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Part One: Introduction and Message from the Clerk

The Tasmanian Parliament, comprised of the House of Assembly, Legislative Council and His Excellency the Governor together, is responsible for the consideration and enacting of State legislation, the raising of revenue and the expenditure of such is authorised by these. The following is the Annual Report for the Tasmanian House of Assembly, detailing its role in the abovementioned responsibilities for 2010-2011.

Mission and Corporate Goals

The House of Assembly Mission Statement, from which the five corporate goals are derived, is detailed below. Together these underpin the workings of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly.

The Mission Statement of the House of Assembly is as follows:

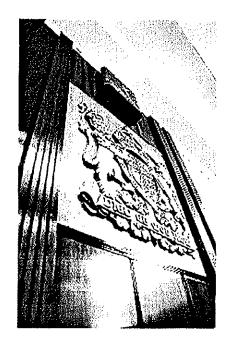
To provide the House of Assembly, its committees, the Speaker of the House and Members with advisory, procedural, research and administrative support services of a high standard to assist them to effectively undertake their constitutional and Parliamentary duties.

The corporate goals that the House of Assembly works towards, drawn from the Mission Statement, are listed below:

- 1. To support the House in its constitutional role;
- 2. To provide the highest levels of advice and procedural research and administrative services necessary for the effective functioning of the House, its Committees and Members;
- To promote public awareness of the purpose, functions and work of the House and encourage and facilitate visits by the widest possible range of citizens;
- 4. To perform all of its functions at the highest attainable levels of professional competence and efficiency; and
- 5. To be a fair and responsible employer, maximising the potential of all its staff through effective human resource practices.

In meeting these goals, the House of Assembly pursues excellence in professional standards, management standards, skills development, internal and external communication, leadership, and resource allocation.

The corporate goals form the basis of the performance measures implemented. This report summarises the achievements of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly over the financial year 2010-2011. The following chapters provide detailed information on the goals of the House individually and on how efforts are made to meet and exceed these goals.



Parliament of Tasmania Crest in the House of Assembly Chamber

Clerk's Message

The 2010-2011 year has brought with it new and exciting challenges for the staff of the House of Assembly. Each of these has provided opportunities to continue to excel in supporting the operations of the Parliament and its democratic function.

Once again, in serving the Parliament during the last year, the staff of the House have continued to strive for excellence in their work. We look forward to progressing our work in support of the House of Assembly in its parliamentary function into 2011-2012.

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P R Alcock Clerk of the House of Assembly

Part Two: Corporate Goal One

The first corporate goal of the House of Assembly is to support the House in its constitutional role. This is achieved by implementing and operating under State and Commonwealth legislation; offering procedural support to Members both formally and informally; and the production of printed documents; all of which while maintaining a strict political impartiality.

A general overview of the work of the House of Assembly may be found in this section of the report. Further information on how the office supports the House in its parliamentary role may also be found in Part Three, which deals with corporate goal two: to provide the highest levels of advice and procedural research and administrative services necessary for the effective functioning of the House, its Committees and Members.

Members receive procedural advice from the staff of the House of Assembly both formally and informally. Advice is dispensed formally in the *Standing and Sessional Orders and Rules*, agreed to by the House and published and provided by the House of Assembly staff for each parliamentary session. Informal support is provided within the Chamber, offering procedural information and assisting the Speaker or the Chair of Committees, taking minutes of the proceedings and handling the tabled documents and Bills.

Documents and Publications Produced

The major documents produced by the House are first and foremost documents that support the House in its Constitutional role as part of the Tasmanian Parliament. These include the *Standing and Sessional Orders*, the Votes and Proceedings, the Notice Paper, and the Daily Order of Business. As well as these, the House of Assembly produces documents to assist in the promotion of public awareness of the work of the House, such as the Annual Report and Committee Reports. A comprehensive list of such documents produced in the last financial year is provided below.

Annual Report 2009-2010 - The annual report on the operations of the House of Assembly (incorporating the House of Assembly Digest for 2009), compiled and presented to the House pursuant to the *Financial Management and Audit Act* 1990.

Committee Reports - Reports presented by Parliamentary Committees are published as Parliamentary Papers, of which details may be found in the *Index to the Votes and Proceedings*, cited below. Reports

may also be accessed according to the Committee who presented it, from the website, http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/ctee/comminte.htm. For further information on the Committees of the House of Assembly, see Part Three of this report.

Member's Handbook - A guide for Members published following a General Election for Members of the House of Assembly.

List of Members - Lists Members alphabetically by name, showing Parliamentary or Ministerial Office, electorate, party, address, phone and fax numbers. The list is continually updated. It is available in a printed copy from the front desk of Parliament House and electronically at http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/HA/HALists.pdf 47th Parliament, September 2011.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day (published for each sitting day except the first sitting day of a session) - An official list of all business before the House, setting out the order of business to be followed.

47th Parliament, 1st session 2010 - 2011, Nos. 10 - 59

Notices of Question (published for each sitting week except the first sitting week of the session) - An official list of all Questions asked on notice.

47th Parliament, 1st session 2010-2011, Nos. 2-18.

Order of Business (published for each sitting day) - A guide for Members showing those items of business which the House is expected to consider on that day.

Votes and Proceedings (published for each sitting) - An official record of the proceedings of the House of Assembly.

47th Parliament, 1st session 2010-2011, Nos. 11-60.

Committee Support

The House of Assembly also supports the Tasmanian Parliament in its Constitutional role through Committee work. This support is administrative: organising meetings, hearings and site inspections, keeping a record of proceedings and compiling reports. Several of the Committees that the Office of the Clerk of the House provides such support for are established according to certain legislation. Further information on Committees of the Parliament is available in Part Three.

Legislation Administered by the House of Assembly

The legislation that the Office of the Clerk of the House administers provides some insight into how the office provides support for the House and its Members. The following is a list of legislation administered by the House of Assembly in the last financial year. The Department operates under the provisions of the Constitution Act 1934, the Electoral Act 2004, the Parliamentary Privilege Act 1858, 1885, 1898, 1957 and 1979, and the Parliament House Act 1962. As part of its parliamentary function the House of Assembly also administers the Parliamentary Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act 1973, the Public Works Committee Act 1914, the Public Accounts Committee Act 1970, the Subordinate Legislation Committee Act 1969, the Parliamentary (Disclosure of Interests) Act 1996 and the Integrity Commission Act 2009.

Support for Local Business

The House of Assembly ensures that Tasmanian businesses are given every opportunity to compete for departmental business. It is the policy of the House of Assembly to support Tasmanian businesses whenever they offer best value for money for the public monies expended.

No tenders were called, or contracts awarded with a value greater than \$50,000 during the financial year ended 30 June 2011 through the House of Assembly. No consultancy contracts were awarded or acted on during the financial year.

Part Three: Corporate Goal Two

The House of Assembly aims to provide the highest levels of advice, procedural research and administrative services necessary for the effective functioning of the House, its Committees and Members, as its second corporate goal. In order to achieve this, advice is dispensed as required both formally and informally, through the provision and maintenance of the *Standing and Sessional Orders* and the *Members' Handbook*, as well as through answers to questions as they occur in the Chamber or in Committee. Induction sessions are also held for newly elected Members, advising them about Parliamentary procedure and services available in the House.

Outputs pertaining to this second corporate goal are the support of the lawful operation of the House and support of the lawful operation of the Committees of the House of Assembly and Joint Committees. These are briefly mentioned also in Part Two. Information on these outputs and the related performance measures may be found in Tables One and Two, below.

Table One: Support of the Lawful Operation of the House and fulfilment of Statutory Requirements

Agency:	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
Output Grouping	I HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY SUPPORT SERVICES
Output No.:	1.1
Output:	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY SUPPORT SERVICES
Output Description:	Procedural and administrative support of the House of Assembly and its Members.
Output Objective:	Support of the lawful operation of the House and fulfilment of Statutory requirements.
Production System:	Produced by the Office of the Clerk of the House.
User:	Members of the House of Assembly, Local Government authorities, Public Sector organisations, general public.
Performance Measures:	Performance measures relative to this output are: the extent to which requests for procedural and related advice are answered; Output: Procedural and related advice has been provided as requested. The Clerk has received no complaints in 2010-2011 as to the dispensation of advice. the extent to which requests for advice relating to drafting of Private Members' Bills and amendments to Government Bills is provided; Output: Advice relating to Private Members' Bills and Government Bills has been provided as requested. the extent to which the documents necessary for each meeting of the House, such as the Notice Paper, the daily program and procedural 'scripts' for the use of participants in proceedings are produced and supplied in an acceptable form and in time for each sitting day; Output: Documents necessary for each meeting of the House have consistently been provided at the appointed times throughout 2010-2011. On no occasion have such procedural and Chamber documents been late or inappropriately provided.

The Committees Secretariat is a vital aspect to the achievement of this goal, as it provides research and advice to Members in Committees.

Agency:	HOUSE OF ASSENIBLY
Output Grouping	1
	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY SUPPORT SERVICES
Output:	SELECT COMMITTEE SUPPORT SERVICES
Output Description:	Procedural and administrative support for Select Committees of the House and Joint Committees.
Output Objective:	Lawful operation of Committees of the House of Assembly and Joint Committees
Production System:	Produced by the Office of the Clerk of the House through the provision of both written and oral advice and the provision of Committee secretariats.
User:	Committees of the House of Assembly and Joint Committees
Units of Output:	This output provides the machinery for the elected Members of the House to produce the relevant outcome, an assessment of 'units produced' therefore is not possible.
Performance Measures:	Performance measures relative to this output are:-
	• the extent to which requests for procedural and related advice are answered;
	Output: Procedural and related advice has been provided as requested. The Clerk has received no complaints in 2010-2011 as to the dispensation of advice.
	The extent to which support for Parliamentary Committees is provided;
	Output: All forms of support for Parliamentary Committees has been provided as required in a timely, sensitive and informed manner.
	the extent to which the documents necessary for meetings of Committees, such as Agendas, submissions and procedural 'scripts' for the use of participants in proceedings were produced and supplied in an acceptable form and in time for such meetings.
	Output: Agendas, submissions and procedural 'scripts' and other such documents were provided for all Committee meetings as required. The first priority in all provision of these documents was allowing Members and participants adequate time for preparation and revision of Committee related documents.

