

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**SELECTION COMMITTEE**

**REPORT No. 40**

Committee and delegation business

and

private Members' business

**24 February 2016**

## MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

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                  Mr C Hayes MP (Chief Opposition Whip)

                  Mr M Coulton MP (Nationals Chief Whip)

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                  Ms J Hall MP

                  Mr E Hutchinson MP

                  Mr E Jones MP

                  Ms J Ryan MP

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                  Mr B Scott MP, Deputy Speaker

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Secretary       Ms C Cornish

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                  Mrs A Fabbo

## **Report relating to the consideration of committee and delegation business and of private Members' business**

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1. The committee met in private session on Tuesday, 23 February 2016.
2. The committee determined the order of precedence and times to be allotted for consideration of committee and delegation business and private Members' business on Monday, 29 February 2016, as follows:

### **Items for House of Representatives Chamber (10.10 am to 12 noon)**

#### **COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION BUSINESS**

##### **Presentation and statements**

##### **1 Standing Committee on Procedure**

*Consideration in detail of the main appropriation bill.*

*The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.20 am.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Dr Southcott — 5 minutes.*

*Next Member speaking — 5 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 2 x 5 mins]

##### **2 Standing Committee on the Environment**

*Report on the visit to Singapore and Malaysia, 25-30 October 2015.*

*The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.30 am.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Zappia — 5 minutes.*

*Next Member speaking — 5 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 2 x 5 mins]

### 3 Standing Committee on Indigenous Affairs

*Statement on the progress of the Inquiry into educational opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.*

*The Committee determined that statements may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.40 am.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Dr Stone — 5 minutes.*

*Next Member speaking — 5 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 2 x 5 mins]

### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

#### Notices

- 1 MS O'NEIL:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Act 1989*, and for related purposes. (*Ethical Cosmetics Bill 2016*)

*(Notice given 22 February 2016.)*

*Time allotted — 10 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Ms O'Neil — 10 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 1 x 10 mins]

*Presenter may speak to the second reading for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41.*

- 2 DR LEIGH:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to taxation, and for related purposes. (*Tax Laws Amendment (Tougher Penalties for Country-by-Country Reporting) Bill 2016*)

*(Notice given 22 February 2016.)*

*Time allotted — 10 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Dr Leigh — 10 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 1 x 10 mins]

*Presenter may speak to the second reading for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41.*

**3 MR CHRISTENSEN:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Flags Act 1953*, and for related purposes. (*Flags Amendment (Protecting Australian Flags) Bill 2016*)  
(*Notice given 23 February 2016.*)

*Time allotted — 10 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Christensen — 10 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 1 x 10 mins]

*Presenter may speak to the second reading for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41.*

**4 MS T. M. BUTLER:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that International Women’s Day will be observed on 8 March 2016;
- (2) recognises that the day has its origins in the labour movement, and that March 8 was the date of the New York garment workers’ strike of 1908, in which women called for an end to sweatshops and child labour;
- (3) acknowledges that International Women’s Day is a day to seek further progress in advancing the political and economic welfare of women at home and across the world;
- (4) recognises:
  - (a) the publication of the shared framework for the primary prevention of violence against women and their children, by Our WATCH, the Victorian Health Promotion Foundation (VicHealth), and Australia’s National Research Organisation for Women’s Safety (ANROWS), in November 2015; and
  - (b) that that framework, *Change the Story*, states that violence against women and their children is preventable, and makes clear that gender inequality is the core of the problem, and the heart of the solution; and
- (5) in marking International Women’s Day, recommits to achieving gender equality, and to advancing the political and economic welfare of women, domestically and internationally.

