Committee on Standards and Privileges

Report on a complaint by Mr Jason Johnston against Mr David McIlveen MLA

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 - to oversee the work of the Assembly Clerk of Standards;
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 - to consider any specific complaints made in relation to the registering or declaring of interests referred to it;
 - to consider any matter relating to the conduct of Members, including specific complaints in relation to alleged breaches of any code of conduct to which the Assembly has agreed and which have been drawn to the Committee's attention;
 - to recommend any modifications to any Assembly code of conduct as may from time to time appear to be necessary.
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Mr Alastair Ross (Chairperson)

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Mr Steven Agnew

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Ms Paula Bradley

Mr Jonathan Craig

Mr Colum Eastwood¹

Mr Francie Molloy^{2 3}

Mr Fra McCann

Mr David McIlveen

Mrs Sandra Overend4

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¹ With effect from 23 April 2012 Mr Colum Eastwood replaced Mr Patsy McGlone.

With effect from 3 July 2012 Mr Alex Maskey replaced Mr Pat Doherty.

³ With effect from 11th September 2012 Mr Francie Molloy replaced Mr Alex Maskey.

⁴ With effect from 26 September 2011 Mrs Sandra Overend replaced Mr Michael Copeland.

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Report

- The Committee on Standards and Privileges has considered a report from Dr Tom Frawley in
 his former capacity as the interim Assembly Commissioner for Standards. The report is on an
 investigation into a complaint made by Mr Jason Johnston against Mr David McIlveen MLA. Dr
 Frawley's report and the complaint from Mr Johnston are appended to this report.
- 2. Mr McIlveen is a member of the Committee on Standards and Privileges. However Mr McIlveen withdrew from committee proceedings in relation to this complaint and has had no input to the Committee's consideration and deliberations.
- 3. Mr Johnston's complaint related to Mr McIlveen's Office Cost Expenditure (OCE) in 2011/12. The purpose of OCE, as set out in the Northern Ireland Assembly Financial Support for Members Handbook¹, is to meet the expenditure wholly, exclusively and necessarily incurred by a Member on secretarial, clerical or administrative assistance (including the associated provision of any equipment, facilities or services) in carrying out his/her Assembly Duties.
- 4. Paragraph 9.3.1 of the Handbook states that:

"The reasonable cost of purchasing office furniture, additional computers (hardware and software), printers, modest digital cameras, photocopiers, fax machines, telephones, radios and televisions may be met from OCE. Any equipment purchased is only to be used to assist a Member in performing his/her Assembly duties and must not be used by family members or for party political activities. Equipment purchased should be available for scrutiny by internal or external audit review."

- 5. The Northern Ireland Assembly publishes on its website the detail of Assembly Members' total OCE with a breakdown of individual claims made.
- 6. In his complaint Mr Johnston alleged that Mr McIlveen had claimed for two tablet computers (Apple iPads) within a period of seven months. Mr Johnston included with his complaint some details from the Assembly's website in respect of Mr McIlveen's Office Cost Expenditure in 2011/12. These details included a claim in the Capital IT Equipment Purchase category for a transaction of £479.00 on 24 May 2011 described as "Apple iPad" and a subsequent claim in the same category for a transaction of £239.00 on 19 December 2011 which was also described as "Apple iPad".
- 7. Mr Johnston argued that a Member could only use one such device at a time. For this reason Mr McIlveen's claims seemed to Mr Johnston to be an excessive use of public money. Mr Johnston alleged that Mr McIlveen's conduct in this regard breached the Assembly's Code of Conduct. In particular Mr Johnston highlighted the section of the Code on Public Duty.
- 8. In fact the Assembly's Code of Conduct also contains a specific rule which covers Members and their use of OCE. The rule states:

"No improper use shall be made of any payment or allowance made to Members for public purposes and the administrative rules applying to such payments, allowances and resources must be strictly observed."