Table Two: Support of the Lawful Operation of Committees of the House of Assembly

The role of the House of Assembly Committees Secretariat is to provide advice, secretarial and administrative support to House of Assembly Select Committees, Joint Select Committees and Standing Committees.

At 30 June 2011, the staff of the Secretariat was:

- Shane Donnelly, Clerk Assistant/Committee Secretary;
- Heather Thurstans, Second-Clerk Assistant/Committee Secretary;
- o Charles Casimaty, Committee Secretary;
- o Laura Ross, Parliamentary Officer; and
- Laura Ollington, Administrative Officer.

During the 2010 - 2011 financial year, the Secretariat provided support services to the following Committees:

- Estimates Committees.
- Government Businesses Scrutiny Committees.
- Library Committee.
- o Parliamentary Standing Committee on Integrity.
- Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Accounts.
- Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.
- Printing Committee.
- Privileges Committee.
- Standing Orders Committee.
- Select Committee on Child Protection.
- Select Committee on the Costs of Housing, Building and Construction in Tasmania.
- Select Committee on the Gaming Control Amendment Bill.
- Select Committee on Scottsdale Sawmills.
- Select Committee into the Tasmanian Water and Sewerage Corporations.

House of Assembly Committees Secretariat

The House of Assembly Committees Secretariat supports Joint Standing Committees of the Parliament and Select Committees of the House of Assembly in fulfilling their role as scrutineers of public policy issues and Government legislation. The Secretariat provides procedural advice, researches and analyses issues relating to committee inquiries, drafts committee reports, and provides administrative support.

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Integrity

Function: The functions of the Committee are set out in section 24 of the *Integrity Commission Act 2009*, which provides as follows:

- 24. Functions and powers of Joint Committee
- (1) The Joint Committee has the following functions:
- (a) to monitor and review the performance of the functions of an integrity entity;
- (b) to report to both Houses of Parliament, as it considers appropriate, on the following matters:
- (i) matters relevant to an integrity entity;
- (ii) matters relevant to the performance of an integrity entity's functions or the exercise of an integrity entity's powers;

- (c) to examine the annual reports of an integrity entity and any other report of an integrity entity and report to both Houses of Parliament on any matter appearing in or arising out of such reports;
- (d) to report to the Legislative Council or House of Assembly on any matter relevant to an integrity entity's functions that is referred to it by the Legislative Council or House of Assembly;
- (e) to review the functions, powers and operations of the Integrity Commission at the expiration of the period of 3 years commencing on the commencement of this section and to table in both Houses of Parliament a report regarding any action that should be taken in relation to this Act or the functions, powers and operations of the Integrity Commission;
- (f) to provide guidance and advice relating to the functions of an integrity entity under this Act;
- (g) to refer any matter to the Integrity Commission for investigation or advice;
- (h) to comment on proposed appointments to be made under section 14(1)(e), (f) or (g), section 15 and section 27.
- (2) Nothing in this Part authorises the Joint Committee –
 (a) to investigate any matter relating to a complaint that is being dealt with by the Integrity Commission; or
 (b) to review a decision of the Integrity Commission to investigate, not investigate or discontinue an investigation or inquire into or not inquire into a particular complaint; or
 (c) to make findings, recommendations, determinations or decisions in relation to a particular investigation or inquiry of a complaint that is being or has been dealt with by the Integrity Commission.

Members:

Hon. J.S. Wilkinson MLC (Chair); Dr V. Goodwin MLC; Hon. D.J. Parkinson MLC; Mr K.D. Booth MP; Mr M.T. Hidding MP; Ms R. White MP.

Staff:

Secretary: Mr Shane Donnelly

Reports:

Integrity Committee Annual Report 2010.

Meetings:

During the reporting period, the Committee met on three occasions.

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Accounts

Function:

The role of the Committee is "to examine public accounts on behalf of the Parliament". The Committee examines:

- (a) the accounts showing the appropriation of the sums granted by Parliament to meet the public expenditure; and
- (b) such other accounts laid before Parliament as the Committee may think fit,

and to report to both Houses of Parliament, with such comment as it thinks fit, on any matter arising in connection with those accounts or in connection with the receipt or disbursement of the moneys to which they relate to which it is of opinion the attention of Parliament should be drawn.

Where either House of Parliament refers to the Committee for examination any matter arising in connection with the accounts referred to in paragraph (a) of this section, or any other accounts laid before Parliament, or in connection with the receipt or disbursement of the moneys to which any of those accounts relate, the Committee shall, as soon as practicable, carry out that examination, and report thereon to both Houses of Parliament, with such comment as it thinks fit.

The Committee may summon witnesses to appear before it to give evidence and to produce documents, and for that purpose has the power and authority of a Select Committee of the House of Assembly. Evidence is normally taken in public unless there is a good and sufficient reason to take evidence in private. Hansard provides transcripts of all evidence to the Committee.

Membership:

Legislative Council - Hon J.S. Wilkinson MLC (Chair); Hon I.N. Dean MLC; Hon R.J. Forrest MLC; Mr B.R. Best MP; Mr K.D. Booth MP; Mr P.C. Gutwein MP.

Staff:

Secretary: Mrs. Heather Thurstans

The Parliamentary Research Service has provided timely and valuable research assistance.

Reports:

Kingston High School Report 2011.

Meetings:

During the reporting period, the Committee met on eleven occasions.

From 1 March 2011, the administration of the Public Accounts Committee was transferred to the Legislative Council.

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works

Function:

The Public Works Committee is established pursuant to the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act* (No. 32 of 1914). The Committee considers and reports upon every proposed public work the cost of which is estimated cost of completing the work exceeds \$5 000 000.

The Committee has regard to: the stated purpose of the works; the necessity or advisability of carrying it out; the amount of revenue which it may reasonably be expected to produce; and the present and prospective public value of the work.

Members:

Hon. A. P. Harriss MLC (Chair); Hon. G. R. Hall MLC; Mr K. D. Booth MP; Mr A. R. Brooks MP; Ms R. White MP.

Staff:

Secretary: Mr Shane Donnelly

Reports:

Construction of Police Divisional Headquarters Devonport.

Divisional Headquarters Development, New Devonport Police Station.

Flinders Island Multipurpose Centre Redevelopment.

Huon Valley Trade Training Centre.

King Island Hospital and Health Centre - Redevelopment.

Mersey Community Hospital, Department of Emergency

Medicine Upgrade and Associated Program of Works.

Royal Hobart Hospital Campus Upgrade - Phase One Projects.

Meetings:

During the reporting period, the Committee met on eleven occasions, such meetings being held in Latrobe; Devonport; Currie; Whitemark; Huonville; and Hobart.

Select Committee on Child Protection

Function: The terms of reference for the Select Committee on Child Protection are as follows:

To inquire into and report upon the adequacy of Tasmania's child protection systems, including:—

- (a) early identification, intervention and prevention strategies currently in place within all relevant agencies including the Department of Health and Human Services (including Family Support and Child Protection Services), the Office of the Commissioner for Children, Department of Education, Department of Justice, Tasmania Police, and the non-government sector including Gateway service providers, and including comparison with child protection regimes in other Australian jurisdictions;
- (b) mechanisms currently in place, and where improvements can be made to enhance the integration between all relevant agencies to ensure that the welfare of any identified child at risk is paramount and that all agencies work together to provide best practice care and service delivery;
- (c) review the Children, Young Persons and Their Families Act 1997, including all proposed amendments to the Act as mentioned in the Tasmanian Government's response to recommendations in the Commissioner for Children's report on his inquiry into the circumstances of a 12 year old child under guardianship of the Secretary, October 2010;
- (d) other long term contributors to child abuse and neglect, such as poverty, drug and alcohol misuse and mental health issues;
- (e) the appropriateness, and need for, any further inquiry including but not limited to a Commission of Inquiry as established under the Commissions of Inquiry Act 1995; and

(f) other matters incidental thereto.

Members:

Mr P.T. O'Halloran MP (Chair); Mr M.G. Groom MP; Mrs J.A.

Petrusma MP; Ms R. White MP; Mr. B.N. Wightman MP.

Staff:

Secretary:

Mr Shane Donnelly

Reports:

Progress Report.

Meetings:

During the reporting period, the Committee met on 16

occasions.

Select Committee on Costs of Housing, Building and Construction in Tasmania

Function: The terms of reference for the Select Committee on the Costs of

Housing, Building and Construction in Tasmania are as follows:

To inquire into and report upon the Costs of Housing, Building and Construction in Tasmania, including:-

(a) costs associated with land development;

(b) costs of Local Government services;

(c) costs of utility services;

(d) public policy settings impacting upon building costs;

(e) cost of statutory levies and contributions;

(f) costs of builders registrations; and

(g) other matters incidental thereto.

Members:

Mr M.T. Hidding MP (Chair); Ms E.N. Archer MP; Mr B.R. Best

MP; Mr K.D. Booth MP; Ms R. White MP.

Staff:

Secretary:

Ms Laura Ross

Reports:

None

Meetings:

During the reporting period, the Committee met on 10

occasions.

