link their remarks to the debate, 844; also Address-in-Reply debate, 482

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Sub Judice: A question without notice that merely anticipates something that will happen in the court but has not yet happened, does not infringe the sub judice rule, 858.

Tedious Repetition: Point of order disallowed, 846.

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Speaker, Mr. (The Hon. R. S. Maher), Rulings, Observations and Opinions:

Adjournment: When speaking on the motion for the adjournment of the House, hon. members should confine their remarks primarily to constituency matters, but they may briefly refer to matters of general importance. The debate is usually limited to ten minutes, but may be longer if the Government concludes its business earlier than the limit prescribed by the sessional order, 297, 417.

It is not necessary that a matter raised by an hon. member on the adjournment of the House shall refer to his own electorate, 3269.

It is improper for hon. members to indulge in filibusters, 2440. It would be unfair and in breach of the spirit of the adjournment debate to allow one hon. member to monopolise the time available. On a strict, literal interpretation of the standing orders he may discuss only "a specific matter", not a number of points, one divorced from the other, which he raises seriatim; taking advantage of the situation to trifle with the House, 2441.

The raising of two separate matters by one hon. member is not out of order, but after he has discussed two topics, Mr. Speaker will further consider the position, 3273.

If hon. members wish to express their grievances they may have recourse to the procedure under Standing Order 49, which has tended to fall into disuse, and the opportunity to speak on the motion for the adjournment of the House. If these procedures are found to be unwieldy or impracticable, Mr. Speaker will confer with party leaders to ascertain whether a recommendation that the standing orders be amended should be submitted to the House, 297.

On the motion for the adjournment of the House an hon. member may defend the reputation of a constituent, but it is improper for him to make any reference to an earlier question without notice on the same matter that was ruled out of order, or to debate the matter, 452.

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SPEAKER, MR. (THE HON. R. S. MAHER), RULINGS, OBSERVATIONS AND OPINIONS (continued):

If an hon. member seeks to turn the motion for the adjournment of the House into a debate on a political basis, Mr. Speaker must treat the matter strictly and he will only hear him further if the hon. member insists that he has something to contribute, 453.

An hon, member may not speak on the adjournment debate in answer to the remarks of another hon, member unless he feels that aspersions have been cast upon him by the earlier speaker, 454.

An hon. member may not, on the motion for the adjournment of the House, attempt to debate what was said in a debate that has been concluded, 572.

An hon. member may not on the adjournment discuss a matter that obviously will give rise to general debate, 573, 2440, 3180, 3269, 3274.

Hon. members should not make the adjournment debate an excuse for an attack on the Government, 854.

On the motion for the adjournment of the House an hon, member should not seek to ask the Minister a question that he might have put at question time that day, 1583.

Amendments: No amendment may be proposed after an amendment to a later part of the question has been dealt with; and an hon, member may not resort to a subterfuge to try to overcome this standing order, 1068.

Anticipation of Debate: An urgency motion on one specific matter does not anticipate debate on a fivefold and general private member's motion already appearing on the business paper, 2449; it does not matter that the two motions deal with two facets of roughly the same subject, 2450.

A question without notice cannot be regarded as anticipating a motion, 3216.

Blind or Incapacitated Members: Assistance in voting at Legislative Council elections, 751, 1584.

Chair: Mr. Speaker is in charge of the House, 160.

Hon. members must address the Chair, 413, 3012; they may not canvass a ruling of the Chair, 1255; and they may not interrupt Mr. Speaker, 1528.

When a Minister is provoked into addressing another hon. member directly, he is not holding the Chair in contempt, 2523.

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SPEAKER, MR. (THE HON. R. S. MAHER), RULINGS, OBSERVATIONS AND OPINIONS (continued):

Mr. Speaker, without entering into the debate, may point out that an hon member's inference is wrong: to say that aldermen were not confident of their ability does not mean that they are inefficient, 573, 1007.

The acoustics of the Chamber make it impossible at times for Mr. Speaker to hear all the remarks of an hon. member who speaks to another hon. member. No threats, browbeating, intimidation or coercion are likely to deter the Chair from doing what he believes to be correct. The Chair would be obliged to take the strongest possible action against any hon. member who, at any time, says openly and audibly in the Chamber what another might choose discreetly to say under his breath, 582.

Mr. Speaker has received no threat from any hon. member. So far as he is concerned, all hon. members are equal, 582.