http://www.niassembly.gov.uk/Documents/Your_MLAs/Financial-Support-For-Members-Handbook.pdf

- 9. Dr Frawley has established through his investigation that Mr McIlveen has not possessed at any time two iPads. Mr McIlveen has explained that he purchased an iPad through his OCE on 24 May 2011 but that this iPad was subsequently damaged beyond repair. Mr McIlveen therefore replaced the damaged iPad with a new one. The cost of this replacement was met through OCE. In his report Dr Frawley advises that Mr McIlveen has referred to a scheme operated by Apple whereby the cost of a replacement iPad is offset by the residual value of a damaged iPad. Mr McIlveen has explained that this accounts for the difference in the cost incurred in May 2011 and that in December 2011.
- 10. Dr Frawley had verified Mr McIlveen's explanation through an examination of Mr McIlveen's relevant expenses claim forms and associated supporting documentation. These were provided to Dr Frawley by the Clerk to the Assembly and are included in Dr Frawley's report.
- 11. In his report Dr Frawley concludes that Mr McIlveen's expenditure on the two Apple iPads within a seven month period was properly incurred and that his claims for reimbursement of his expenditure on them were properly made. Dr Frawley consequently does not consider that Mr McIlveen's conduct constitutes a breach of the Assembly Code.
- 12. The Committee agrees with Dr Frawley's assessment. The complaint is therefore not upheld.
- 13. Dr Frawley goes on to point out that the published details on the Assembly's website do not indicate that Mr McIlveen's claim in December 2011 was in relation to the replacement of a damaged iPad. Dr Frawley suggests that the Committee may wish to raise with the Assembly Commission the need to ensure that the nature of expenditure incurred by and reimbursed to Members is recorded as fully and accurately as possible.
- 14. The Committee has agreed to refer this suggestion to the Assembly Commission for consideration.



Appendix 1

Report from the interim Assembly Commissioner for Standards



Our Ref: S 5/12

10¹⁵ September 2012

Mr Paul Gill
Clerk to the Committee on Standards and Privileges
Northern Ireland Assembly
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Ballymiscaw
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BT4 3XX

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PRIVILEGES

Dear MR. GIII,

COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS AND PRIVILEGES

I enclose my report to the Committee in respect of the complaint against Mr David McIlveen MLA that was referred to me.by Mr Jason Johnston.

I am happy to discuss my views with the Committee and to answer any questions on my report, if that is considered helpful.

Yours sincerely

T FRAWLEY CBE Interim Commissioner for Standards

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Report by the Interim Commissioner for Standards to the Northern Ireland Assembly Committee on Standards and Privileges on a complaint from Mr Jason Johnston against Mr David McIlveen MLA

This report is privileged and is the property of the Interim Assembly Commissioner for Standards.

It has been prepared for presentation to the Committee on Standards and Privileges (the Committee). Neither the report nor its contents should be disclosed to any person unless such disclosure is authorised by the Interim Commissioner or the Committee.

The report remains confidential until such time as it is published by the Committee.

Role of the Interim Assembly Commissioner for Standards

1. I have prepared this report in my role as the Interim Commissioner for Standards of the Northern Ireland Assembly. In this role, I consider any matter relating to the conduct of Members of the Assembly that is referred to me by any person or by the Clerk to the Committee on Standards and Privileges, including specific complaints in relation to alleged breaches of the Code of Conduct for Members. My purpose is to undertake an independent investigation of the matter or complaint referred to me and to present my findings to the Committee on Standards and Privileges (the Committee). Any decision or action beyond my investigation is then a matter for the Committee.