Select Committee on the Gaming Control Amendment Bill

Function: The terms of reference for the Select Committee on the Gaming Control Amendment Bill are as follows:

To inquire and report upon the Gaming Control Amendment Bill 2010 (No. 5) including:

- (a) Potential effects upon venues with Electronic Gaming Machines, should a \$1 limit poker machine restriction measure be implemented;
- (b) the development of an implementation plan that would recommend amelioration of any untoward impacts upon venues;
- (c) the effect on state revenues and amelioration measures;
- (d) Other matters incidental thereto.

Members: Mr K.D. Booth MP (Chair); Mr S. Bacon MP; Mr B.R. Best MP;

Mr P.C. Gutwein MP; Mr J.P. Rockliff MP.

Staff: Secretary: Mr Charles Casimaty.

Reports: None

Meetings: During the reporting period, the Committee met on seven

occasions.

Select Committee on Scottsdale Sawmills

Function: The terms of reference for the Select Committee on Scottsdale Sawmills are as follows:

To inquire into and report upon the Scottsdale softwood sawmills, including: —

(a) The circumstances surrounding the withdrawal of the joint venture softwood log supply from the two Scottsdale softwood sawmills and its transfer to Forest Enterprises Australia at Bell Bay;

- (b) The effect of that action on the Scottsdale and surrounding areas economy;
- (c) Measures to mitigate the social and economic harm resulting from the withdrawal of the softwood log supply; and
- (d) Other matters incidental thereto.

Members:

Mr K.D. Booth MP (Chair); Mr P.C. Gutwein MP; Mr M.D.J. Ferguson MP; Ms. R White MP; Mr B.N. Wightman MP.

Staff:

Secretary: Mr Peter Bennison

Reports:

None.

Meetings:

During the reporting period, the Committee met on five

occasions.

Select Committee into the Tasmanian Water and Sewerage Corporations

Function: The terms of reference for the Select Committee into the Tasmanian Water and Sewerage Corporations are as follows:

To inquire into and report upon the three Tasmanian water and sewerage corporations and the common services corporation Onstream, with particular reference to:-

- (a) the governance structure of the corporations and Onstream;
- (b) the operating structure of the corporations and Onstream;
- (c) the first 12 months financial performance of the corporations and Onstream;
- (d) the impact of the structure, operations and legislation on the effectiveness and efficiency of the corporations and Onstream;
- (e) the impact on future prices for consumers of the current corporate structures;
- (f) the identification of strategies and options to enhance the structure, effectiveness and efficiency of the corporations and Onstream;
- (g) the identification of a suitable transition mechanism to avoid a price shock at the end of

the 5% (cumulative) price cap period on 1 July 2012, whilst ensuring the ongoing financial sustainability and viability of the water and sewerage sector and its capacity to continue the important reform process, including the required investment into critical infrastructure capital upgrades and improvements;

(h) A plan to restructure tariffs to end the cross subsidisation between municipalities and to achieve an equitable pricing structure; and

(i) any other matters incidental thereto.

Members:

Mr P.C. Gutwein MP (Chair); Mr S. Bacon MP; Mr B.R. Best MP; Mr M.T. Hidding MP; Mr T.B. Morris MP.

Staff:

Secretary: Mr Charles Casimaty.

Reports:

Interim Report.

Meetings:

During the reporting period, the Committee met on eleven

occasions.

Part Four: Corporate Goal Three

The Parliament and so the House of Assembly can only achieve the fulfilment of its constitutional role when guided by and accountable to the citizens it represents. The third corporate goal of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly is to promote public awareness of the purpose, functions and work of the House and encourage and facilitate visits by the widest possible range of citizens.

The House of Assembly is the base for several programs designed to educate the public about the parliamentary process, including the Youth Parliament and the United Nations Youth Assembly, as well as the Adult Education program Corridors of Power. In addition, public awareness of current parliamentary business is raised through media releases and maintaining the contact list through which citizens are able to communicate with Members. House of Assembly staff also assist in arranging and conducting tours of the Parliament and group visits to watch the Parliament while it is in session.

At the end of this chapter, the contact details for the House are listed. These contact details may also be found on the Parliament internet site and are available from the entrance foyer of Parliament House. Output information relevant to this section may be found in Table Three.

The Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly also assists in maintaining the Parliament website, from which citizens can inform themselves on the work of the House of Assembly and the Parliament as a whole. Web casts of proceedings for both the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council are available at all sitting times for those interested but unable to attend. Full transcripts of the business of both Houses are available through the Hansard database. Additionally, members of the public can view current Bills before Parliament and follow their progress through both Houses from the Passage of Bills database also available on the website. Information on Committees, including details of current and archived inquiries, reports and transcripts, as well as information on appearing as a witness before a Committee and providing submissions can also be found. The website also provides information on the history of the Tasmanian Parliament and electoral system, a virtual tour of the building and access to the Parliamentary Library catalogue.

The House of Assembly fulfils the third corporate goal by supporting educational programs for all ages. The following information provides more detail on the ways through which it has promoted public awareness of the purpose, functions and work of the House and encouraged and facilitated visits by the widest possible range of citizens in 2010-2011.

Youth Parliament

The YMCA Tasmanian Youth Parliament in September 2010 was conducted using the House of Assembly Chamber from 6 September 2010 to 10 September 2010.

Members of Parliament from the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council assisted with procedure by taking on the role of Presiding Officer for a particular Bill during the Debate. Eleven Bills were introduced and debated by forty four students from schools through out the State. They were guided and assisted by a parliamentary officer and a Taskforce of past participants in Youth Parliament.

United Nations Youth Association

The United Nations Youth Association is a national organisation comprising several divisions educating young people about the role of the United Nations, international affairs and the democratic process. In 2010-2011 the Association conducted various debating activities and competitions over a number of weekends using the House of Assembly Chamber and Committee Rooms.

Corridors of Power

The Corridors of Power program, operated in conjunction with Adult Education, again provided another opportunity for members of the public to learn more about the parliamentary process. As in previous years the Speaker participated in the program which attracted considerable interest.

Group Tours and Visitors

Visitors are welcome to visit the Parliament at all times during normal business hours or when either the House of Assembly or Legislative Council is sitting.

Group bookings for tours during the year included Legal Practice students, Public Service training and induction, seniors and service groups and official delegations.

When either House of Parliament is in session visitors may watch and listen to the proceedings at any time in the public galleries. Many student groups choose to visit when Parliament is in session so that students can observe Question Time.

Tours of the Parliament are available to casual visitors, community groups and school parties on non-sitting days of the Parliament. Tours are generally not

available when Parliament is sitting. The numbers for the visits to the Parliament are shown in the table below.

Members of Parliament also personally conduct tours for constituent guests and community groups. Numbers for these visits are not available.

Table Three: Promotion of public involvement in the working of the Parliament

Agency:	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY			
Output Grouping (no. and	1			
name):	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY SUPPORT SERVICES			
Output Number	1.1			
Output:	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY SUPPORT SERVICES			
Output description:	Promoting public involvement in the working of Parliament.			
Output objective:	Lawful operation of the House, fulfilment of Statutory requirements and the promotion of the role of Parliament.			
Production System:	Produced by the Office of the Clerk of the House.			
User:	Members of the House of Assembly, Local Government authorities, general public.			
Performance Measures:	Performance measures relative to this output are: the level of availability of information on the role and operations of the House and the Parliament through the media of: 1. informal briefings; 2. publications of the House; or 3. electronically through the website. Output: Informal briefings on the role and operations of the House are provided as requested and where appropriate. Publications of the House are both informative and available. The Parliament website is continuously updated as changes occur. It also provides a substantial amount of information on the history and operations of Parliament and the Tasmanian electoral system. the extent to which inquiries about the House and related matters were responded to; Output: Inquiries about the House and related matters have been responded to as required. the extent of support to organisations interested in the role of the House and the Parliament. Output: Support for such agencies has been provided as appropriate.			

TOUR FIGURES JULY 2010 TO JUNE 2011

	Students		Public		Total	
Month	No/s	Groups	No/s	Groups	No/s	Groups
July 2010	421	22	40	7	461	29
August	489	24	15	8	504	32
September	45	2	2	1	47	3
October	296	13	8	5	304	18
November	510	22	26	6	536	28
December	0	0	5	1	5	1
January 2011	0	0	63	19	63	19
February	0	0	36	17	36	17
March	169	5	76	10	245	15
April	50	2	74	4	124	6
May	87	4	31	11	118	15
June	0	0	20	1	20	1
Totals:	2067	94	396	90	2463	184

^{*} Student groups and members of the public who attended Question Time not included

^{*} Tours personally conducted privately by a Member of Parliament not included.

Contact Points and Officers

Postal Address:

<u>Internet Address:</u>

House of Assembly

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Part Five: Corporate Goal Four

The fourth of the corporate goals of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly is to perform all of its functions at the highest attainable levels of professional competence and efficiency. In order to maximise staff proficiency and attain the best possible outputs, the following two strategies are employed. Firstly, the House provides excellent human resource management and so maintains an optimum performance level from all staff members. In addition, the Office of the Clerk of the House remains accountable to the general public and the legal system within which it operates. Both these approaches are vital for the continuing best possible operation of the House.

Training

Staff development and training is integral to the successful functioning of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly. Such tuition assists staff to conduct their business more efficiently. The subjects covered by training courses that were undertaken by staff members in 2010-2011 include: parliamentary procedure and history, information technology, software applications, emergency and security awareness and control, customer service, telephone skills, personal development and taxation matters. The training courses available are designed to maintain and improve the levels of staff competency and awareness, both in the workplace and as individuals.