An hon. member who criticises outside the House Mr. Speaker's rulings is acting in a maner which is to be deplored, 2554. Continuation outside the House of criticism of the Chair is against the best interests of the parliamentary institution, 2702.

Mr. Speaker is not the instrument of anyone; he must be fair in fulfilling his obligations to all hon. members and will not be browbeaten, 2404; or fooled about, 2630.

The standing orders apply equally to hon. members on each side of the House, 2630, 2631.

Death of His Excellency the Rt. Hon. Viscount Dunrossil, P.C., G.C.M.G., M.C., Q.C.: Acknowledgment of resolution of sympathy, 2477.

Dissent: A ruling by Mr. Speaker can be dissented from only by motion. Notice of such motion shall be given and set down to be considered within three sitting days (S.O. 161), 3034.

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Hon. Member for Earlwood removed from Chamber: The hon. member was called upon three times to withdraw his remarks and was then asked to leave the Chamber on the ground that he defied the Chair, 3131. Standing Order 392 is applicable to Mr. Speaker's action, 3153.

Hunter, D.B., Esq., Hon. Member for Ashfield-Croydon: Parliamentary service record, 300.

Imputations, Aspersions and Offensive Remarks: The use of the word "malicious" to describe an hon. member's criticism imputes improper motives and is disorderly, 110. To suggest that a question without notice was engineered is imputing improper motives, 122.

The fact that a Minister smiles while an Opposition member is speaking does not indicate that the Minister was prompted by improper motives. Such an incident is often seized upon in debate so that it will be recorded in *Hansard*, 144.

It is no offence for an hon. member to smile, and it is no misrepresentation to say that he is smiling, though misunderstanding may occur about whether he is smiling or interjecting, 2471.

The description of certain legislation as "not worth a crumpet" is quite parliamentary, 523.

It ill becomes any member of the Opposition to criticise anyone for reflecting on the government of a sovereign State, 577.

Personal recrimination is unworthy of the House, 1295: an hon. member should not make any derogatory remarks about hon. members, 452.

When an hon. member asks a question during his speech, the Minister is entitled

# ASSEMBLY, LEGISLATIVE (continued):

SPEAKER, MR. (THE HON. R. S. MAHER), RULINGS, OBSERVATIONS AND OPINIONS (continued):

to answer at once or not at all; it is offensive to suggest that a most alert member of the House has gone to sleep, 2522.

An hon. member may not ask a question without notice that imputes improper motives, 693, 1491, 1648. He may not imply improper motives in debate, 1255; nor may he be facetious, 1256. To say that a Minister is introducing a measure simply because he was instructed by another body is imputing improper motives, 1255.

A statement on the housing shortage made by the Minister for Housing in answer to a question without notice and contrary to the opinion expressed by a witness at a Royal commission is not an attack upon the credibility of that witness and nothing needs to be withdrawn, 2855.

When an hon, member considers that his repute has been assailed by the manner in which a point of order is expressed, he is entitled to ask for withdrawal of the remarks and imputations against him, 2855.

When an hon. member casts aspersions upon the character of another hon. member in such a way as to give personal affront, the remarks will be required to be withdrawn, but no point of order on this ground can be taken on any remark that does not concern a member of the Chamber, 2856.

The word "deliberately," in the statement "The federal Minister responsible deliberately misconstrued my question and the Minister's answer", was withdrawn, 2478.

"The Wandering Jew of radio" was withdrawn, 2480.

Mr. Speaker will always insist upon the withdrawal of an objectionable or unparliamentary phrase, 2098, 2107; and an hon. member called upon to withdraw and to apologise for an objectionable remark must do so without qualification, 144.

At any stage an hon, member can rise to object to offensive remarks about him personally; no point of order is involved, 3130.

Statement that an hon. member is afraid to record his vote on a motion is an imputation against that hon. member, 3132.

Hon. members should not be so sensitive as to regard the expression "a dying kick", applied to a political party or a house of parliament, as offensive, 3211. Quite frequently exception has been taken to things said in the parry and thrust of debate which were not offensive, 3212.

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Speaker, Mr. (The Hon. R. S. Maher), RULINGS, OBSERVATIONS AND OPINIONS (continued):

It is reasonable for a Minister to ask an hon, member for an explanation of a phrase that could impute improper motives to him, 2106.

Point of order, that a question without notice imputed improper motives, not allowed, 896, 1964.

