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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 52

WEDNESDAY, 16 OCTOBER 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 CORPORATIONS AMENDMENT (REPAYMENT OF DIRECTORS' BONUSES) BILL 2002

Mr Costello (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Corporations Act 2001*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Costello moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper

Mr Costello presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

3 HIGHER EDUCATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3) 2002

Dr Nelson (Minister for Education, Science and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Higher Education Funding Act 1988*, 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 (Mr Melham), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

4 MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (MIGRATION ADVICE INDUSTRY) BILL 2002

Mr Hardgrave (Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Migration Act 1958*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hardgrave moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper

Mr Hardgrave presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

5 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING FUNDING AMENDMENT 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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Albanese, viz.—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not seeking to deny the Bill a second reading, the House condemns the Government for:*

- (1) failing to develop comprehensive transition strategies to assist young people, thereby abandoning at least 205,300 15 to 19 year olds, placing them at risk of not making a successful transition from school to work;
- (2) failing to keep its election promise to young people to provide a comprehensive response in the 2002 budget to the Youth Pathways Report;
- (3) failing to address youth unemployment, which is on the rise;
- (4) refusing to acknowledge the substantial adverse impact that the Government's Welfare Reform initiatives are having on TAFE;
- (5) failing to take a holistic approach to the needs of indigenous Australians resulting in a decline in participation in courses leading to a qualification; and
- (6) the Minister's double standards in espousing concern for the welfare of young Australians but failing to take any meaningful action to invest in their training needs; and

the House further notes that State and Territory Labor Governments have made significant achievements in the implementation of VET in schools while the Commonwealth has refused to provide growth funding, making the Labor States and Territories the leaders in this field"—

Debate resumed.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Mossfield, in the Chair)—

AYES, 75

Mr Abbott	Mr Dutton	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Jackie Kelly	Mr Schultz
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Entsch	Dr Kemp	Mr Secker
Mr Anthony	Mr Farmer	Mr P. E. King	Mr Slipper
Fran Bailey	Mr Forrest*	Mrs Ley	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Baird	Mrs Gallus	Mr Lindsay	Mr Somlyay
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr Lloyd	Dr Southcott
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr McArthur*	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Mr Ticehurst
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Haase	Mr McGauran	Mr Tollner
Mr Brough	Mr Hardgrave	Mrs Moylan	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Hartsuyker	Mr Nairn	Mr Tuckey
Mr Cameron	Mr Hawker	Dr Nelson	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Causley	Mr Hockey	Mr Neville	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Charles	Mrs Hull	Ms Panopoulos	Mr Wakelin
Mr Ciobo	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Dr Washer
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson	Mr Prosser	Mr Williams
Mr Costello	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Windsor
Mrs Draper	Mr Katter	Mr Randall	

NOES, 58

Mr Adams	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Ms Roxon
Mr Albanese	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Mr Andren	Ms George	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford
Mr Bevis	Mr Gibbons	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sercombe
Ms Burke	Ms Gillard	Ms Macklin	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Byrne	Ms Grierson	Mr McLeay	Mr S. F. Smith
Ms Corcoran	Mr Griffin	Mr McMullan	Mr Snowdon
Mr Cox	Ms Hall	Mr Melham	Mr Swan
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Mrs Crosio	Mrs Irwin	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Danby*	Ms Jackson	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Edwards	Mr Jenkins	Ms Plibersek	Mr Wilkie
Ms Ellis	Mr Kerr	Mr Price	Mr Zahra
Mr Emerson	Ms C. F. King	Mr Quick*	
Mr Evans	Mr Latham	Mr Ripoll	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 65, 6 June 2002, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Dr Nelson (Minister for Education, Science and Training), the Bill was read a third time.

6 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY

Ordered—That order of the day No. 2, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

7 INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF TAXATION 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.

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.

8 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were asked.

9 PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS

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

Australia Post—Equal employment opportunity—Report for 2001-02.

Australian Customs Service—Report for 2001-02.

Australian Industry Development Corporation—Report for 2001-02.

Defence Force Remuneration Tribunal—Report for 2001-02.

Department of Transport and Regional Services—Report for 2001-02.

Final budget outcome—2001-02.

Joint Coal Board—Report—July-December 2001 [Final].

Medical Training Review Panel—Report for 2001-02.

Repatriation Medical Authority—Report for 2001-02.

Reserve Bank of Australia—Equity and diversity—Report for 2001-02.

Royal Australian Mint—Report for 2001-02.

Telstra Corporation Limited—Report for 2001-02.

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.

10 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—FOREIGN CURRENCY SWAPS PROGRAM

The House was informed that Mr McMullan had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The reported loss of \$1 billion last financial year from mismanagement of the foreign currency swaps program”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr McMullan addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

11 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:

16 October 2002—Message No. 122—Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Amendment 2002.

12 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—TORRES STRAIT FISHERIES AMENDMENT BILL 2002

Message No. 120, 15 October 2002, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for an Act to amend the *Torres Strait Fisheries Act 1984*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

13 BILL REFERRED TO MAIN COMMITTEE

Mr Lloyd (Chief Government Whip), by leave, moved—That the Family and Community Services Legislation Amendment (Budget Initiatives and Other Measures) Bill 2002 be referred to the Main Committee for further consideration.