The Complaint

2. I have been asked to examine a complaint made by Mr Jason Johnston against Mr David McIlveen MLA. Mr Johnston's complaint concerns expenses claims made by Mr McIlveen during the 2011-2012 year. Mr Johnston has referred specifically to expenses claims relating to the purchase of two Apple iPads within a seven month period, which he considers is "an excessive use of public money" given that "a member can only use one at a time". Mr Johnston has alleged that Mr McIlveen's conduct in relation to these expenses claims constitutes a breach of the Code with regard to the Principle of Conduct concerning 'Public Duty'. A copy of Mr Johnston's letter of complaint is at Appendix 1.

The Code of Conduct

3. The Code of Conduct for Members of the Northern Ireland Assembly (the Code) along with the Guide to the Rules Relating to the Conduct of Members (the Guide) provide advice and guidance to Members on the standards of conduct expected of them in discharging their duties as Members of the Assembly. The Code aims to cover the conduct of Members with respect to anything they say or do in their capacity as an elected Member. It requires Members to observe a number of Principles of Conduct. These are the Seven Principles of Public Life (the Nolan Principles), and other principles that have been agreed by the

Assembly. The Principles of Conduct address the areas of public duty; selflessness; integrity; objectivity; accountability; openness; honesty; leadership; equality; promoting good relations; respect; and good working relationships.

 Mr Johnston has referred specifically in his letter of complaint to the principle of conduct concerning 'Public Duty'. In regard to this principle, the Code states:

"Members have a duty to uphold the law and to act on all occasions in accordance with the public trust placed in them.

Members have a general duty to act in the interests of the community as a whole.

Members have a special duty to their constituents and are responsible to the electorate who are the final arbiter of their conduct as public representatives".

Conduct of the Investigation

- 8. I received Mr Johnston's letter of complaint on 17 July 2012. I wrote to Mr Johnston on 18 July 2012, informing him that his complaint would be considered, in the first instance, against the admissibility criteria set out in the complaints procedure described in the Guide. At the same time, I wrote to Mr McIlveen to inform him of the complaint.
- On 25 July 2012, having determined that Mr Johnston's complaint was admissible, I wrote to inform him of my intention to undertake an investigation. I also wrote to Mr McIlveen, on the same date, inviting him to submit written comments to me on the allegation Mr Johnston had made against him.
 Mr McIlveen's response of 1 August 2012 is at Appendix 2.
- 10. On 10 August 2012, I wrote to the Clerk to the Assembly, requesting copies of the claim forms, and associated documentation, that Mr McIlveen had submitted in relation to the purchase of the iPads referred to in Mr Johnston's complaint. The Clerk to the Assembly's response of 14 August 2012 is at Appendix 3.

Evidence Considered

- 11. In submitting his complaint (Appendix 1), Mr Johnston provided me with details he had obtained from the Assembly's website concerning payments made by the Assembly to Mr McIlveen in relation to Office Cost Expenditure (OCE) during the year 2011–2012. Mr Johnston highlighted two reimbursements that had been made to Mr McIlveen; one on 24 May 2011 for the sum of £479.00 in respect of an Apple iPad and another on 19 December 2011 for the sum of £239.00, again in respect of an Apple iPad.
- 12. In commenting on Mr Johnston's complaint (Appendix 2), Mr McIlveen stated that he does not possess, nor ever has possessed, two iPads at the same time. He explained that in the course of normal Assembly business, the iPad purchased on 24 May 2011 had been damaged beyond repair. Mr McIlveen referred to a scheme operated by Apple, whereby the cost of a replacement iPad is offset by the residual value of a damaged iPad. He explained that this was the reason why the cost of the second iPad (purchased in December 2011) was less than the first one (purchased in May 2011).
- 13. The expenses claim forms and the associated supporting documentation provided to me by the Clerk to the Assembly (Appendix 3) show that Mr McIlveen made an on-line purchase for an Apple iPad on 18 May 2011, the cost of which was £399.17 (excluding VAT), and that he submitted an OCE claim to the Assembly on 24 May 2011 in relation to the payment he had made for that purchase. Reimbursement of £479.00 (£399.17 plus VAT) was made subsequently to Mr McIlveen. The documentation I obtained also shows that Mr McIlveen purchased a replacement iPad at the Belfast Apple store on 14 December 2011, the cost of which was £239.00 (including VAT), and that he submitted a related OCE claim to the Assembly on 15 December 2011. The receipt relating to the purchase quotes a repair ID number, and the related OCE claim form refers to "Replacement of damaged iPad". Reimbursement of £239.00 for the expenditure incurred by to Mr McIlveen was made to him subsequently.