An hon. member should not refer to a distinguished character like the Prime Minister as being un-Australian, 1491.

An hon. member's reference to "Macquarie Street sailors" has no intention to impugn the magnificent war effort of any other hon. member, 1528.

Interjections and Interruptions: Inane and superfluous interjections, such as "Isn't that terrible", are disorderly, 67.

Numerous interjections are disorderly, 141, 145, 353, 421, 2636, 2935, 2965, 2969, 3031, 3267; especially if they are made by hon. members who have already made a contribution to the debate, 515, 1531, 1581, 2059; extremely disorderly interjection, 1041.

A constant barrage of interjections makes the debate inaudible and prevents the Minister from proceeding, 2466.

Interjections, apparently organised, from one section of the House will not be tolerated; full disciplinary action will be taken to maintain silence, 3267.

Reasonable interjections are permissible—indeed, welcomed by the Minister, 2466; but not irrelevant interjections, 1855.

When an hon. member apologised for an interjection that had led to a misunderstanding of his attitude, the hon. member who was speaking withdrew his retort to the interjection, 3267.

Useful and pertinent interjections are not disorderly, 1160; nor is a relevant interjection seeking clarification of a point, 1832.

An hon. member is entitled to be heard in silence, 141, 1045, 1526, 1866, 2178, 2737, 2775, 2812, 2947, 2965, 3026, 3028, 3032; especially a Minister when replying, 1581, 1834, 1836, 2108.

Interchange of remarks across the Chamber is disorderly, 2179, 3029.

Legislative Council: Issue of writ for triennial election, 2552; Ballot, 3276.

Ministerial Statements: A statement does not become a ministerial statement simply

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by a Minister's so describing it; that determination is the prerogative of Mr. Speaker, and ministerial statements must contain statements of policy, 2446, 2611.

Wherever possible, ministerial statements should be made immediately at the termination of question time, not during the time available to hon members for asking questions without notice, 2400, 2401.

Ministers should not resort to making ministerial statements unless they are making statements of Government policy, usually about something that has not previously been known to hon. members; amplification of an earlier reply to a question without notice need not be in the form of a ministerial statement, 2401, 2403, 2446.

It is a misuse of the forms of the House to adopt the procedure of a ministerial statement to make a reply to press assertions, 2403.

Mr. Speaker determines whether the Premier's reply to a question without notice is a ministerial statement, 1004, 1495, 2634.

Statements in the House by the Premier in regard to the Rural Bank of New South Wales were ministerial statements on future Government policy, 2446.

Reply to a ministerial statement is normally confined to the Leader of the Opposition, but Mr. Speaker may, with the indulgence of the House, allow the Leader of the Country Party to speak on behalf of his party, 118, 1295.

The Leader of the Opposition, in answering a ministerial statement, is limited solely to answering points in opposition to or rebuttal of those raised by the Minister, 2405. He may not engage in general debate, 1295, 1360.

A ministerial statement about Peat and Milson Islands Mental Hospital does not open the door for the Leader of the Opposition to discuss mental hospitals generally, 2406.

Hon. members do not have an opportunity of engaging in any discussion on a ministerial statement, on which there is no debate, 1360.

Motions: A motion is expected to contain brief, commonsense, laconic statements, but not argument. The deletion of argument need not interfere with the import of the motion but will dispense with verbosity, 3010.

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Brief, sketchy and cursory references only may be made by hon. members to the subject matter of a motion on the notice paper, 3127.

It is in order to debate an intimation by a Minister of the Commonwealth Government that it refuses to accept a particular responsibility in relation to housing, though no formal agreement has been concluded motion to a new housing agreement not yet in existence, should be deleted, 3140.

Nott, the Hon. R. B., M.L.A., Minister for Agriculture: Good wishes on resignation, 2886.

Parliament House: Proposed site for new building, 61.

Efficiency of air conditioning of Chamber, 1158.

Personal Explanation: A Minister's failure to understand an hon. member's question cannot be resolved by a personal explanation; the hon. member may add something to his question when he next gets the call, 636.

An hon. member, in a personal explanation, may explain, not something that other hon. members have said, but something that he himself has said or done, 907; and having concluded his personal explanation he may not debate the question, 908.

An hon. member may not make a personal explanation merely to complain that he disagrees with a statement by a Minister, 909.

A Minister may make a personal explanation at question time, though it might be preferable for him to wait until after question time, 2351.