Question—put and passed.

14 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT (LIFE GOLD PASS) BILL 2002

A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill with a request for an amendment:

16 October 2002—Message No. 121—Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) 2002.

Ordered—That the amendment requested by the Senate be considered at a later hour this day.

15 ABORIGINAL LAND RIGHTS (NORTHERN TERRITORY) AMENDMENT 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 Mr I. E. Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

16 EXCISE LAWS 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 Mr I. E. Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

17 EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 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 Mr I. E. Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

18 NEW BUSINESS TAX SYSTEM (CONSOLIDATION AND OTHER MEASURES) 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 Mr I. E. Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

19 NEW BUSINESS TAX SYSTEM (FRANKING DEFICIT TAX) AMENDMENT 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 Mr I. E. Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

20 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (GENUINE BARGAINING) BILL 2002—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS

The order of the day having been read for the consideration of the amendments made by the Senate—

On the motion of Mr Abbott (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations), amendments (1), (2), (3), (6) and (7) were agreed to, after debate.

On the motion of Mr Abbott, amendments (4) and (5) were disagreed to, after debate.

Mr Abbott presented reasons, which were circulated, and are as follows:

Reasons of the House of Representatives for disagreeing to the amendments of the Senate

Senate Amendment (4)

Under section 170MW of the *Workplace Relations Act 1996*, a bargaining period can be suspended or terminated on the ground that the party which notified the bargaining period is not genuinely trying to reach agreement. The effect of Senate Amendment (4) would be to provide that genuinely trying to reach agreement includes 'bargaining in good faith'.

The Government does not support inclusion in the Workplace Relations Act of references to bargaining in good faith. The Act already provides protections against duress, coercion and discrimination in relation to bargaining. Beyond these protections, the bargaining process should be left to the immediate parties. The Australian Industrial Relations Commission should not be given a general role of scrutinising the approach to bargaining taken by the parties.

The House of Representatives does not accept this amendment.

Senate Amendment (5)

The effect of Senate Amendment (5), which is linked to Senate Amendment (4), would be to list in section 170MW of the Workplace Relations Act factors that the Commission would have to consider when assessing whether or not a party that is engaging in industrial action is bargaining in good faith. This amendment assumes that the parties should adopt a prescribed approach to bargaining – an approach which may not be appropriate or necessary in all circumstances. The House of Representatives does not support this approach, for the reasons given above.

The House of Representatives does not accept this amendment.

On the motion of Mr Abbott, the reasons were adopted.

21 INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF TAXATION 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.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Ms Gambaro, in the Chair)—

AYES, 75

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Jackie Kelly	Mr Schultz
Mr Anderson	Mr Dutton	Dr Kemp	Mr Secker
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mrs Elson	Mr P. E. King	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mr Entsch	Mrs Ley	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Fran Bailey	Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Somlyay
Mr Baird	Mr Forrest*	Mr Lloyd	Dr Southcott
Mr Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mr McArthur*	Dr Stone
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mr McGauran	Mr Ticehurst
Mr Billson	Mr Hardgrave	Mrs Moylan	Mr Tollner
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hartsuyker	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hawker	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Mr Brough	Mr Hockey	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Cadman	Mrs Hull	Ms Panopoulos	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Cameron	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Wakelin
Mr Causley	Mr Johnson	Mr Prosser	Dr Washer
Mr Charles	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Ciobo	Mr Katter	Mr Randall	Mr Windsor
Mr Cobb	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock	

NOES, 59

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Beazley	Ms George	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Mr Bevis	Mr Gibbons	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sawford
Ms Burke	Ms Gillard	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe
Mr Byrne	Ms Grierson	Mr McLeay	Mr Sidebottom
Ms Corcoran	Mr Griffin	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Cox	Ms Hall	Mr Melham	Mr Snowdon
Mrs Crosio	Mr Hatton	Mr Mossfield	Mr Swan
Mr Danby*	Mrs Irwin	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Mr Edwards	Ms Jackson	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Ellis	Mr Jenkins	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Emerson	Mr Kerr	Ms Plibersek	Mr Wilkie
Mr Evans	Ms C. F. King	Mr Price	Mr Zahra
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr Quick*	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), the Bill was read a third time.