- 14. The Assembly's website states that OCE is "paid to meet the expenses incurred by a Member in connection with carrying out his or her Assembly duties ... It can only be paid to a Member who has actually incurred allowable expenditure ... Items that can be claimed from OCE include ...office equipment OCE cannot be claimed without valid proof of the actual expenses that have been incurred".
- 16. The Assembly's 'Financial Support for Members Handbook' (the Handbook) states at paragraph 10.3.2 that "The Finance Office can reimburse a member for expenses already incurred"; that "In all cases, the claim form should be submitted with proof of payment i.e. receipts or invoices from suppliers marked paid"; and that "all [claim] forms must be certified and signed with an original signature by the Member". In addition, Annex B to the Handbook lists the purchase of (computer) hardware and software as admissible expenditure.

Findings

- 17. Mr Johnston has alleged that Mr McIlveen breached the requirement the Code places on him to observe the principle of Public Duty, in that he (Mr McIlveen) submitted expenses claims in relation to two Apple iPads within a seven month period. Mr Johnston has contended that this is "an excessive use of public money", since "a member can only use one at a time".
- 18. It is evident that Mr McIlveen did submit OCE claims for the purchase of two Apple iPads during the 2011-2012 year; one in May 2011 and another in December 2011. However, my investigation has found that the second claim was in respect of a replacement iPad, rather than an additional computer. Furthermore, I am satisfied, from my examination of the documentation provided to me, that the purchases made by Mr McIlveen were in relation to what is described in the Handbook as 'admissible expenditure', and that the related claims for reimbursement of the expenditure he had incurred, were made in accordance with the requirements placed on Members.

Conclusion

- 19. Having conducted an investigation of Mr Johnston's complaint, I have concluded that the expenditure by Mr McIlveen on two Apple iPads within a seven month period was properly incurred, and that his claims for reimbursement of his expenditure on them were properly made, in accordance with the Assembly's rules on Members' expenses. Consequently, I do not consider Mr McIlveen's conduct constitutes a breach of the Code in relation to the requirement to uphold the principle of Public Duty.
- 20. I am mindful, however, that the published details of Mr McIlveen's expenses do not indicate that the claim he made in December 2011 was in relation to expenditure incurred on the replacement of a damaged iPad, which I note, is how Mr McIlveen described the expenditure when he submitted his claim. I can understand, therefore, why Mr Johnston formed the view that Mr McIlveen had purchased two iPads within a relatively short timeframe. In order to minimise the possibility of such misunderstandings arising in future, the Committee may wish to raise with the Assembly Commission the need to ensure that the nature of expenditure incurred by, and reimbursed to, Members is recorded as fully and accurately as practicable.

T FRAWLEY CBE Interim Commissioner for Standards /O⁵ September 2012



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Assembly Commissioner for Standards Room 256 Parliament Buildings Belfast BT4 3XX

Jason Johnston

9th July 2012

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to complain about an expenses claim by a member. This claim I feel breaches the code of conduct. Personal conduct - Public Duty section.

Member David McIlveen has claimed for two Apple Ipads within a period of seven months. As a member can only use one at a time it seems an excessive use of public money.

The second device claimed for just six days before christmas.

In addition to the claim of breach of conduct I would like to receive copies of the expenses form and invoice for both of these claims.

Yours faithfully,

Jason Johnston

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Northern Ireland Assembly - David McIlveen - Total Office Cost E...

http://www.niassembly.gov.uk/Your-MLAs/Members-Salaries-and-...