Points of Order: It is not necessarily a point of order for an hon. member to suggest that a Minister is not employing the most appropriate means to reply to an inquiry, 578.

An hon, member may take a point of order on a Minister who has concluded his reply to a question without notice, 1210.

A point of order can be taken at any stage, even in the middle of a sentence, 3031, 3032, 3130; and it may be taken on a point of privilege, 3032.

A point of order can be based only on an alleged infraction of the standing orders,

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1210, 3136; otherwise it becomes merely argument and is more appropriate as a contribution to the debate, 3032, 3130, 3131.

An hon. member, on receiving the call for a point of order, may not state a point that could not possibly be the one on which he rose to speak, 1210.

A point of order may not canvass a ruling from the Chair, 1255, 1429.

A point of order based on a wrong premise is invalid. The basis of a question was not a partly debated motion, but another question asked earlier, 3208; a reference to the number of houses built in a particular place does not amount to giving information in the same way as does the quoting of statistics for housing throughout the State, 3208; a question wholly within the province of the Minister for Health to answer cannot reflect on any legislative house, 3210; when an hon member refers to finance companies generally, a supplementary question on a particular finance company is in order, 3214; the effect of imports on the New South Wales broiler chicken industry cannot be exclusively a federal matter, 3270.

Press: An hon member may make brief reference to press reports without any necessity to vouch for their accuracy. If it were necessary for hon members to vouch for the accuracy of press articles, the press would be free to publish whatever it liked and often to traduce a Minister, who would have no opportunity of denying the statements in the article, 262.

Despite the fact that a question without notice was disallowed, a newspaper the following day published in full the matter raised in the question, 453.

In replying to a question by the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Speaker expressed the strong view that the Minister for Health had been misreported in the press. No member would so lower himself and his dignity as to attack another hon member, let alone the Speaker, through the columns of the press. The Minister for Health would be the last person to do so; his personal disposition and character have been impeccably ethical in every field, 2445.

Mr. Speaker declined to ask the Minister for Health to make any statement on a press report, 2447.

A press statement by the Minister for Health making it clear that he had not been

## ASSEMBLY, LEGISLATIVE (continued):

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misreported in the press caused Mr. Speaker to deplore the statement first attributed to the Minister; at the same time it exculpated the journalists concerned and restored blameless and unsullied their reputations. The magnification of an incident out of all proportion to its importance and the absence of severe disciplinary action do not justify an interpretation of unreasonable leniency, 2554; and continuation outside the House of the criticism of the Chair is against the best interests of the parliamentary institution, 2702.

The reading of newspapers in the Chamber is disorderly, 3271; but when the business before the House is a motion relating to a specific article in a specific newspaper on a specific day, no objection can reasonably be taken to an hon. member reading it, 2938.

Privilege: On a question of privilege, a distinction must be drawn between criticism and threats, 2943, 2949, 3033. Extracts from newspapers purporting to illustrate breaches of privilege must contain threats, not criticism, which is regarded by the public and the parliament as legitimate, 2944.

The existence of a threat is not determined by the sensitivity of an hon. member. Whether privilege has in fact been breached and the rights of hon. members invaded is determined by the House, whether any matter could be one of privilege is determined by Mr. Speaker, 2944, 3034.

The long-standing rules of the Australian Labor Party do not involve privilege, 3033.

Procedure: Notice of motion under Standing Order 49 is unacceptable if it infringes Standing Order 39, which prescribes that while the motion for the adoption of the Address-in-Reply is before the House only formal business may be introduced. However, while that motion is before the House, Mr. Speaker is obliged under statute to permit a motion under Standing Order 113A for the disallowance of a regulation, 360.

The introduction of the formal Law of Evidence Bill is part of the procedure to establish the inalienable right of the House of Commons to conduct its own business, and is expressly provided for by Standing Order 35. It does not conflict with Standing Order 39 for at that stage the motion for the adoption of the Address-in-Reply is not before the House, 361.

# ASSEMBLY, LEGISLATIVE (continued):

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The mover of a motion closes debate when he replies, 1067.

The forms of the House provide a means whereby an hon. member may discuss the comments of the Auditor-General in regard to hospitals, 1069. The mover of a motion may, on a Minister making a declaration, elect not to proceed with the motion, or to proceed with it, as he chooses, 2858.

Standing Order 74 lays down the routine procedure that the House must follow; the appropriate time for bringing forward urgency motions is during question time, 2856, 2857.

