



COMMITTEE FOR FINANCE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2020

Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings, Belfast

Present: Dr Steve Aiken OBE MLA (Chairperson)
Mr Paul Frew MLA (Deputy Chairperson)
Mr Jim Allister MLA
Mr Pat Catney MLA
Ms Jemma Dolan MLA
Mr Philip McGuigan MLA
Mr Maolíosa McHugh MLA
Mr Matthew O'Toole MLA
Mr Jim Wells MLA

Apologies:

In Attendance: Mr Jim McManus (Assembly Clerk)
Mr Phil Pateman (Assistant Assembly Clerk)
Ms Kate McCullough (Assistant Assembly Clerk)
Mr Neil Sedgewick (Clerical Supervisor)
Ms Heather Graham (Clerical Officer)
Ms Eileen Regan (Senior Researcher, RaISe) for (Agenda Item 4)

8. Consideration of Draft Report - Functioning of Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill

This session was reported by Hansard.

The Committee considered the draft Bill Report in advance of its formal consideration and agreement and a second draft including proposed amendments.

The question was put that the Committee agrees the amendments included in the latest draft of the report.

The Committee divided: Ayes 6; Noes 3; Abstain 0

AYES

Dr Steve Aiken MLA
Paul Frew MLA
Jim Wells MLA
Jim Allister MLA
Pat Catney MLA
Matthew O'Toole MLA

NOES

Maoliosa McHugh MLA
Philip McGuigan MLA
Jemma Dolan MLA

ABSTAIN

Agreed The Committee is content with the amendments included in the latest draft of the report.

The Committee considered a further proposed amendment to the draft report to include the following after paragraph 6 of the report:

“There was broad welcome from the majority of the committee that the Bill sponsor responded to the many concerns raised in the evidence by tabling significant amendments. These provide a better basis for the Bill going forward and allowed broader support for the Bill at committee.”

Agreed: To include the amendment in the report.

Agreed: to move to formal consideration and agreement of the report at next week's meeting.

[Extract]