David McIlveen - Total Office Cost Expenditure

Account Nam	Date	Transaction Amount	Expenditure Description	Supplier Name
Capital - Furnitu Purchase		£1,080.00C	hairs x 6	Desks International
Capital - Furnitu Purchase		£594.00C	hair	Desks International
Capital - Furnitu Purchase		£714.00D	esk	Desks International
Capital - Furnitu Purchase		£487.20M	leeting Table	Desks International
Capital - Furnitu Purchase		£118.80C	hair	Ballymena Advice Centre
Capital - Furnitu Purchase		£178.80D	esk & Pedestal	Ballymena Advice Centre
Capital - Furnitu Purchase	re 13-Sep-11	£71.20F	iling Cabinet	Ballymena Advice Centre
Capital - IT Equipment Purchase	24-May-11	£479.00A	pple - iPad	David McIlveen MLA
Capital - IT Equipment Purchase	19-Dec-11	£239.00A	pple - iPad	David McIlveen MLA
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Members Advertising - General	03-Aug-11	£117.60 $_{ m G}^{ m B}$	allymena uardian - Jul 11	Northern Newspapers Ltd
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APPENDIX 2

9-11 CHURCH ST BALLYMENA BT43 6DD

EMAIL: david. m cilveen @mla.niassembly.gov.uk

WEBSITE: www.davidmchi.gom.org &

David McIlveen MLA. Member of the Northern Ireland Assembly for the North Antrim Constituency

REF: DM/24743/12

01 August 2012

Mr Tom Frawley CBE Interim Commissioner for Standards Assembly Ombudsman Progressive House 33 Wellington Place Belfast BT1 6HN

Dear Tom

Thank you for your letters dated 18^{th} and 25^{th} July 2012 which I welcome the opportunity to address. Whilst, I respect without question the functions that your office must perform I am disappointed that any calling into question my integrity has occurred and I hope that the below will fully address my concerns:

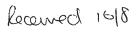
I do not possess nor have ever possessed at the same time two IPads. In the course of Assembly business the IPad purchased on 24th May 2011 was damaged beyond repair. Apple have a scheme in place whereby they will take a damaged IPad and deduct the parts cost of the damaged one from the retail cost of the new one. This is why the second IPad was £240 less than the first one.

I trust this information will bring the matter to a close, but as a matter of conscience I would like Mr Johnston to be aware that my expenses for 2011/2012 were the lowest in North Antrim and higher only than one of Mr Johnson's political representatives in the South Antrim constituency. I would also like written clarification on what was being implied by paragraph 3 of Mr Johnston's letter.

Yours sincerely,

David McIlveen MLA

Please quote reference number on all correspondence









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Mr Tom Frawley CBE Interim Commissioner for Standards Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland 33 Wellington Place Belfast BT1 6HN

14 August 2012

Dear Mr Frawley

Committee on Standards and Privileges

I refer to your letter dated 10 August 2012 regarding claims made by Mr.David McIlveen MLA in respect of iPads in May 2011 and December 2011.

Please find enclosed the relevant claim forms and supporting documentation as requested.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

TREVOR REANEY
Clerk to the Assembly/Director General

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Office Cost Expenditure

Form C1

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Amounts over £500 must be made by direct payment and cannot be reimbursed.

The attached original receipts/ invoices (stamped paid) are submitted for reimbursement from my Office Cost Expenditure: These amounts have been paid to the supplier(s).

Please enter the supplier name, service provided and amount payable for each invoice. A maximum of 4 invoices can be attached to each claim form.