Notice of a motion may properly be given before Mr. Speaker goes through the business paper with a view to taking formal business. Notice of a motion for leave to introduce a bill, given after that stage of proceedings, would not be in order, 3055. Nevertheless, any point of order must be taken contemporaneously. A point of order cannot be effective four or five hours after the event, and after a ruling has been made, no further point of order can be taken; the only action permitted is dissent from the ruling, 3059.

No question shall be asked forty-five minutes after the commencement of questions without notice, 2936.

The word "tomorrow" has a special parliamentary sense when used in giving notice of a motion for leave to introduce a bill, 3073.

Jocularity, 3272.

Motions have been moved and debated immediately, without a seconder, when the Opposition concurred in this procedure. If an hon, member insists on observance of this formality of seconding, Mr. Speaker will call for a seconder, 2940.

It is customary but not obligatory to show a red light as a warning that an hon. member's time has expired, 2108. The red light is switched on three minutes before an hon. member is due to finish his speech; he is not called to order until the full time allotted to him has passed, and he is not allowed to speak past that time, 2730.

Public Address System in Chamber: Mr. Speaker cannot direct any hon. member to speak into a microphone but those who have not stentorian voices would oblige the House if they did so, 2776.

## ASSEMBLY, LEGISLATIVE (continued):

SPEAKER, MR. (THE HON. R. S. MAHER), RULINGS, OBSERVATIONS AND OPINIONS (continued):

Questions without Notice: A Minister may answer a question in his own way, and he is entitled to be heard in silence, 110, 897, 1005, 1101, 1157, 1160, 1413; an hon. member who disagrees with the reply may ask subsequent questions, 421, 897, 1157, 1160, 2103, 2269; and he may not keep up a running battery of continuing questions while the answer is being given, 1101, 1160. It is extremely improper to suggest that the Minister is making a farce of question time, 1005.

A question without notice may not seek a Minister's opinion, 111, 112, 293, 471, 580, 692, 1492; though it may seek the reason for the introduction of legislation, 1649; or ask what the Minister's attitude would be in certain circumstances, 693.

A question without notice must concern the administration of the Minister's department, 262, 351, 1011, 1043, 1967. A question whether a particular tune should be played at State functions comes within the administration of the Premier, 1492.

Obviously, a Minister when answering a question must make some controversial statements that could give rise to debate later on, and any hon. member affected can, if he so wishes, invoke standing orders and make a personal explanation, 2632.

A Minister may answer a question in the affirmative and then elaborate his affirmative answer, 3211.

A question cannot be regarded as anticipating a motion, 3216.

A question without notice relating to party politics concerns a Minister no more than it concerns a back-bencher, 351. If the points of policy of a political party may be discussed only by a member of that party, the majority of questions asked by the Opposition would be out of order, 1207. Almost every question without notice contains some political content, and it would be absurd to lay down that questions of a political nature should not be asked, 1208, 1782. Neither side of the House has a monopoly of propaganda questions, 1551.

When more than one hon. member seek to ask a supplementary question, it is incumbent upon Mr. Speaker to give the call to him who first catches his eye, and it is unworthy of the Opposition members to demur at his action, 111.

Supplementary questions must relate to the subject-matter of the original question, 112, 1539, 1157, 1158, 1493, 1498, 1917,

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2032, 2100, 2182, 2270. A question about wheat silos at Mudgee is not supplementary to a question about wheat silos at Wallerawang, 257, 292. A question on the conversion of old-system titles to Torrens titles is supplementary to a question about delays generally in searches at the Registrar-General's Department, 354. A question about interstate comparisons is supplementary to a question on Commonwealth-State relationships affecting war-service land settlement in New South Wales, 422. A question about a marker post on the Prince's Highway on the outskirts of Sydney is not supplementary to a question concerning marker plates on the Victorian border, 474. A question about decentralisation is not strictly supplementary to a question about country housing, 576. To a question specifically referring to a bank's activities in regard to a named company, only questions referring to the bank's dealings with that company can be regarded as supplementary, 1008. A question about teacher shortage is not supplementary to a question about the Wyndham report, 1212. A question about the establishment of a university elsewhere is not supplementary to a question about the establishment of a university in a specified locality, 1415, 1417, 1493, 1494.

