#### THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

## No. 62

## THURSDAY, 13 OCTOBER 2005

1 The House met, at 9 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable David Hawker) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

#### 2 COMMONWEALTH RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT BILL 2005

Dr Nelson (Minister for Education, Science and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make provision in relation to the selection of a site for, and the establishment and operation of, a radioactive waste management facility, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Member directed to leave

At 9.06 a.m. the Member for Lingiari (Mr Snowdon) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for continuing to interject after a warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

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Dr Nelson presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

#### 3 COMMONWEALTH RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT (RELATED AMENDMENT) BILL 2005

Dr Nelson (Minister for Education, Science and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make an amendment related to the *Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Act 2005*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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Dr Nelson presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

## 4 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSAL

Mr Hunt (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage) moved Customs Tariff Proposal No. 4 (2005).

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

## **5 TARIFF PROPOSALS**

Mr Hunt (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage) moved— Excise Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2005); and

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 5 (2005).

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

## 6 HIGHER EDUCATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (2005 MEASURES NO. 4) BILL 2005

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. 114, 6 September 2005, 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 immediately.

On the motion of Mr Farmer (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education, Science and Training), the bill was read a third time.

## 7 EDUCATION SERVICES FOR OVERSEAS STUDENTS AMENDMENT BILL 2005

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 Ms Macklin (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) who moved, as an amendment— That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "whilst not declining to give the bill a second reading, the House:

- (1) in light of the contradiction between the ESOS bill and the VSU bill, and the Minister's humiliating backdown on introducing VSU for the 2006 academic year, condemns the Government; and
- (2) believes that the Government must now withdraw its VSU bill, and avoid the inconsistency in making student services fees compulsory for overseas students at Australian universities while trying to ban fees being charged to Australian students".

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

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

#### AYES, 74

Mr Abbott	Mr Entsch	Mrs Ley	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Secker
Fran Bailey	Mr Fawcett	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr Baker	Mr M. D. Ferguson	Mr McArthur*	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Baldwin	Mr Forrest*	Mr McGauran	Mr Somlyay
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mrs Markus	Dr Stone
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mrs May	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Billson	Mr Haase	Mr Nairn	Mr Ticehurst
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Dr Nelson	Mr Tollner
Ms J. Bishop	Mr Hartsuyker	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Broadbent	Mr Henry	Ms Panopoulos	Mr Tuckey
Mr Brough	Mr Hockey	Mr Pearce	Mr Turnbull
Mr Cadman	Mrs Hull	Mr Prosser	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Causley	Mr Hunt	Mr Pyne	Mr Vasta
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Randall	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cobb	Mr Keenan	Mr Richardson	Dr Washer
Mrs Draper	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Robb	Mr Wood
Mr Dutton	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ruddock	
Mrs Elson	Mr Laming	Mr Schultz	

Mr Adams	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Kerr	Ms Roxon
Mr Albanese	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms C. King	Mr Rudd
Mr Beazley	Mr Fitzgibbon	Dr Lawrence	Mr Sawford
Mr Bevis	Mr Garrett	Ms Livermore	Mr Sercombe
Ms Bird*	Mr Georganas	Ms Macklin	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Bowen	Mr Gibbons	Mr McMullan	Mr Snowdon
Mr T. S. Burke	Ms Gillard	Mr Melham	Mr Swan
Mr Byrne	Ms Grierson	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Ms Corcoran	Mr Griffin	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Edwards	Mr Hatton	Ms Owens	Mr Wilkie
Mrs Elliot	Mr Hayes	Ms Plibersek	Mr Windsor
Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Hoare	Mr Price	
Mr Emerson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Ripoll	
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#### NOES, 54

\* 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.

#### Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to, after debate.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Mr Farmer (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education, Science and Training), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

### 8 LAW AND JUSTICE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (VIDEO LINK EVIDENCE AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2005

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 Ms Roxon who moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "whilst not declining to give the bill a second reading, the House notes with concern that:

- (1) the video link evidence provisions of the bill will have a retrospective effect, applying to proceedings instituted before the commencement of the new provisions;
- (2) the proposals in the bill in relation to the admissibility of video link evidence appear to favour prosecutors over defendants by providing a court with a narrower discretion to disallow prosecution evidence compared to defence evidence;
- (3) a number of the measures appear to be inconsistent with similar measures allowing video link evidence both within the *Crimes Act 1914* and under other Acts;
- (4) the definition of an 'observer' is inadequate;
- (5) courts would face practical and legal obstacles to the enforcement of contempt and perjury laws in cases where video link evidence is received from a foreign country; and
- (6) there is a serious question as to whether coverage of the bill is adequate".

Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

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

#### Message from the Administrator

Message No. 115, 14 September 2005, from His Excellency the Administrator was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved immediately.

On the motion of Mr Ruddock (Attorney-General), the bill was read a third time.

# 9 NATIONAL HEALTH AMENDMENT (BUDGET MEASURES—PHARMACEUTICAL BENEFITS SAFETY NET) BILL 2005

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 Ms Gillard who moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "whilst not declining to give the bill a second reading, the House condemns the Government for:

- (1) failing to invest in the long term sustainability of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme;
- (2) failing to tell the Australian public at the last election that additional changes to the PBS safety net and patient co-payment were planned in addition to the 21% increase in co-payments and safety nets introduced last January;
- (3) continuing to implement changes to the PBS despite the fact that PBS growth rates have already slowed substantially and despite the fact that these changes will hit the poorest and sickest Australians;
- (4) failing to ensure that the 20 day restriction rule contains sufficient exemptions to cover situations that will arise regularly to require people to get their prescriptions filled inside that timeframe; and
- (5) providing further opportunities for the Minister for Health and Ageing to intervene to limit the availability of medicines on the PBS".

#### Debate continued.

It being 2 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 97, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

## 10 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

#### Suspension of standing and sessional orders moved

Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the Opposition moving immediately—That this House censure the Howard Government for:

- (1) its deliberate deception of the Australian people about the damage its extreme industrial relations changes will do to Australians and their families; and
- (2) its outrageous waste of taxpayers' dollars for a fraudulent advertising campaign which is really Liberal Party propaganda and spin.

Debate ensued.

#### Member directed to leave

At 3.09 p.m. the Member for Gorton (Mr B. P. O'Connor) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for continuing to interject after a warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Debate continued.

The time allowed by standing order 1 for debate on the motion having expired—

#### Question-put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Hawker, in the Chair)-

#### AYES, 53

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Mr Adams	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms C. King	Ms Roxon
Mr Albanese	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Rudd
Mr Beazley	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Livermore	Mr Sawford
Mr Bevis	Mr Garrett	Mr McClelland	Mr Sercombe
Ms Bird*	Mr Georganas	Ms Macklin	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Bowen	Mr Gibbons	Mr McMullan	Mr Snowdon
Ms A. E. Burke	Ms Gillard	Mr Melham	Mr Swan
Mr T. S. Burke	Ms Grierson	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Ms Corcoran	Ms Hall*	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Ms Owens	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Edwards	Mr Hayes	Ms Plibersek	Mr Wilkie
Mrs Elliot	Ms Hoare	Mr Price	
Ms K. M. Ellis	Mr Katter	Mr Quick	
Mr Emerson	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll	
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Mr Abbott	Mrs Elson	Mr Laming	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mr Entsch	Mrs Ley	Mr Schultz
Mr Andrews	Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Fran Bailey	Mr Fawcett	Mr Lloyd	Mr Secker
Mr Baird	Mr M. D. Ferguson	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr Baker	Mr Forrest*	Mr Macfarlane	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Baldwin	Mr Georgiou	Mr McGauran	Mr Somlyay
Mr Barresi	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Dr Stone
Mr Bartlett	Mr Hardgrave	Mrs May	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mr Nairn	Mr Ticehurst
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Henry	Dr Nelson	Mr Tollner
Ms J. Bishop	Mr Hockey	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Broadbent	Mr Howard	Ms Panopoulos	Mr Tuckey
Mr Brough	Mrs Hull	Mr Pearce	Mr Turnbull
Mr Causley	Mr Hunt	Mr Prosser	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Pyne	Mr Vasta
Mr Cobb	Mr Keenan	Mr Randall	Mr Wakelin
Mrs Draper	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Richardson	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Jackie Kelly	Mr Robb	Mr Wood

\* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Questions without notice concluded.