22 MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT (LIFE GOLD PASS) BILL 2002—SENATE'S REQUEST

The order of the day having been read for the consideration of the amendment requested by the Senate—

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration) moved—That the requested amendment be not made.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr J. N. Andrew, in the Chair)—

AYES, 76

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Katter	Mr Randall
Mr Anderson	Mr Dutton	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mrs Elson	Jackie Kelly	Mr Schultz
Mr Anthony	Mr Entsch	Dr Kemp	Mr Secker
Fran Bailey	Mr Farmer	Mr P. E. King	Mr Slipper
Mr Baird	Mr Forrest*	Mrs Ley	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mr Lindsay	Mr Somlyay
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr Lloyd	Dr Southcott
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr McArthur*	Dr Stone
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Haase	Mr McGauran	Mr Ticehurst
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mrs Moylan	Mr Tollner
Mr Brough	Mr Hartsuyker	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Hawker	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Mr Cameron	Mr Hockey	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Causley	Mrs Hull	Ms Panopoulos	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Charles	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Wakelin
Mr Ciobo	Mr Johnson	Mr Prosser	Dr Washer
Mr Cobb	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams

NOES, 57

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Ms Roxon
Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Livermore	Mr Sawford
Mr Beazley	Ms George	Mr McClelland	Mr Sercombe
Mr Bevis	Mr Gibbons	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sidebottom
Ms Burke	Ms Gillard	Ms Macklin	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Byrne	Ms Grierson	Mr McLeay	Mr Snowdon
Ms Corcoran	Mr Griffin	Mr McMullan	Mr Swan
Mr Cox	Ms Hall	Mr Melham	Mr Tanner
Mrs Crosio	Mr Hatton	Mr Mossfield	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Danby*	Mrs Irwin	Mr Murphy	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Edwards	Ms Jackson	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr Wilkie
Ms Ellis	Mr Jenkins	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zahra
Mr Emerson	Mr Kerr	Mr Price	
Mr Evans	Ms C. F. King	Mr Quick*	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr Ripoll	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

23 MEDICAL INDEMNITY AGREEMENT (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE—BINDING COMMONWEALTH OBLIGATIONS) 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 by Mr S. F. Smith who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words:

“while supporting the provisions of the Bill, the House:

- (1) condemns the Government for not adequately recognising the medical indemnity insurance problem and not acting quickly enough to address its adverse effects, including higher medical costs and reduced availability of services for Australians and their families;
- (2) recognises the ongoing problems in the general insurance, reinsurance and medical indemnity insurance industries and that confidence in those industries has been rocked by the collapse of HIH and the provisional liquidation of UMP/AMIL; and
- (3) calls on the Government to:
 - (a) assume a leadership role in the co-ordination of reforms necessary to State and Territory laws with the aim of uniformity in tort law reforms;
 - (b) consider putting in place a national scheme to ensure the long term care and rehabilitation needs of catastrophically injured Australians;
 - (c) ask the ACCC to ensure that whatever changes occur in medical indemnity insurance, no unfair or unreasonable oncosts flow to patients for the cost of their health care;
 - (d) play a more active role in bringing together medical defence organisations and representing them in negotiations with reinsurers;
 - (e) support APRA with appropriate resources to fulfil a greater regulatory role in medical indemnity insurance;
 - (f) require mandatory reporting of negligence claims and national data collection on health care negligence cases to help assess where major problem areas and issues lie;
 - (g) promote the enactment of national “open disclosure” legislation, including provision that an apology made as part of an open disclosure process is inadmissible in an action for medical negligence; and
 - (h) ensure that medical services provided by private hospitals, midwives, family planning clinics and aboriginal medical services are not disrupted due to a lack of appropriate and affordable insurance.”

Debate continued.

Mr Cadman addressing the House—

24 ADJOURNMENT

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

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 8 p.m.—The Deputy Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 9.30 a.m.

PAPERS

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 16 October 2002:

Privacy Act—Determinations—2002 Nos PID 9, PID 9A.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Brereton*, Mr Downer, Ms Hoare, Mrs May*, Ms O’Byrne*, Mr Sciacca, Mr Scott* and Ms Worth*.

* On leave

I. C. HARRIS
Clerk of the House of Representatives

2002

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 52

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2002

1 The Main Committee met at 9.40 a.m.

2 **MEMBERS' STATEMENTS**

Members' statements were made.

3 **ABORIGINAL LAND RIGHTS (NORTHERN TERRITORY) AMENDMENT 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 Snowdon, by leave, presented the following paper:

Central Land Council—House of Representatives Standing Committee on Industry and Resources—Inquiry into Resource Impediments, 9 October 2002, Darwin.

Debate continued.

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.

4 **EXCISE LAWS 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 **EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 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 **NEW BUSINESS TAX SYSTEM (CONSOLIDATION AND OTHER MEASURES) 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.

7 NEW BUSINESS TAX SYSTEM (FRANKING DEFICIT TAX) AMENDMENT 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.

8 TERRORIST ATTACKS IN BALI—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Abbott (Leader of the House)—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on 15 October 2002*), viz.:

Terrorist attacks in Bali—

Debate resumed.

Suspension of sitting

At 1.26 p.m., the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

Resumption of sitting

At 4.00 p.m., the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Debate continued.

Suspension of sitting

At 6.03 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

Resumption of sitting

At 6.19 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

Debate continued.

Suspension of sitting

At 6.31 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

Resumption of sitting

At 6.43 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

Debate continued.

Debate adjourned (Mrs Hull) and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

9 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mrs Hull, the Main Committee adjourned at 7.35 p.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