Equal Employment Opportunity

The House of Assembly is an equal opportunity employer. Representation of House of Assembly staff in equal employment opportunity target groups can be summarised as follows:-

- (i) 46.8% of staff are women;
- (ii) 0% of staff are Aboriginal or of Torres Strait Islander descent; and
- (iii) 0% of staff are disabled.

Industrial Democracy

The House has a co-operative approach to decision making. Because of the small number of employees in the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly, direct and immediate consultation between staff and executive officers is readily available and encouraged. Formal channels of conflict resolution are also accessible by staff of the House.

Occupational Health and Safety

Occupational health and safety is a principal management consideration of the House. The provision of equipment, facilities and programs, such as eye testing for users of screen-based equipment, is designed to ensure the safety and well-being of staff.

Superannuation Declaration

I, Peter Reginald Alcock, hereby certify that the House of Assembly has met its obligations under the *Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act* 1992 of the Commonwealth in respect of any employee who is a member of a complying superannuation scheme to which the House of Assembly contributes.

P. R. Alcock

Clerk of the House of Assembly

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The second means by which the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly meets its corporate goal of performing all of its functions at the highest attainable levels of professional competence and efficiency is through remaining open and accountable to the community it serves. The following are the ways through which the Office of the Clerk of the House maintains its external scrutiny.

Reports by the Auditor-General

The report of the Auditor-General, dated 30 August 2011, on the financial statements, notes and supplementary information for the House of Assembly for the year ended 30 June 2011 is appended hereto.

This Report found that the financial statements complied with statutory requirements and met applicable accounting standards. The Audit Report on the financial statements was unqualified.

Decisions of Courts and Administrative Tribunals

The House of Assembly is not aware of any judicial decisions, or decisions of administrative tribunals, handed down during the year which have significantly affected, or could significantly affect, the operation of the Department.

Client Comments

The major client group of the House of Assembly is the Members of the House. The relationship between the client group and the staff of the House is direct and immediate and the House has not yet had the need for structured and formal arrangements to handle complaints should they arise.

Part Six: Corporate Goal Five

The fifth and final corporate goal of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly is to be a fair and responsible employer, maximising the potential of all members of staff through effective human resource practices. Much of the information relating to this corporate goal is provided in Part Five, amongst the details on staff training, development and security. However, further to the information supplied in the previous chapter, the following section provides details on the organisational structure of the Office of the Clerk of the House, as well as staffing information, and asset and risk management. Output table four, also included in this section, advises on the remuneration of employees. The Financial Statements chapter of this report offers further information on this area.

Staff Information

Members of staff of the House of Assembly are employed pursuant to the provisions of the *Parliamentary Privilege Act 1898*. The total number of employees of the Office of the Clerk of the House for 2010-11 was 19, with the employment level being 18.8 full time equivalents. During the last financial year, the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly spent \$1.8m on employee benefits. During the course of the year, there were 2 staffing separations.

Staff Dissection

	FTEs
Clerks at-the-Table	4
Clerk of Papers	1
Manager - Finance	1
Parliamentary Officer	1
Parliamentary Attendants	5.8
Committee Secretary	1
Personal Assistant to Clerk of the House & Speaker	1
Personal Assistant to Deputy Clerk & Chairman	_
of Committees	1
Personal Assistant to Clerk-Assistant, Second	•
Clerk-Assistant, Clerk of Papers & Assistant to	
Government Private Members	1
Administrative Assistant - Committees	1
Computer Systems Officer	1
TOTAL	18.8

Table Four: Payments Administered by the House of Assembly

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY			
2			
PAYMENTS ADMINISTERED BY THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY			
2.1			
PAYMENTS ADMINISTERED BY THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY			
Payment of salary and allowances as prescribed by the Parliamentary Salaries Superannuation and Allowances Act 1973.			
Disbursement of prescribed payments.			
Office of the Clerk of the House			
Members of the House of Assembly.			
Not Applicable			
Performance measures relative to this output are:-			
 the extent to which payments of salaries and allowances to Members are prepared with due regard to accuracy and timeliness; 			
Output: Throughout the 2010-2011 financial year, payments of salaries and allowances have consistently been provided in an accurate and timely manner.			
 the extent of verification of travel allowance claims to ensure their correctness Output: Travel allowance and such claims are regularly verified to ensure accuracy. 			
 the extent of maintaining effective control over the expenditure of the Office to ensure that all payments are properly authorised and timely in processing and that the total expenditure of the Office is within budget parameters. 			
Output: The management of the expenditure of the Office has at all times throughout the financial year 2010-2011 remained properly authorised and within budget parameters.			

The organisational structure of the Office of the Clerk of the House is illustrated on the following page, offering additional information on the above.

Asset Management

The House of Assembly Accounting Manual prescribes the management processes to be followed in relation to the Inventory and Asset Register.

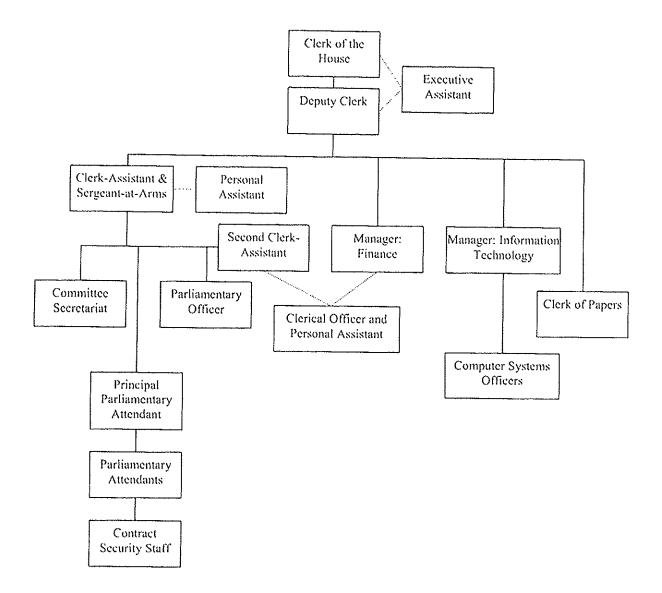
Risk Management

The House of Assembly Accounting Manual prescribes the administrative procedures and practices of the House of Assembly in relation to risk management.

Corporate/Program Structure

The corporate and program structure of the House are one and the same.

Organisation Chart



Other Matters

COMPLIANCE INDEX TO DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

This index has been prepared to facilitate identification of compliance with statutory disclosure requirements: Financial Management and Audit Act 1990 (FMAA) and Treasurer's Instructions (TI), the Tasmanian State Service Act 1984 (TSS) including Statutory Rule No. 123 of 1990 Tasmanian State Service (Agency Reporting) Regulations (TSS(AR)R), the Public Sector Superannuation Reform Act 1999 (PSSRA) and other contemporary reporting practices.

REFERENCE	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	
AIDS TO ACCESS			
	Table of Contents.	1	
	Alphabetical Index (for annual reports greater than 50 pages).	N/I	
OVERVIEW	Glossary of abbreviations and acronyms.	N/I	
TSS(AR)R3(a)(i)	Overall mission and objectives of department including its strategic plan and related programs.	3	
FMAA s.27(1)(a) TSS s.33AB(1)(a)	A report on the performance of the functions and powers of the Head of Agency under any written law.	N/A	
FMAA s.27(1)(b) subject to S.27(2) TSS s.33AB(1)(B)	A report by any statutory office holder employed in or attached to the department except where required to report under any other Act.	N/A	
TSS(AR)(R)3(a)(v)	Major initiatives taken to develop and give effect to Government policy.	N/A	
T1 701(1)(b) TSS(AR)R 3(a)(iv)	Details of major changes affecting programs, objectives or organisational structure.	N/A	
STATUTORY/NON	-STATUTORY BODIES AND COMPANIES	N/A	
	A list of statutory and non-statutory bodies. A list of names of companies		
LEGISLATION ADMINISTERED AND MAJOR DOCUMENTS PRODUCED			
TSS(AR)R 3(e)	A list of legislation administered by the Department.	7	
TSS(AR)R 3(d)(i)	A list of major documents or publications produced.	5	
ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE			
TSS(AR)R 3(a)(ii)	Organisation Chart as at the end of the reporting year.	29	
TSS(AR)R 3(a)(iii)	Details of relationship between corporate and program structure	28	

REFERENCE	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION		
PERFORMANCE INFORMATION				
T1 701 (1)(a) & (e)	A summary of the outputs of the department, showing their objectives and functions, together with significant outcomes and performance measures.	8, 9, 21, 28		
HUMAN RESOURCE	CE MANAGEMENT			
TSS(AR)R 3(c)(i)	Staffing information as at 30th June. (Refer to Public Sector Management Office guidelines).	27		
TSS(AR)R 3(c)(ii)	Eligible training courses and staff development activities.	24		
TSS(AR)R 3(c)(iii)	Equal Employment Opportunity.	24		
TSS(AR)R 3(c)(iv) TSS(AR)R 3(d)(iii)	Industrial democracy plans with outline of process available for appeals against decisions by department.	24		
TSS(AR)R 3(c)(v)	Occupational health and safety strategies.	25		
PSSRA s.13	Statement regarding contributions to non-RBF superannuation funds, including a report that the Department has met its obligations under the Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992.	25		
ASSET MANAGEM	IENT AND RISK POLICIES			
TI 701 (1)(d)(i) &(ii)	Major capital projects	N/A		
TI 701 (1)(g)	Asset management policies, strategies and initiatives.	28		
TI 701 (1)(c)	Pricing policies of goods and services.	N/A		
TI 701 (1)(f)	Risk management policies, activities or initiatives.	28		
TI 701 (1)(h)	Support for local business	7		
EXTERNAL/INTERNAL SCRUTINY				
	Consultants engaged during the period.	26		
	A list of titles and publishing dates of reports by any internal or external body. (These may include quality assurance reviews, internal audit activities, Ombudsman enquiries, Auditor-General enquiries, enquiries by Parliamentary committees).	26		

REFERENCE	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
PUBLIC ACCESS A		
TSS(AR)R 3(d)(ii)	A list of contact officers and points of public access	23
TSS(AR)R 3(d)(i)	Activities undertaken to develop community awareness of the services the department provides.	19
	Freedom of Information details.	N/A
ANY OTHER MAT	TERS	
TI 701(1)(j)	Any other matters considered relevant for inclusion	59
FINANCIAL STAT		
TI 701(1)(I) & (m) FMAA s.27(2)&(3) FMAA s.27(1)(c)	Financial statements of the department including statements of any public body not required to report under any other Act, together with the audit opinion on those statements.	33

P R ALCOCK

CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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27th OCTOBER 2011



PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR 2010 - 2011



Tasmanian Audit Office

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To Members of the Parliament of Tasmania

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2011

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of House of Assembly (the House), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2011, the statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the statement by the Clerk of the House.