## 11 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT

The Speaker presented the following document:

Auditor-General—Audit report No. 12 of 2005–2006—Performance audit—Review of the evaluation methods and continuous improvement processes for Australia's national counter-terrorism coordination arrangements.

Ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

### **12 DOCUMENTS**

The following documents were presented:

Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation—Report for 2004-05.

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission—Report—Competition in the corporate customer segment of the telecommunications industry: January-December 2004, July 2005.

Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee—Report—Corporate insolvency laws: A stocktake—Government response.

CrimTrac Agency—Report for 2004-05.

Export Market Development Grants-List of grant recipients for 2004-05.

International Air Services Commission-Report for 2004-05.

Snowy Hydro Limited—Report for the period 27 June 2004 to 2 July 2005.

Telecommunications (Interception) Amendment (Stored Communications and Other Measures) Bill 2005—Correction to the explanatory memorandum.

## 13 DOCUMENT-MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT

Mr Abbott (Leader of the House) moved-That the House take note of the following document:

Export Market Development Grants-List of grant recipients for 2004-05.

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

## 14 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—SKILLING THE AUSTRALIAN WORKFORCE

The House was informed that Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The threat to the economic and social wellbeing of Australian families posed by the Government's low wage industrial relations regime and its failure to invest in skilling the Australian workforce".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support-

Mr Beazley addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

#### 15 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT

Mrs Ley (Parliamentary Secretary—Children and Youth Affairs) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday, 31 October 2005, at 12.30 p.m., unless the Speaker or, in the event of the Speaker being unavailable, the Deputy Speaker, fixes an alternative day or hour of meeting.

Debate ensued.

Closure

Mrs Ley moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Hawker, in the Chair)-

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Mr Abbott	Mrs Elson	Mrs Ley	Mr Secker
Mr Anderson	Mr Entsch	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr Andrews	Mr Farmer	Mr McArthur*	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Fran Bailey	Mr Fawcett	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Somlyay
Mr Baird	Mr M. D. Ferguson	Mr McGauran	Dr Stone
Mr Baker	Mr Forrest*	Mrs Markus	Mr C. P. Thompson
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Mr Causley	Dr Jensen	Mr Randall	Dr Washer
Mr Ciobo	Mr Keenan	Mr Richardson	Mr Wood
Mr Cobb	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock	
Mrs Draper	Jackie Kelly	Mr Schultz	
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Scott	
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Mr Adams	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Hoare	Ms Plibersek
Mr Albanese	Mr Emerson	Mr Kerr	Mr Price
Mr Bevis	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms C. King	Mr Ripoll
Ms Bird*	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Bowen	Mr Garrett	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford
Mr T. S. Burke	Mr Georganas	Mr McMullan	Mr Sercombe
Mr Byrne	Mr Gibbons	Mr Melham	Mr Snowdon
Ms Corcoran	Ms Gillard	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Edwards	Mr Hatton	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Ms Vamvakinou
Mrs Elliot	Mr Hayes	Ms Owens	Mr Wilkie

AYES, 73

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

#### **16 ADJOURNMENT NEGATIVED**

It being 4.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mrs Ley (Parliamentary Secretary—Children and Youth Affairs) requiring the question to be put immediately without debate—

Question-put and negatived.

#### 17 THERAPEUTIC GOODS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2005-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 Ley (Parliamentary Secretary—Children and Youth Affairs), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

#### **18 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE**

Messages from the Senate, 13 October 2005, were reported returning the following bills without amendment:

Message-

No. 210-Customs Tariff Amendment (Commonwealth Games) 2005.

No. 212—Copyright Amendment (Film Directors' Rights) 2005.

# 19 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—MIGRATION AND OMBUDSMAN LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2005

Message No. 209, 13 October 2005, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for an Act to amend the *Ombudsman Act 1976* and the law relating to migration, 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.

#### 20 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—CONSULAR PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES AMENDMENT BILL 2005

Message No. 211, 13 October 2005, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for an Act to amend the *Consular Privileges and Immunities Act 1972*, 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.

### 21 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—REPORT

Mrs Draper (Chair) presented the following document:

#### PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Publications Committee reports that it has met in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate.

The Committee, having considered documents presented to Parliament since 15 September 2005, recommends that the following be made Parliamentary Papers:

Attorney-General's Department—Report for 2004-05.

Australia Council-Report for 2004-05.