A question about the sale of wheat to Red China is not supplementary to one dependent on events before that sale occurred, 2479; cruelty to travelling stock is not supplementary to the abolition of road tax on stock transported by road, 3118; the condition of technical education accommodation and services in the Clarence electorate is not supplementary to a question about accommodation at Newcastle technical college, 3122; a question about the treatment in caucus of the Wyndham report on secondary education is not supplementary to one about the establishment of a university at Newcastle and the work of a committee on tertiary education, 3123; the appointment of a particular person as public relations officer for the board of directors of Sydney Hospital is not supplementary to the appointment of a select committee of the Legislative Council on the Public Hospitals (Amendment) Bill, 3213.

The Chair may allow the Minister to answer a question without notice though it is not truly supplementary, 539, 1291. A question about the maximum age for admission of recruits to the police force is not strictly supplementary to one about the

## ASSEMBLY, LEGISLATIVE (continued):

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retirement of a specific special officer of the force but, though doubtful, will be allowed, 2395.

Point of order, that a question was not supplementary, not allowed, 1007.

Questions without notice should be as brief as possible, 1587, 1964, 2031, 2033, 2102, 2176, 2935. Unduly long questions should be placed upon the *Questions and Answers* paper, 185, 545, 1209; as should questions seeking details which the Minister could not be expected to have at hand, 581. The measure of the length depends upon the interest aroused by the question, 693.

An hon, member asking a question should confine his remarks to the question, 2935.

Hon. members, when asking questions, have approached close to the line that divides a question from a speech, without crossing it, 2444.

An hon. member who wishes to ask a question that he knows will involve a detailed reply may take the logical course of advising the Minister beforehand of his intention to ask the question at the appropriate time, 578.

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Council: 1R., 1342; 2R., 1485; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 1488; assent, 1740.

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Assembly: Int., 3075; 1R., 3076; 2R., 3169; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 3219; mes., 3246.

Council: 1R. and m.s.o., 3181; 2R., 3192; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 3195.

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Assembly: Int., 3074; 1R., 3075; 2R., 3246; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 3263; mes., 3266.

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Assembly: Int., 2111; 1R., 2112; 2R., 2422; Com., 2428; ad. rep., 2429; 3R., 2475; mes., 2749; assent, 3207.

Council: 1R., 2545; 2R., 2685; Com., 2690; ad. rep. and 3R., 2691; assent, 3180.

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Council: Assent, 8.

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Council: Assent, 8.

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Assembly: Int., 1860; 1R., 1868.

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Assembly: Int., 1924; 1R., 1925; 2R., 2407; Com., 2411, 2512; ad. rep., 2513; 3R., 2572; mes., 2816; assent, 3117.

Council: 1R., 2546; 2R., 2693; Com. and ad. rep., 2694; 3R., 2751; assent, 3100.

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Council: Assent, 8.

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DAIRY INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL:

Assembly: Int., 548; 1R., 550; 2R., 1262, 1298; Com. and ad. rep., 1311; 3R., 1368; mes., 1548; assent, 1780.

Council: 1R., 1342; 2R., 1476; Com., 1479; ad. rep. and 3R., 1480; assent, 1740.

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Assembly: Int., 1180; 1R., 1182; 2R., 1320; Com., 1327; ad. rep., 1328; 3R., 1368; mes., 1548; assent, 1780.

Council: 1R., 1342; 2R., 1408; Com. and ad. rep., 1411; 3R., 1476; assent, 1740.

DISTRICT COURTS AND SMALL DEBTS RECOVERY (AMENDMENT) BILL:

Assembly: Int., 3076; 1R., 3078; 2R., 3219; Com. and ad. rep., 3226; 3R., 3240; mes., 3263.

Council: 1R. and m.s.o., 3195; 2R., 3197; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 3199.

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Assembly: Int. and 1R., 1184; 2R., 1315; Com. and ad. rep., 1320; 3R., 1368; mes., 1548; assent, 1780.

Council: 1R., 1342; 2R., 1488; Com. and ad. rep., 1489; 3R., 1490; assent, 1740.

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GENERAL LOAN ACCOUNT APPROPRIATION BILL:

Assembly: All stages, 1927; mes., 2079; assent, 2175.

Council: 1R., m.s.o., and 2R., 1947; Com. and ad. rep., 1956; 3R., 2019; assent, 2134.

GLADESVILLE MENTAL HOSPITAL CEMETERY BILL:

Assembly: Int., 550; 1R., 551; 2R., 1259; Com. and ad. rep., 1261; 3R., 1297; mes., 1548; assent, 1780.