Auditor's Opinion

In my opinion the House's financial statements:

- (a) present fairly, in all material respects, its financial position as at 30 June 2011, and its financial performance, cash flows and changes in equity for the year then ended; and
- (b) are in accordance with the Financial Management and Audit Act 1990 and Australian Accounting Standards.

The Responsibility of the Clerk for the Financial Statements

The Clerk of the House is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Section 27 (1) of the Financial Management and Audit Act 1990. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based upon my audit. My audit was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Clerk's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate to the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the House's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Clerk, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

My audit is not designed to provide assurance on the accuracy and appropriateness of the budget information in the House's financial statements.

Independence

In conducting this audit, I have complied with the independence requirements of Australian Auditing Standards and other relevant ethical requirements. The *Audit Act 2008* further promotes independence by:

- providing that only Parliament, and not the executive government, can remove an Auditor-General, and
- mandating the Auditor-General as auditor of State Entities but precluding the provision of non-audit services, thus ensuring the Auditor-General and the Tasmanian Audit Office are not compromised in their role by the possibility of losing clients or income.

TASMANIAN AUDIT OFFICE

H M Blake

AUDITOR-GENERAL

HOBART 30 August 2011

CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying financial statements of the House of Assembly are in agreement with the relevant accounts and records and have been prepared in compliance with Treasurer's Instructions issued under the provisions of the *Financial Management and Audit Act 1990* to present fairly the financial transactions for the year ended 30 June 2011 and the financial position as at the end of the year.

At the date of signing, I am not aware of any circumstances which would render the particulars included in the financial statements misleading or inaccurate.

P R Alcock

Clerk of the House

11 August 2011

House of Assembly

Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2011

Continuing operations		Note	2011 \$'000 Budget	2011 \$'000 Actual	2010 \$'000 Actual
Revenue and other income from transactions Appropriation revenue - recurrent Appropriation revenue - recurrent Appropriation revenue - recurrent 1.6(a),3.1 7,322 7,400 7,131 Total revenue and other income from transactions Expenses from transactions Employee and Member benefits 1.7(a),4.1 6,055 6,811 6,423 Depreciation 1.7(b),4.2 46 45 41 Supplies and consumables 4.3 1,195 563 499 Other expenses 4.4 81 105 98 Total expenses from transactions Net result from transactions (net operating balance) Other economic flows - other non-owner changes in equity Change in physical asset revaluation reserve 8 - 610 - 101 Total other economic flows - other non-owner changes in equity Change in physical asset revaluation reserve 8 - 610 - 610 Comprehensive Result (55)	Continuing operations				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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This Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes. Budget information refers to original estimates and has not been subject to audit. Explanations of variances between budget and actual outcomes are provided in Note 12.1 of accompanying notes.

House of Assembly
Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2011

	Note	2011 \$'000 Budget	2011 \$'000 Actual	2010 \$'000 Actual
ASSETS				
Financial Assets				
Cash and deposits Receivables	1.8(a),9.1	3	4	4
Non-financial Assets	1.8(b),6.1	14	42	5
Prepaid expenses Plant and equipment	10000	5	6	14
TOTAL ASSETS	1.8(c),6.2	1,317	1,893	1,328
LIABILITIES		1,339	1,945	1,351
Payables Employee benefits	1.9(a),7.2	190	128	70
Other liabilities	1.9(b),7.1 7.3	796 40	791 46	746
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,026	965	41 857
NET ASSETS	Parks Normal	313	980	494
EQUITY	·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		434
Accumulated funds		38	95	219
Asset revaluation reserve	8	275	885	275
TOTAL EQUITY		313	980	494

This Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes. Budget information refers to original estimates and has not been subject to audit. Explanations of variances between budget and actual outcomes are provided in Note 12.2 of accompanying notes.

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Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 30 June 2011

Statement of Cash Flows f	or the year	ended 30 Ju	ne 2011	
Cash flows from operating activities	Note	2011 \$'000 Budget	2011 \$'000 Actual	2010 \$'000 Actual
Cash inflows				
Appropriation revenue - recurrent				
GST receipts		7,322	7,400	7,131
Other cash receipts		94	101	110
Total cash inflows	•	0	0	0
		7,416	7,501	7,241
Cash outflows				
Employee and Member benefits Supplies and consumables Other GST payments		(6,026) (1,195) (81) (94)	(6,735) (564) (101)	(6,328) (721) (81)
Takal		(04)	(101)	(110)
Total cash outflows	-	(7,396)	(7,501)	(7,240)
Net cash from (used by) operating activities	9.2	20	0	1
Cash flows from investing activities Cash Outflows	_			
Payments for acquisition of assets Total cash outflows	•	(20)	0	0
		(20)	0	0
Net cash from (used by) investing activities	<u>-</u>	(20)	0	0
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		0	0	1
Cash at the beginning of the reporting period	•	3	4	3
Cash at the end of the reporting period	9.1	3	4	4

This Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes. Budget information refers to original estimates and has not been subject to audit. Explanations of variances between budget and actual outcomes are provided in Note 12.3 of accompanying notes.

House of Assembly Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30 June 2011

		Reserves	Accumulated surplus/ deficit	Total equity
Balance as at 1 July 2010	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
at Foury 2010		275	218	493
Total comprehensive result		610	(124)	486
Balance as at 30 June 2011		885	94	979
,		Reserves	Accumulated surplus/ deficit	Total equity
Salanco ao et d. L.	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	¢1000
Balance as at 1 July 2009		275	148	\$'000 423
otal comprehensive result		·	70	70
alance as at 30 June 2010		275	218	493

Note that accumulated surplus/deficit includes both contributed capital on formation of the House and accumulated surpluses or deficits in subsequent years.

This Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

House of Assembly

Notes to and forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2011

Note 1 Significant Accounting Policies

1.1 Objectives and funding

The House of Assembly (the House), together with the Legislative Council and His Excellency the Governor, constitute the Parliament of Tasmania, which has the responsibility to consider legislation and to authorise the expenditure of State monies.

The office of The Clerk of the House of Assembly provides the House, its Committees, the Speaker of the House and Members with advisory, procedural, research and administrative support services to assist them to effectively undertake their constitutional and Parliamentary duties.

The objectives of the office of the Clerk of the House are:-

- to support the House in its constitutional role
- to provide the highest levels of advice and procedural research and administrative services necessary for the effective functioning of the House, its committees and Members
- to promote public awareness of the purpose, functions and work of the House and encourage and facilitate visits by the widest possible range of citizens
- to perform all of its functions at the highest attainable levels of professional competence and efficiency
- to be a fair and responsive employer, maximising the potential of all its staff through effective human resource practices

The House is predominantly funded by Parliamentary appropriations and reserved by law appropriations for the above services and for the administration of the payment of salaries and allowances as prescribed by the Parliamentary Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act 1973.

The financial report encompasses all Funds through which the House controls resources to carry on its functions.

1.2 Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are a general purpose financial report and have been prepared in accordance with:

- Australian Accounting Standards issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board and Interpretations; and
- The Treasurer's Instructions issued under the provisions of the Financial Management and Audit Act 1990.

Compliance with the Australian Accounting Standards (AASBs and AASs) may not result in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as the AASBs and AASs include requirements and

options available to not-for-profit organisations that are inconsistent with IFRS. The House is considered to be not-for-profit and has adopted some accounting policies under AASBs and AASs that do not comply with

The Financial Statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and, except where stated, are in accordance with the historical cost convention. The accounting policies are generally consistent with the previous year except for those changes outlined below.

The Financial Statements have been prepared as a going concern.

The financial statements were signed by the Clerk of the House on 11th August 2011.

1.3 Reporting Entity

The financial statements include all the controlled activities of the House. The financial statements consolidate material transactions and balances of the House and transactions included in its output groups.

1.4 Functional and Presentation Currency

These financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the House's functional currency.

1.5 Changes in Accounting Policies

(a) Impact of new and revised Accounting Standards

In the current year, the House has adopted all of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board that are relevant to its operations and effective for the current annual reporting period. These include:

- AASB 2008-3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 3 and AASB 127 -This Standard introduces some minor terminology changes. There is no expected financial impact of applying these changes,
- AASB 2009-5 Further Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Annual Improvements Project - This Standard introduces small disclosure and classification changes. There is no expected financial impact of applying these changes.

