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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 36

WEDNESDAY, 21 AUGUST 2002

1 The House met, at 9.30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable Neil Andrew) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 STATES GRANTS (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2002

Dr Nelson (Minister for Education, Science and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *States Grants (Primary and Secondary Education Assistance) Act 2000*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Dr Nelson moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper

Dr Nelson presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate adjourned (Dr Lawrence), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

3 RESEARCH INVOLVING EMBRYOS AND PROHIBITION OF HUMAN CLONING BILL 2002

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Paper

Mr Cadman, by leave, presented the following paper:

Adult stem cells effective treating animal models of disease—Extract from attachment to letter to Members and Senators from Dr David A. Prentice, Indiana State University, 20 August 2002.

Debate continued.

It being 2 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 101A, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

4 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Papers

Mr Albanese, in accordance with standing order 321, having called for documents quoted from by Mr M. A. J. Vaile (Minister for Trade)—

Mr M. A. J. Vaile presented the following papers:

Australia at the Crossroads—Choosing a better way forward—Booklet printed and published by the AMWU, July 2002.

Get on with it—Extract from article by Malcolm Farr, *Daily Telegraph*, 9 August 2002.

Questions without notice continuing—

Member ordered to withdraw

At 3.17 p.m. the Member for Hunter (Mr Fitzgibbon) was ordered, under standing order 304A, to withdraw from the House for one hour for continuing to interject after a warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing—

Papers

Mr Rudd, by leave, presented the following papers:

North American integration and Canada's role in the light of new security challenges—Evidence from a hearing by the Canadian Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade, 4 June 2002.

Foreign policy aspects of the war against terrorism—Report of the House of Commons Foreign Affairs Committee, 12 June 2002.

Questions without notice continued.

5 PAPER

The Speaker presented the following paper:

Former Members of Parliament being compelled to appear before the House of which they were not a member, or one of its committees—Briefing paper, with attachments, by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, 19 August 2002.

6 PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS

Mr Abbott (Leader of the House) presented the following papers:

Australian River Co Limited—Report for the period 1 December 2000 to 30 November 2001.

Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—Online content co-regulatory scheme—Report, July to December 2001.

and moved—That the House take note of the papers.

Debate adjourned (Mr Swan), and the resumption of each debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

7 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—TELSTRA

The House was informed that Mr Tanner had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's, including the National Party's, support for the full privatisation of Telstra".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Tanner addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

8 NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA COUNCIL

Mrs D. S. Vale (Minister for Veterans' Affairs), by leave, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *National Library Act 1960*, this House elects Mr M. J. Ferguson to be a member of the Council of the National Library of Australia and to continue as a member for a period of 3 years from and including 21 August 2002.

Question—put and passed.

9 PLANT HEALTH AUSTRALIA (PLANT INDUSTRIES) FUNDING BILL 2002—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee, a Governor-General's message recommending an appropriation had been reported, and the Bill had been agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mrs D. S. Vale (Minister for Veterans' Affairs), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

10 CUSTOMS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2002—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mrs D. S. Vale (Minister for Veterans' Affairs), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

11 IMPORT PROCESSING CHARGES (AMENDMENT AND REPEAL) BILL 2002—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mrs D. S. Vale (Minister for Veterans' Affairs), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

12 RESEARCH INVOLVING EMBRYOS AND PROHIBITION OF HUMAN CLONING BILL 2002

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

13 ADJOURNMENT

It being 7.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 7.59 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 9.30 a.m.

PAPERS

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 21 August 2002:

Aged Care Act—Principles under section 96-1—2002—

Accreditation Grant Amendment (No. 1).

Information Amendment (No. 1).

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Regulations—

Amendment Order—2002 No. 12.

Exemptions—2002 Nos CASA EX14, CASA EX15, CASA EX16.

Instrument—2002 No. CASA 493.

Currency Act—Determination—2002 Currency (Royal Australian Mint) No. 4.

Customs Act—Instruments of approval—2002 Nos 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38.

Taxation Administration Act—Rulings—2002 Nos CR 50, CR 51, PR 107.

Therapeutic Goods Act—Therapeutic Goods Order No. 67A.

Veterans' Entitlements Act—Instrument under subsection 90(4)—2002 No. 2.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Andren, Mr Cameron, Mrs Draper, Ms O'Byrne* and Dr Southcott.

* On leave

I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, 21 AUGUST 2002

1 The Main Committee met at 9.40 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

3 PLANT HEALTH AUSTRALIA (PLANT INDUSTRIES) FUNDING BILL 2002

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 47, 2 July 2002, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for the question on the report to be put forthwith.

Question—That the Bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

4 CUSTOMS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2002

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for the question on the report to be put forthwith.

Question—That the Bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

5 IMPORT PROCESSING CHARGES (AMENDMENT AND REPEAL) BILL 2002

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for the question on the report to be put forthwith.

Question—That the Bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

6 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), the Main Committee adjourned at 10.28 a.m.

The Deputy Speaker fixed tomorrow at 9.40 a.m. for the next meeting of the Main Committee.



B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the Main Committee