Australia Post—Report for 2004-05.

Australian Bureau of Statistics-Report for 2004-05.

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission—Report for 2004-05.

Australian Electoral Commission—Reports—

2004-05.

Funding and disclosure—Election 2004.

Australian Federal Police-Report for 2004-05.

Australian Film Commission—Report for 2004-05.

Australian Film, Television and Radio School—Report for 2004-05.

Australian War Memorial-Report for 2004-05.

Commonwealth Grants Commission-Report for 2004-05.

Commonwealth Ombudsman—Report No. 3 of 2005—Inquiry into the circumstances of the Vivian Alvarez matter.

Crimes Act 1914—Controlled operations—Report for 2004-05

Department of Human Services-Report for 2004-05.

Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources-Report for 2004-05.

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet-Report for 2004-05.

Employment Advocate—Report for 2004-05.

Export Finance and Insurance Corporation—Report for 2004-05.

Export Market Development Grants Act—Review of the Export Market Development Grants Scheme 2005, June 2005.

Family Law Council—Report for 2004-05.

Family Law Council—Report for 2004-05—Corrigendum.

Federal Police Disciplinary Tribunal—Report for 2004-05.

Film Australia Limited—Report for 2004-05.

Higher education—Report for 2004-05.

Housing Assistance Act 1996—Report for 2003-04.

Medibank Private—Report for 2004-05.

National Competition Council—Report for 2004-05.

National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme-Report for 2004-05.

National Library of Australia—Report for 2004-05.

National Museum of Australia-Report for 2004-05.

National Occupational Health and Safety Commission-Report for 2004-05.

National Water Commission—Report for 17 December 2004 to 30 June 2005.

Northern Territory Fisheries Joint Authority-Report for 2002-03.

Productivity Commission—Report No. 32—Review of Part X of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*: International liner cargo shipping, 23 February 2005.

Public Service Commissioner—Report, incorporating the report of the Merit Protection Commissioner for 2004-05.

Repatriation Commission, Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission, Department of Veterans' Affairs and the National Treatment Monitoring Committee—Report for 2004-05.

Special Broadcasting Service Corporation (SBS)-Report for 2004-05.

Torres Strait Protected Zone Joint Authority—Report for 2002-03.

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On the motion of Mrs Draper, by leave, the report was agreed to.

#### **22 DOCUMENTS**

Mrs Ley (Parliamentary Secretary—Children and Youth Affairs) presented the following documents: Petitions not in accord with standing and sessional orders of the House.

## **23 ADJOURNMENT**

Mrs Ley (Parliamentary Secretary-Children and Youth Affairs) moved-That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 5 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until 12.30 p.m. on Monday, 31 October 2005, in accordance with the resolution agreed to this sitting.

#### DOCUMENT

The following document was deemed to have been presented on 13 October 2005: Sydney Airport Curfew Act—Dispensation—2005 No. 8.

## ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Ms A. E. Burke, Mr Costello, Mr Danby, Mr Downer, Ms A. L. Ellis, Ms Gambaro, Ms George, Mrs Irwin, Mr Johnson, Mr Jull\*, Mrs Moylan, Dr Southcott\* and Mr M. A. J. Vaile.

\* On leave

I. C. HARRIS Clerk of the House of Representatives 2004-05

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

## No. 62

## MAIN COMMITTEE

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, 13 OCTOBER 2005

1 The Main Committee met at 9.30 a.m.

#### **2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS**

Members' statements were made.

#### 3 THERAPEUTIC GOODS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2005

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 immediately.

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

#### 4 ENERGY EFFICIENCY OPPORTUNITIES BILL 2005

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 M. J. Ferguson who moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "whilst not declining to give the bill a second reading, the House:

- (1) calls on the Government to introduce energy efficiency to all sectors of the community, including transport and housing, as well as business;
- (2) condemns the Government for failing to support the alternative fuel and renewable energy industries; and
- (3) condemns the Government for not adopting the bipartisan recommendations put forward by the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Environment and Heritage in its report on Sustainable Cities".

Debate continued.

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

## **5** ADJOURNMENT

Mrs Gash moved—That the Main Committee do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

At 12.54 p.m. the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee until 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 2 November 2005.

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**B. C. WRIGHT** Clerk of the Main Committee