(b) Impact of new and revised Accounting Standards yet to be applied

The following applicable Standards have been issued by the AASB and are yet to be applied:

- AASB 2009-11 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9 The amendments require modification to the disclosure of categories of financial assets. It is not anticipated
- AASB 1053 Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards This Standard establishes a differential financial reporting framework consisting of two tiers of reporting requirements for preparing general purpose financial statements. The Standard does not have any financial impact on the House. However, it may affect disclosures if reduced disclosure requirements apply.
- AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures This standard sets out the Australian-specific disclosures for entities that have adopted Australian Accounting Standards that are additional to the requirements under International Financial Reporting Standards in areas such as the nature of financial statements (general purpose or special purpose), audit fees and the reconciliation of net operating cash flow to profit (loss). It is not anticipated that there will be any financial impact.

- AASB 2010-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements - This Standard makes amendments to introduce reduced disclosure requirements for certain types of entities. There is no expected financial impact of applying these changes, as the House
- AASB 2010-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards Disclosures on Transfers of Financial Assets – This Standard includes additional presentation and disclosure requirements for financial assets.
- AASB 2010-7 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9 This Standard makes minor revisions, however it is not expected to have a financial impact.
- AASB 2009-12 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards -- This Standard introduces a number of terminology changes. There is no expected financial impact.
- AASB 2010-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards This Standard introduces terminology changes as well as presentation changes, however, there is no financial impact from these revisions.

The adoption of these Standards is estimated to result in no financial impact on the House.

1.6 Income

Income is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income when an increase in future economic benefits related to an increase in an asset or a decrease of a liability has arisen that can be measured reliably.

a) Appropriation Revenue

Appropriations, whether recurrent or capital are recognised as revenues in the period in which the House

b) Other Revenue

Revenues are recognised when they are controlled by the House.

1.7 Expenses

Expenses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income when a decrease in future economic benefits related to a decrease in asset or an increase of a liability has arisen that can be measured reliably.

a) Employee Benefits

Employee benefits include entitlements of staff to wages, salaries and allowances, annual leave, sick leave, long service leave, superannuation and other post-employment benefits and Member entitlements as prescribed by the Parliamentary Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act 1973.

b) Depreciation and Amortisation

With the exception of antique furniture and artworks and artefacts, which are not depreciated on the basis that they have an unlimited useful life, all non-current assets having a limited useful life are systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner which reflects the consumption of their service potential.

Depreciation is provided for on a straight line basis, using rates which are reviewed annually. Major

Computer Equipment Furniture and Fittings 3 years Plant and Equipment 10 years 10 years

1.8 Assets

Assets are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position when it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied in the asset will eventuate and the asset possesses a cost or other value that can be

a) Cash and Deposits

Cash means notes, coins and deposits held at call with a bank or financial institution, as well as funds held in the Special Deposits and Trust Fund. b) Receivables

Receivables are recognised at the amounts receivable as they are due for settlement. Collectability of receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectible, are written off. A provision for doubtful debts is raised where some doubts exist as to collection.

c) Non-financial assets

(i) Valuation basis

Heritage assets are valued on the fair value basis. Equipment and other non-current assets are recorded at historical cost. Fair Value is 'the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled between knowledgeable willing parties in an arms length transaction'.

(ii) Asset recognition threshold

With the exception of antique furniture and artworks and artefacts the asset capitalisation threshold adopted by the House is \$5,000. Assets valued at less than \$5,000 are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the year of purchase (other than where they form part of a group of similar items which are significant in total). Antique furniture and artworks and artefacts are treated as discrete groups of assets and all items in these groups are recorded as non current assets. (iii) Revaluations

The House has adopted a revaluation threshold of \$5,000 above which assets are revalued on a fair value

Assets are grouped on the basis of having a similar nature or function in the operations of the House. 1.9 Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position when it is probable that the future sacrifice of economic benefits will be required and the amount of the liability can be measured reliably.

a) Payables

Payables, including goods received and services incurred but not yet invoiced, are recognised when the House becomes obliged to make future payments as a result of a purchase of assets or services.

b) Employee Benefits

Liabilities for wages and salaries and annual leave are recognised, and are measured as the amount unpaid at the reporting date at expected pay rates in respect of employees' services up to that date.

A liability for long service leave is recognised, and is measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date.

c) Superannuation

No superannuation liability is recognised for the accruing superannuation benefits of House members and employees. This liability is held centrally and recognised within the Finance-General Division of the

During the reporting period, the House paid 12.3% of salary in respect of contributory members of the Retirement Benefits Fund into the Superannuation Provision Account within the Special Deposits and Trust Fund. The House paid the appropriate Superannuation Guarantee Charge into the nominated superannuation fund in respect of non-contributors.

d) Leases

The House has entered into a number of operating lease agreements for vehicles and office equipment, where the lessors effectively retain all the risks and benefits incidental to ownership of the items leased. Equal instalments of lease payments are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income over the lease term, as this is representative of the pattern of benefits to be derived from the leased property.

The House is prohibited by Treasurer's Instruction 502 Leases from holding finance leases.

1.10 Judgements and Assumptions

In the application of Australian Accounting Standards, the House is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods. Judgements made by the House that have significant effects on the financial statements are, where relevant, disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

The House has made no assumptions concerning the future that may cause a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

1.11 Comparative Figures

Comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation in these financial statements where required and permitted by accounting standards.

1.12 Budget Information

Budget information refers to original estimates as disclosed in the 2010-11 Budget Papers and is not subject

1.13 Rounding

All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars unless otherwise

1.14 Taxation

The House is exempt from all forms of taxation except fringe benefits tax, payroll tax and the goods and services tax.

1.15 Goods and Services Tax

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of Goods and Services Tax, except where the GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of GST. The net amount recoverable, or payable, to the ATO is recognised as an asset or liability within the Statement of Financial Position.

In the Cash Flow Statement, the GST component of cash flows arising from operating, investing or financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Taxation Office is, in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards, classified as operating cash flows.

Note 2 Events Occurring after Balance Date

There have been no events subsequent to balance date which would have a material effect of the House's financial statements as at 30 June 2011.

Note 3 Income

3.1 Appropriation Revenue

Revenue from Government includes revenue from appropriations, including appropriations carried forward under section 8A of the *Public Account Act 1986*, and from items Reserved by Law.

Recurrent Appropriation	2011 Original Budget \$'000	2011 Actual \$'000	2010 Actual \$'000
•	2,251	2,416	2,208
Items Reserved by Law R003 Parliamentary Salaries and Allowances (Parliamentary Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act 1973)	4,351	4,328	4,236
R004 Travelling Allowances (Parliamentary Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act 1973) R005 Members' Committee Fees and Allowances	689	646	661
(Parliamentary Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act 1973) Total Revenue From Government	31	10	26
Revenue From Government	7,322	7,400	7,131

Note 4 Expenses

4.1 Employee and Member Benefits

Wages and salaries (including fringe benefits	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
and non monetary components) Annual leave Long service leave Superannuation	6,084 193 60 475	5,788 168 59 408
	6,812	6,423

Superannuation expenses relating to defined benefits schemes relate to payments into the Superannuation Provision Account (SPA) held centrally and recognised within the Finance-General Division of the Department of Treasury and Finance. The amount of the payment is based on an employer contribution rate determined by the Treasurer, on the advice of the State Actuary. The current employer contribution is

Superannuation expenses relating to accumulation schemes are paid directly to nominated superannuation funds at a rate of 9 per cent of salary. In addition, the House is required to pay into the SPA a "gap" payment equivalent to 3.3 per cent of salary in respect of employees who are members of accumulation schemes.

4.2 Depreciation

Computer equipment Furniture and fittings Plant and Equipment Total	2011 \$'000 8 20 17	2010 \$'000 1 23 17
	45	41

4.3 Supplies and Consumables

Audit expenses Supplies and consumables Equipment costs Communications Travel Information Technology Other	2011 \$'000 16 31 12 136 167 22 179	2010 \$'000 15 18 11 130 119 23 183
	563	499

4.4 Other Expenses

Payroll tax	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Total	105	98
House Output Schedules	105	98

Note 5 House Output Schedules

5.1 Output Group Information

Information about the House's outputs and the expenses and revenues which are reliably attributable

5.2 Output Summary

Output Group 1 - House of Assembly Support Services

This output provides procedural and administrative support to the House, its Committees and Members.

The objectives of this output group are the lawful operation of the House and its Committees, the fulfillment of Statutory requirements and the promotion of the role of the Parliament. This output group is produced internally by the office of the Clerk of the House.

Output Group 2 - Payments administered by the House of Assembly

This output group relates to the payment of salaries and allowances as prescribed by the *Parliamentary* salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act 1973. This output group is produced internally by the office of the House.

5.3 Statement of Outputs

Note: the following information has been prepared on an accrual accounting basis.

