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- 13 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2021 – PAPER AND STATEMENT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 30 November 2022 – Prime Minister, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Luther Wenge – That the Parliament take note of the paper.
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- 47 SIR JULIUS CHAN (*Member for New Ireland Provincial*): To present a Bill for an Act to amend the ***Provincial Health Authority Act 2017*** and for related purposes. (*Notice given 1 August*)
- 48 MR MICHAEL MARUM (*Member for East New Britain Provincial*): To present a Bill for an Act –
- (a) to enable the establishment, development, operation and regulation of free zones in the East New Britain Province of Papua New Guinea with independent stand-alone administrative entities specifically constituted for the purpose of regulating and administering zones; and
 - (b) to provide for the establishment of East New Britain Free Zones Corporation and –
 - (i) to define its powers and functions; and

- (ii) to administer and regulate the free zones and to provide for the promotion and facilitation of investments and the development of enabling environment for such investments in the free zones; and
- (iii) to grant the Corporation partial extraterritoriality status to administer and regulate the developmental areas of a zone independently but attached to the existing governmental frameworks; and
- (c) to enable the downstream processing of products for the New Guinea Island region, Papua New Guinea and other Pacific Island countries; and
- (d) to encourage the undertaking of development activities, local and foreign direct investment, capital and talent in a zone under independent and separate regulatory frameworks; and
- (e) to encourage the establishment, conduct and expansion of enterprises and investments in and for the granting of certain exemptions and fiscal incentives to persons engaging in such enterprises and investments in a zone,

and for related purposes. **(Notice given 1 August)**

- 51 DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT – ANNUAL REPORTS FOR THE YEARS 2021 AND 2022 – PAPERS AND STATEMENT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Resumption of debate *(from 2 August)* on the motion of Mr Luther Wenge – That the Parliament take note of the papers.
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- 57 SIR PUKA TEMU *(Member for Abau)*: To present a Bill for an Act to repeal and replace the ***St. John Council Incorporation Act 1976***, and for related purposes. **(Notice given 11 August)**
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Clerk of the National Parliament

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is prefixed appear for the first time.