Council: 1R., 1267; 2R., 1405; Com. and ad. rep., 1408; 3R., 1476; assent, 1740.

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GRAIN ELEVATORS (AMENDMENT) BILL:

Assembly: Int., 2776; 1R., 2777; 2R., 2875; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 2876; mes., 3153.

Council: 1R., 2828; 2R., 2998; Com. and ad. rep., 2999; 3R., 3100.

HIRE-PURCHASE BILL:

Council: Assent, 8.

Housing (Further Amendment) Bill:

Assembly: Int., 1297; 1R., 1298; 2R., 1679; Com. and ad. rep., 1682; 3R., 1708; mes., 1996; assent, 2174.

Council: 1R., 1740; 2R., 1844; Com. and ad. rep., 1845; 3R., 1947; assent, 2134.

INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (AMENDMENT)
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Assembly: Int., 2110; 1R., 2111; 2R., 2418; Com. and ad. rep., 2422; 3R., 2474; mes., 2749; assent, 3117.

Council: 1R. and m.s.o., 2545; 2R., 2683; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 2685; assent, 3100.

INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (FURTHER AMEND-MENT) BILL:

Assembly: Int., 2777; 1R., 2778; 2R., 3055; Com. and ad. rep., 3058; 3R., 3073; mes., 3153.

Council: 1R. and m.s.o., 3100; 2R., 3102; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 3104.

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Council: Assent, 8.

LANDLORD AND TENANT (AMENDMENT) BILL:

Assembly: Int., 1498; 1R., 1504; 2R., 2123, 2214; Com., 2220; ad. rep. and 3R., 2230; mes., cons. amdts. and ad. rep., 2384; assent, 2393.

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Assembly: Int., 1182; 1R., 1183; 2R., 1385, 1691, 1882; Com. and ad. rep., 1885; 3R., 1925; mes., 2175; assent, 2393.

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Assembly: Int., 1254; 1R., 1257; 2R., 1885; Com., 1911, 1928; ad. rep., 1939; recom., 2039; ad. rep., 2° and 3R., 2040.

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Council: 1R. and m.s.o., 2264; 2R., 2336; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 2341; assent, 2536.

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Assembly: Int., 1257; 1R., 1258; 2R., 1368, 1504, 1557; Com., 1616; ad. rep., 1622; 3R., 1652; mes., 1885; cons. amdt., 2038; ad. rep., 2039; assent, 2175.

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Council: 1R., m.s.o. and 2R., 3181; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 3186.

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Assembly: Int., 1258; 1R., 1259; 2R., Com. and ad. rep., 2429; 3R., 2475; mes., 2749; assent, 3207.

Council: 18., 2545; 28., Com. and ad. rep., 2691; 38., 2692; assent, 3180.

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Assembly: Int., 2209; 1R., 2214; 2R., 2312, 2366; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 2384; mes., 2816; cons. amdis., 2870; ad. rep., 2872; assent, 3117.

Council: 1R. and m.s.o., 2345; 2R., 2546, 2667; Com. and ad. rep., 2676; 3R., 2751; assent, 3100.

POLICE REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:

Assembly: Int., 2572; 1R., 2573; 2R., 3094; Com. and ad. rep., 3099; 3R., 3153; mes., 3246.

Council: 1R. and m.s.o., 3181; 2R., 3190; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 3192.

POLICE REGULATION AND SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:

Assembly: Int., 1922; 1R., 1924; 2R., 2359; Com., ad., rep. and 3R., 2366; mes., 2384; assent, 2393.

Council: 1R. and m.s.o., 2328; 2R., 2341; Com., 2344; ad rep. and 3R., 2345; assent, 2536.

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Assembly: Int., 1179; 1R., 1180; 2R., 1328; Com. and ad. nep., 1333; 3R., 1368; mes., 1814; assent, 2174.

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Assembly: Int., 1708; 1R., 1710; 2R., 1817; Com. and ad. rep., 1841; 3R., 1868; mes., 2175; assent, 2393.

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Assembly: Int., 1248, 1R., 1249; 2R., 2411; Com. and ad, rep., 2414; 3R., 2474; mes., 2725; assent, 3117.

Council: IR., 2545; 2R., 2676; Com., ad. rep. and 3R., 2678; assent, 3100.

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