Output Group 1 - House of Asser	mbly Support Services	3	
Continuing operations Revenue and other income from transactions	2011 \$'000 Budget	2011 \$'000 Actual	2010 \$'000 Actual
Revenue from appropriation Other revenue	2,251	2,416	2,208

Total revenue and all	- •
Total revenue and other income from transactions	
	2,251 2,416 2,208
Expenses from transactions	

1,800	1,585
45	41
136	130
167	120
22	23
342	323
	45 136 167 22

		342	323
Total expenses from transactions	2,306	0.540	
Net result from transactions of	2,306	2,512	2,222
Net result from transactions (net operating balance)	(55)	(96)	(14)

Net result from transactions (net operating balance)	(55)	(96)	(14)
Expense by output House of Assembly Support Services Select Committee Support Services Investigatory Committee Support Services	2,196 7 103	2,404 31 77	2,116 7 99
Total	2,306	2,512	2,222

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Net Assets Total assets deployed for House of Assembly Support services Total liabilities incurred for House of Assembly Support services Net assets deployed for House of Assembly Support services	1,945 (949)	1,351 (853)
	 996	498

Output Group 2 - Payments administered by th			
the duministered by the	ie House of As	eamble.	
Continuing operations Revenue from transactions Revenue from appropriations	2011 \$'000 Budget	2011 \$'000 Actual	2010 \$'000 Actual
Total revenue from transactions	5,071	4,984	4,923
	5,071	4,984	4,923
Expenses from transactions Parliamentary salaries and allowances Parliamentary travelling allowances Parliamentary Committee fees and allowances	4,3 51 689	4,330 672	4,199
Total expenses from transactions Net result	31 5,071	10	615 25
	0	5,012	4,839
Expense by output Payments administered by House of Assembly		(28)	84
Total	5,071	5,012	4,839
Net Assets —	5,071	5,012	4,839
Total assets deployed for Payments administered by House of			1,003
Total liabilities incurred for Payments administered by House of		0	0
Net assets deployed for Payments administered by House of		(16)	(4)
		(16)	(4)

Reconciliation of Total Output Groups comprehensive result of Output Groups	2011 Budget \$'000	2011 Actual \$'000	2010 Actual \$'000
	(55)	(125)	7
Reconciliation to comprehensive result Change in asset revaluation reserve			
and disect revaluation reserve	_	040	
Comprehensive result		610	
	(55)	485	7(
Reconciliation of Total Output Groups Not Asset			
Reconciliation of Total Output Groups Net Assets to Stateme	ent of financial posi	tion 2011	2010
			2010 Actual
		2011	-
otal net assets deployed for Output Groups		2011 Actual	Actual \$'000
otal net assets deployed for Output Groups Reconciliation to net assets assets unallocated to Output Groups		2011 Actual \$'000	Actual \$'000
Reconciliation of Total Output Groups Net Assets to Statemer Total net assets deployed for Output Groups Reconciliation to net assets Assets unallocated to Output Groups iabilities unallocated to Output Groups		2011 Actual \$'000	Actual

Note 6 Assets

6.1 Receivables	2011 \$′000	2010
Other receivables Less: Provision for Impairment		\$7000
and appairment	42	5
Settled within 12 months Total	42	5
6.2 Furniture, Fittings and Computer Equipment	42 42	<u>5</u>
Allule Firnitus		
At fair Value * /9 August 2040		
Total Antique Furniture	1,015	_ 716
Artworks and Artefacts	1,015	716
At lair Value** (August 2042)		<u></u>
Total Artworks and Artefacts	712	402
Plant and Equipment At cost	712	402
Less: accumulated depreciation	168	400
Total Plant and Equipment	(89)	168 (72)
Furniture and Fittings At cost	79	96
Less: accumulated depreciation	237	000
Total Furniture and Fittings	(153)	237 (133)
Computer Equipment At cost	84	104
Less: accumulated depreciation	230	
Total Computer Equipment	(227)	230 (220)
	3	10
Total furniture, fittings and computer equipment	1,893	1,328
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^{*} The latest revaluations as at 9 August 2010 were independently conducted. The valuer was Mr A F Colman (Approved government valuer). The revaluation was based on replacement value.

^{**} The latest revaluations as at August 2010 were independently conducted. Artworks were valued in August 2010 by Mr W N Hurst (Director, Masterpiece Gallery) and the Mace in February 2009 by Mr P Thomson R.J. dip F.G.A.(London). Revaluations were based on replacement value.

6.3 Reconciliation of movements
Reconciliations of the carrying amounts of each class of property, plant and equipment at
the beginning and end of the current and previous financial year are set out below.

2011 Carrying value at 1 July	Antique Furniture \$'000	Artworks and Artefacts \$'000	Furniture and Fittings \$'000	Plant and Equipment \$'000	Computer Equipment	Total
Revaluations increments (decrements) Depreciation/amortisation expense	716 299	402 310	104 (21)	96	10	\$'000 1,328 609
Carrying value at 30 June	1,015	712	83	(17) 79	(7)	(45) 1,892

2010 Carrying value at 1 July	Antique Furniture	Artworks and Artefacts \$'000	Furniture and Fittings \$'000	Plant and Equipment \$'000	Computer Equipment \$'000	Total \$'000
Depreciation/amortisation expense	716	402	127	112	12	1,369
Carrying value at 30 June	74.0	-	(23)	(16)	(2)	(41)
	716	402	104	96	10	1,328

Note 7 Liabilities

7.1 Employee Benefits Accrued salaries Annual leave Long service leave	2011 \$'000 59 302	2010 \$'000 52
Total	430	286 408
Due within 12 months Due in more than 12 months Total	471 320	746 359 387
7.2 Payables Creditors		746 70
Total Due within 12 months	128	70
Total 7.3 Other Liabilities Accrued expenses	128 128	
Total Due within 12 months	<u>46</u> <u>46</u>	41 41
Due in more than 12 months Total	29 17 46	21 20 41

Note 8 Reserves

Asset revaluation reserve	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Revaluation increments / (decrements)	275	275
alance at end of financial year	610	0

Asset Revaluation Reserve

The Asset Revaluation Reserve is used to record increments and decrements on the revaluation of Non-financial assets, as described in Note 1.8(c).

Note 9 Cash Flow Reconciliation

9.1 Cash and deposits

Cash and deposits includes the balance of the Special Deposits and Trust Fund Account held by the House, and other cash held, excluding those accounts which are administered or held in a trustee capacity or agency arrangement.

o y arrangement.	which are administered or hi	eld in a trustee
Special Deposits and Trust Fund balance House of Assembly operating account	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Total	4	4
Other cash held	4	4
Cash on hand		•
Total	-	<u>.</u>
	4	4

9.2 Reconciliation of net result to net cash from operating activities:	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Depreciation and amortisation Decrease (increase) in receivables Decrease (increase) in prepayments Increase (decrease) in employee benefits Increase (decrease) in payables and other liabilities Net cash from (used by) operating activities	(124) 45 (37) 8 45 63	70 41 9 (9) 8 (118)
	0	1

Note 10 Financial Instruments

10.1 Risk exposures

(a) Risk management policies

The House has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

- liquidity risk; and
- market risk.

The Clerk of the House has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the House's risk management framework. Risk management policies are established to identify and analyse risks faced by the House, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits.

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the House if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument falls

The carrying amount of financial assets recorded in the financial statements, net of any allowances for losses, represents the Houses maximum exposure to credit risk. The House does not hold any collateral or

The following tables analyse financial assets that are past due but not impaired:

Analysis of financial assets that are past due at 30 June 2011 but not impaired

and tale past due a	t 30 June 2011 t	out not impair	ed_		
	31 to 60 days	61 to 90	Past due over 90		7
Receivables	\$'000	days \$'000	days \$'000	Total \$'000	
Analysis of financial assets that are past during	-	-	-	0 000	

Analysis of financial assets that are past due at 30 June 2010 but not impaired

Past due 31 to 60 days \$'000	Past due Past due 61 to 90 days \$'000	Past due over 90 days \$'000	Total	
-	-	\$'000 2	\$'000	

Receivables

(c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the House will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The House's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its

House's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when they fall due.

The following tables detail the undiscounted cash flows payable by the House by remaining contractual maturity for its financial liabilities. It should be noted that as these are undiscounted, totals may not reconcile to the carrying amounts presented in the Statement of Financial Position:

2011

		Matur	ity analysis f	or financial fi	abilities			
Financial Assets Cash in special deposits and trust fund	1 Year \$'000	2 Years \$'000	3 years \$'000	4 years S'000	5 Years \$'000	More than 5 Years \$'000	Undiscounted Total \$'000	Carrying Amount \$'008
Receivables Total	42 46						4	4
Financial Liabilities Payables Other financial	128						42 46	<u>42</u> <u>46</u>
liabilities Total	46 174						128	128
•							46 174	<u>46</u> 174

2010

		Matur	ity analysis f	or financial ():	blittee			
Financial Assets Cash in special deposits and trust fund	1 Year \$'000	2 Years \$'000	3 years \$'000	4 years \$'000	5 Years \$'000	More than 5 Years \$'000	Undiscounsed Tatal \$1000	Carrying Amount \$1060
Receivables Total	5						4	4
Financial Liabilities							5	5
Payables Other financial	70						9	9
liabilities Total	41						70	70
•							41	41
(d) Market risk				_			- 11	111

Market risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of

10.2 Categories of Financial Assets and Liabilities

Septimities		
Financial assets Cash and cash equivalents Receivables		2010 \$'000
Total Financial liabilities Payables	4 42 46	4 5 9
Other financial liabilities Total There has been no change, during the period and current in financial liabilities that it is a second control of the period and current in financial liabilities that it is a second control of the period and current in financial liabilities that it is a second control of the period and current in financial liabilities that it is a second control of the period and current in financial liabilities.	128 46 1741	70 41 11

There has been no change, during the period and cumulatively, in the fair value of any receivables or financial liabilities that is attributable to changes in the credit risk of that asset or liability.

10.3 Net Fair Values of Financial Assets and Liabilities
The House does not have any financial assets or financial liabilities carried at fair value.

Note 11 Commitments and Contingencies

Schedule of Commitments

on commitments		
By Type Lease Commitments Operating lease (photocopier)	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000
Operating lease (photocopier) Total lease commitments By Maturity	10 285 295	14 235 249
Operating lease commitments One year or less From one to five years More than five years Total operating lease commitments	220 75 0 295	199 50 0 249

Explanations of Material Variances between Budget and Actual Outcomes The following are brief explanations of material variances between Budget estimates and actual outcomes. Variances are considered material where the variance exceeds the greater of 10 per cent of Budget

12.1 Statement of Comprehensive Income

Trionch(S)	ive income	•			
Employee and Member benefits Supplies and consumables Change in asset revaluation	3.1	Budget \$'000 6,055 1,195	\$'000 6,811	Variance \$'000 (756)	%
	(c)		563	632	(12,5) 52.9
Notes to Statement of Comprehens	ilve Incom		610	610	N.A.