(*Notice given 22 February 2016.*)

*Time allotted — remaining private Members’ business time prior to 12 noon.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Ms T. M. Butler — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 10 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.*

## Items for Federation Chamber (11 am to 1.30 pm)

### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

#### Notices

**1 MS L. M. CHESTERS:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
  - (a) the Asbestos Safety and Eradication Agency (the agency) revealed in recent reports that more than 64 building sites across Australia contain illegal asbestos;
  - (b) it is unclear how many building sites have asbestos that has not been detected; and
  - (c) the agency advised the Senate Economics References Committee, for its inquiry into *Non-conforming building products*, that building products containing asbestos are being imported to Australia, contrary to Australian law;
- (2) acknowledges that:
  - (a) Australia has one of the highest rates of asbestos related death and injury in the world; we know that 33,000 people have already lost their lives to asbestos; and
  - (b) around 700 Australians die each year from asbestos related diseases, and without proper management experts worry that tens of thousands of Australians could be diagnosed with asbestos related diseases in coming decades;
- (3) condemns the Government's inaction and silence on the dangers of asbestos, despite warnings provided to the Senate Economics References Committee; and
- (4) calls on the Government to give greater importance to stopping asbestos importers at the border and immediately increase the penalties for illegal asbestos contamination on Australian building sites.

(Notice given 22 February 2016.)

*Time allotted — 30 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Ms L. M. Chesters — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**2 MRS MCNAMARA:** To move—That this House notes that:

- (1) May is Crohn's and Colitis month, designated to raise awareness of these lifelong gastrointestinal disorders that commonly present themselves in children, adolescents and adults;

- (2) the conditions, collectively known as Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD), are an emerging global disease, with Australia having one of the highest rates of prevalence in the world;
- (3) IBD is a chronic and largely hidden disease affecting approximately 1 in 250 people aged 5 to 49 years nationally;
- (4) more than 75,000 Australians live with these conditions, with numbers expected to increase to more than 100,000 by 2022;
- (5) IBD cannot be cured as yet, but it can be managed effectively, especially with the use of medications to control the abnormal inflammatory response; and
- (6) the Government has acknowledged the need to improve the quality and consistency of IBD care in Australia and has announced an historic \$500,000 matched funding agreement to kick start the Crohn's & Colitis Australia programme.

*(Notice given 22 February 2016.)*

*Time allotted — 40 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mrs McNamara — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 8 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

## **Orders of the day**

**1 PENALTY RATES:** Resumption of debate (*from 22 February 2016*) on the motion of Mr Champion—That this House acknowledges that penalty rates are relied upon by Australian workers and their families to cover everyday costs of living, no matter if they are full time, part time or casual, including workers such as:

- (1) nurses;
- (2) police, firefighters and ambulance officers;
- (3) retail and hospitality workers;
- (4) manufacturing industry employees;
- (5) services sector employees; and
- (6) tourism and transport industry employees.

*Time allotted — 40 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*All Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 8 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

## Notices — continued

### 3 MR ENTSCHE: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
  - (a) the Tibetan Plateau is:
    - (i) the largest source of freshwater beyond the Arctic and Antarctic;
    - (ii) a major driver of the global climate;
    - (iii) the source of most of Asia's major rivers; and
    - (iv) an area of great significance to the global environment; and
  - (b) traditional nomadic herding has provided Tibetans with resilient livelihoods and ensured the health of Tibetan grasslands, including maintaining biodiversity and soil carbon;
- (2) expresses concern that:
  - (a) Tibetan nomads are leaving the grasslands and that their displacement will have harmful impacts on their livelihood and culture as well as on Tibet's fragile environment; and
  - (b) construction of large dams and water diversion projects in the headwater regions will impact the environment and the livelihood of millions of people in the region;
- (3) notes China's many positive steps towards addressing the challenges of climate change, including reducing dependence on coal; and
- (4) calls for acknowledgement of the:
  - (a) important role Tibetan nomads play in ensuring the health of Tibetan grasslands; and
  - (b) importance of Tibetans having a say over decisions that affect their land and livelihoods.

*(Notice given 10 February 2016.)*

*Time allotted — 30 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Entsch — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**Orders of the day — continued**

**2 MARRIAGE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2015** (*Mr Entsch*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 8 February 2016*).

*Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 1.30 pm.*

*Speech time limits —*

*All Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 2 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**THE HON BRUCE SCOTT MP**

Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives

24 February 2016