Supplier	Service Provided		Amount
APPLE	1Pan Z		£ 399-17
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		Total	£538-00

I, the undersigned, certify that:-

- the expenditure claimed has been wholly and exclusively incurred for the purposes of facilitating my Assembly duties:
- 2. all work done, or items purchased, are of a satisfactory standard and represents value for money;
- 3. all service providers employed are appropriately qualified to undertake the work;
- the expenditure claimed has not been incurred as a result of a donation to an individual or charitable organisation; or as a payment to benefit a political party for funding or for party political activities;
- 5. the expenditure has been incurred within the relevant period;
- 6. in submitting the claim I have considered and applied the Ten Principles.
- 7. the payee is not a connected party as defined in the NI (Members Expenditure) Determination 2010.
- 8. I have retained a copy of this form for my records

Signed			Date	24/5/11
Name (Print)	DAVIN MILLIEEN M	ILA	Telephone Contact	
				March 2011

Windows Live Hotmail Print Message

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Apple Store

Order Confirmation

Ordered on 18/05/2011

Your recent order on the Apple Online Store has been received.

We are pleased to send you this order confirmation containing details of your order placed on 18/05/2011. If you would like to make a change, please contact us as soon as possible or visit online Order Status.

Bill to David McIlveen

David McIlveen Ship to D U P Advice Centre 9-11 Church St

Ballymena BT43 6DD Great British

Items in Your Order

iPad 2 with Wi-Fi 32GB - Black 1399.17 £399.17

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£49.17 149.17 iPad Smart Cover - Leather - Black

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Form C1

Office Cost Expenditure Reimbursement

Amounts over £500 must be made by direct payment and cannot be reimbursed. The attached original receipts/ invoices (stamped paid) are submitted for reimbursement from my Office Cost Expenditure: These amounts have been paid to the supplier(s).

Please enter the supplier name, service provided and amount payable for each invoice. A maximum of 4 invoices can be attached to each claim form.

Supplier	Service Provided	Amount
ARGOS BALYMENA	PLRCHASE OF DICTAPHINE	£134.99
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I, the undersigned, certify that:-

- the expenditure claimed has been wholly and exclusively incurred for the purposes of facilitating my Assembly duties:
- all work done, or items purchased, are of a satisfactory standard and represents value for money;
- all service providers employed are appropriately qualified to undertake the work;
- the expenditure claimed has not been incurred as a result of a donation to an individual or charitable organisation; or as a payment to benefit a political party for funding or for party political activities;
- the expenditure has been incurred within the relevant period;
- 6. in submitting the claim I have considered and applied the Ten Principles.
- 7. the payee is not a connected party as defined in the NI (Members Expenditure) Determination 2010.
- I have retained a copy of this form for my records

Signed				Date	15/12/11
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DUPLICATE RECEIPT

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Appendix 2

Proceedings of the Committee Relating to the Report

Wednesday, 19th September 2012 Room 21, Parliament Buildings

Present: Mr Alastair Ross (Chairperson)

Mr Kieran McCarthy (Deputy Chairperson)

Mr Steven Agnew Mr Cathal Boylan Ms Paula Bradley Mr Colum Eastwood Mr Fra McCann

Mr David McIlveen (from agenda item 6)

In Attendance: Mr Paul Gill (Assembly Clerk)

Ms Hilary Bogle (Assistant Assembly Clerk) Mr Christopher McNickle (Clerical Officer)

Apologies: Mrs Sandra Overend

Mr Jonathan Craig Mr Francie Molloy

1.30pm The meeting commenced in closed session.

Consideration of a Report from the interim Assembly Commissioner for Standards on a complaint against a Member

Members noted the report received from the interim Assembly Commissioner for Standards on a complaint against a Member.

The Chairperson welcomed Dr Tom Frawley and Mrs Marie Anderson, and invited Dr Frawley to brief the Committee on his Report.

Following discussion the Committee thanked Dr Frawley and Ms Anderson for attending the meeting.

Agreed: Members agreed with the interim Commissioner's conclusion that the Member

had not breached the Code of Conduct.

Agreed: Members discussed and agreed the draft Committee Report, as amended, and

ordered that the report be printed today.

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