Notes to Statement of Comprehensive Income variances

(a) and (b) The increase in Employee and Member benefits and the reduction in Supplies and Consumables (a) and (b) The increase in Employee and Member benefits and the reduction in Supplies and Consumables is as a result of the classification of expenditure directly related to employee entitlements as Supplies and Consumables in the budget. These expenses mainly relate to the provision of motor vehicles to Members as an entitlement under the Parliamentary Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act 1973. (c) This increase reflects the revaluation of Antique Furniture and Artwork and Artefacts which was not included in budget estimates.

and thosition				THOUSE TATIFICATION	
Receivables Plant and Equipment Asset Revaluation Reserve Notes to Statement of Financial P	Note (a) (b) (c) Position vari	Budget \$'000 14 1,317 275 ances	Actual \$'000 42 1,893 885	Variance \$'000 28 576 610	Variance % 200.0 43.7 221.8

- (a) Receivables were greater than expected when preparing budget estimates.
- (b) and (c) The increase in Plant and Equipment and Asset Revaluation Reserve reflects the revaluation of antique furniture and artworks which was not included in budget estimates. 12.3 Cash Flow Statement

Employee and Member benefits Supplies and consumables Notes to Cash Flow Statement vari	Note	Budget	Actual	Variance	Variance
	(a)	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
	(b)	6,026	6,735	(709)	(11.8)
	ances	1,195	564	631	52.8

(a) and (b) The increase in Employee and Member benefits and the reduction in Supplies and Consumables is as a result of the classification of expenditure directly related to employee entitlements as Supplies and Consumables in the budget. These expenses mainly relate to the provision of motor vehicles to Members as an entitlement under the Parliamentary Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act 1973.



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The Honourable Peter George Underwood, LLB, AO

The Lieutenant-Governor
The Honourable Justice Ewan Crawford

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The Honourable William Edward Felix Hodgman MP

Deputy Leader of the Opposition Mr Jeremy Page Rockliff MP

Whips

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SECOND SESSION OF THE FORTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2010

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THE BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE DURING 2010

GENERAL SUMMARY

Number of Sitting Days of the House
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Matters of Public Importance value 1
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Third Reading50
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Agreed to by both Houses50
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Received Royal Assent
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Bills debated under suspension of standing orders
Lapsed due to Prorogation
Bills ruled out of Order
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RESOLUTIONS

Condolence Resolution: Cumbria, UK Shootings, 8 June.

Condolence Resolution: The Late Honourable Suzanne Deidre Napier, 24 August.

Condolence Resolution: The Late Honourable Brendan Aloysius Lyons, 21 September,

Condolence Resolution: The Late Honourable Kenneth Shaw Wriedt, 20 October.

MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS

Ministerial Appointments, 4 May.

Tasmanian Energy System, 16 June.

Victorian Bushfire Royal Commission Findings, 28 September.

Risdon Prison, 12 October.

Ministerial Changes, 11 November.

PETITIONS PRESENTED TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

Channel Highway between Margate and Gemalla Road, that a safety review be undertaken and an action planned formed for, 8 June.

Huon Highway between Braeside Road and Fleurty's Road, that a safety review be undertaken and an action plan formed for, 8 June.

High Intensity Forest Burns, that they cease, 9 June.

Castray Esplanade, that an all weather taxi rank shelter be built in, 10 June.

Duck Shooting, that it be banned in Tasmania, 10 June.

Edge Radio, that the House reverse the decision by Arts Tasmania to de-fund the new media arts producer initiative of, 10 June.

Hobart Northern Suburbs Railway, that a detailed study be undertaken into, 10 June.

Size of House of Assembly, that it be restored to 35 members, 25 August.

Triazine chemicals, that the use of be banned in Tasmania, 31 August.

Triazine, that the use of be banned in Tasmania, 1 September.

Glenorchy City Council, that it reconsider its decision to lease the Glenorchy Civic Centre or find another venue, 1 September.

Cancer Treatment Centre, that one be built in Braddon, 21 September.

X-Ray Service at New Norfolk, that it be reopened, 16 November.

Baby-safe Havens, that the State provide, 18 November.

Native forests and native ecosystem biomass, that they be banned from use for electricity generation, 18 November.

Agricultural training capacity in North-West Tasmania, that an independent study of be undertaken before contemplating the sale of any agricultural education training facilities in the district, 16 June.

PAPERS TABLED AND ORDERED TO BE PRINTED

- Auditor-General: Local Government Authorities including Business Units and other State Entities June 2009 and December 2009 Volumes 1 and 2.
- Auditor-General: Report, Analysis of Treasurer's Annual Financial Report, Volume 1,
- 17. Auditor-General: Report, Executive and Legislature, Government Departments and Other General Government Sector State Entities 2009-10, Volume 2,
- 18. Auditor-General: Report, Government Business Enterprises, State Owned Companies and Superannuation Funds 2009-10, Volume 3
- Auditor-General: Special Report No. 87 Employment of staff to support MPs June 2010.
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- 13. Auditor-General: Special Report No. 91 Follow up of Special Reports: 62-65 and 70. 15. Auditor-General: Special Report No. 92 Public Sector Productivity: a ten year comparison.
- Auditor-General: Special Report No. 93 Investigations 2004-2010,
- 21. Auditor-General: Special Report No. 94 Election Promise: five per cent price cap on electricity prices.
- 8. (L.C.) Committees of the Tasmanian Parliament: Legislative Council Discussion Paper.
- Integrity, Joint Standing Committee on: Annual Report 2010.
- Public Sector Executive Appointments, Legislative Council Select Committee on: Second Interim Report. 6. (L.C.)
- Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Bridgewater and Southern Midfands Learning Federation.

- Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Mersey Community Hospital, Department of Emergency Medicine Upgrade and Associated Program of Works.
 Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Princes Wharf Renewal Project.
 Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Royal Hobart Hospital Campus Upgrade Phase One Projects.
 Road Safety, Legislative Council Select Committee on: Final Report (Volumes 1 and 2).
 Standing Orders Committee of the Legislative Council; Report.
 Standing Orders Committee, Report of the: Government Responses to Committee Reports and Quorums.
 Standing Orders Committee, Report of the: Question Time and Divisions.

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

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MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

RECORD OF SERVICE AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2010

ARCHER, Elise Nicole Opposition Whip 4.5.10 -	ELECTED 20.03.10	RE-ELECTED
BACON, Scott	20.03.10	
BARTLETT, David John Minister 5.4.06 – Deputy Premier 9.4.08 – 26.5.08 Premier 26.5.08 –	1.4.04 (on recount repl. J.A. BACON)	18.03.06 20.03.10
BEST, Brenton Roy Chair of Committees 7.4.04 – 4.5.10	24.2.96	29.8.98 20.7.02 18.03.06 20.03.10
BOOTH, Kim Dion	20,7.02	18.03.06 20.03.10
BROOKS, Adam Richard	20.03.10	,
FERGUSON, Michael Darrel Joseph	20.03.10	
GIDDINGS, Larissa Tahireh Government Whip 6.8.02 – 15.3.04 Minster 7.4.04 – Deputy Premier 26.5.08 –	24.2.96 (defeated 29.8.98)	20.7.02 18.03.06 20.03.10
GREEN, Bryan Alexander Government Whip 15.9.98 - 16.5.00 Minister 9.8.02 - 14.7.06; 21.04.10 - Deputy Premier 5.4.06 - 14.7.06	29.8.98	20.7.02 18.03.06 20.03.10
GROOM, Matthew Guy	20.03.10	
GUTWEIN, Peter Carl	20.7.02	18.03.06 20.03.10
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HODGMAN, William Edward Felix Deputy Leader of the Opposition 6.8.02 - 30.3.06 Leader of the Opposition 30.3.06 -	20.7.02	18.03.06 20.03.10

McKIM, Nicholas James Leader of the Tasmanian Greens 7.7.08 - Minister - 21.04.10 -	20.7.02	18.03.06 20.03.10
MORRIS, Timothy Bryce Chair of Committees 4.5.10 -	20.7.02	18.03.06 20.03.10
O'BYRNE, David James Minister 21.04.10 -	20.03.10	
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O'CONNOR, Cassandra Stanwell Minister 6.12.10 -	22.7.08 (on recount repl. M.A Putt)	20.03.10
O'HALLORAN, Paul Thomas	20.03.10	
PETRUSMA, Jacqueline Anne	20.03.10	
POLLEY, Michael Robert Government Whip 15.7.74 - 22.12.76 Minister 22.12.76 - 25.2.80 Speaker 28.6.89 - 14.4.92 Speaker 6.10.98 -	22.04.72	22.04.72 11.12.76 28.7.79 26.5.82 8.2.86 13.5.89 1.2.92 24.2.96 29.8.98 20.7.02 18.03.06 20.03.10
Opposition Whip 6.8.02 - 30.3.06 Deputy Leader of the Opposition 30.3.06 -	20.7.02	18.03.06 20.03.10
SHELTON, Mark David	20.03.10	
WHITE, Rebecca	20.03.10	
WIGHTMAN, Brian Neal Government Whip - 4.5.10 Minister - 6.12.10 -	20.03,10	

MEMBERS ACCUMULATED SERVICE AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2010

Years of Service	No. of Members
Less than one year	11
Two and less than three years	11
Four and less than five years	j 1
Six and less than seven years	i T
Eight and less than nine years	1
Ten and less than eleven years	6
Twelve and less than thirteen years	1
Fourteen and less than fifteen years	1
Thirty-eight and less than thirty-nine years	2 1
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