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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 119

MONDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER 2006

1 The House met, at 12.30 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable David Hawker) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

The Speaker presented the following document:

Australian Parliamentary Delegation to Malaysia and Japan—10 to 22 April 2006—Report, August 2006—

and made a statement in connection with the report.

Mr G. M. O'Connor also made a statement in connection with the report.

3 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Mr A. D. H. Smith (Chair) presented the following document:

Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Committee—Report 407—Review of Auditor-General's Reports tabled between 18 January and 18 April 2005, August 2006.

Ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

Statements in connection with the report were made.

4 PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT—REFERENCE TO MAIN COMMITTEE

Mrs May (Chair) presented the following documents:

Procedure—Standing Committee—Learning from other Parliaments: Study program 2006—Report, August 2006.

Minutes of proceedings.

Supplementary CD.

Report ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

Statements in connection with the report were made.

The time allotted for making statements on the report having expired—

Mrs May moved—That the House take note of the report.

In accordance with sessional order 39, the debate was adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

Mrs May moved—That the order of the day be referred to the Main Committee for debate.

Question—put and passed.

5 ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT

Dr Washer (Chair) presented the following document:

Environment and Heritage—Standing Committee—Review of Green Office Procurement Audit—Review of Audit Report No. 22, 2005-2006—Interim report—Inquiry into a Sustainability Charter, August 2006.

Ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

Statements in connection with the report were made.

The time allotted for making statements on the report having expired—

Dr Washer moved—That the House take note of the report.

In accordance with sessional order 39, the debate was adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

6 FUEL QUALITY STANDARDS (RENEWABLE CONTENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL) AMENDMENT BILL 2006

Mr Katter, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Fuel Quality Standards Act 2000* to regulate the amount of renewable fuel in motor vehicle fuel, and for related purposes.

Mr Katter made a statement in relation to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting, in accordance with standing order 41.

7 MICROCREDIT

Mr Garrett, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) microcredit is a particularly effective and sustainable means of eradicating poverty;
 - (b) microcredit borrowers, particularly women, generate income that allows them to feed, clothe, educate and care for the health of their children;
 - (c) to date 66.6 million people in the world have been reached with microcredit services;
 - (d) Goal 1 of the Millennium Development Goals (MDG) seeks to eradicate poverty, while its 2015 target is to reduce by half the number of people living on less than \$1 per day;
 - (e) if the new Microcredit Summit goal of having 175 million of the world's poorest families receiving microcredit were reached by 2015, then nearly half the MDG target would be met;
 - (f) Australia spent \$14.5 million on microcredit in the 2005-06 Aid Budget, which is 0.6% of the Aid Budget; and
 - (g) the USA, which funded microcredit longer than most donor countries, has established an international benchmark for microcredit spending, being 1.25% of the aid budget;
- (2) urges the Australian Government to agree to support the new Microcredit Summit goal of having 175 million of the world's poorest people receiving microcredit by 2015 as a means of achieving the MDG; and
- (3) urges the Australian Government to increase the proportion of money it allocates to microcredit to 1.25% of the aid budget.

Debate ensued.

At 1.45 p.m., the time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 43, Mr Barresi was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed, and the resumption of the debate was made an order of the day for the next sitting.

8 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

9 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence overseas of Mr Downer (Minister for Foreign Affairs), Mr M. A. J. Vaile (Deputy Prime Minister) would answer questions on his behalf.

10 DEATH OF FORMER MEMBER (THE HONOURABLE D. L. CHIPP)

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) referred to the death of the Honourable D. L. Chipp, and moved—That this House record its deep regret at the death on 28 August 2006 of the Honourable Donald Leslie Chipp AO, former Federal Minister in the House of Representatives, the founder and former Leader of the

Australian Democrats and Senator for Victoria and place on record its appreciation of his long and meritorious public service and tender its profound sympathy to his family in their bereavement.

Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and Mr M. A. J. Vaile (Leader of the Nationals) and Ms Macklin (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—

Debate adjourned (Mr Abbott—Leader of the House), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

11 MATTER REFERRED TO MAIN COMMITTEE

Mr Abbott (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That the resumption of debate on the Prime Minister's motion of condolence in connection with the death of the Honourable Donald Leslie Chipp AO (*see item No. 10*) be referred to the Main Committee.

Question—put and passed.

12 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were asked.

13 PETITIONS

Petitions lodged for presentation were announced.

14 HUMAN RIGHTS IN IRAN

Mr Baird, pursuant to notice, moved—That the House:

- (1) notes the serious discrimination that exists in Iran towards Bahá'ís, Assyrians, Chaldeans and Serbo Mandaeans;
- (2) calls on Iran to recognise the legitimate rights of minorities involving their access to university training and enrolment in professions; and
- (3) requests the United Nations Human Rights Commission to undertake dialogue with Iran over their continued human rights concerns in that country.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

15 HEALTHCARE

Mr Georganas, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House condemn the Federal Government for:

- (1) failing to adequately fund healthcare in Australia;
- (2) its role in causing the current doctor and nurse shortage in Australia; and
- (3) failing to adequately address this shortage.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for private Members' business having expired, the debate was interrupted, the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting, and Mrs Mirabella was granted leave to continue her speech when the debate is resumed.

16 GRIEVANCE DEBATE

Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 44, the order of the day having been read—

Question proposed—That grievances be noted.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for the debate having expired—

Question—That grievances be noted—put and passed.

17 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS

Message No. 197, 18 August 2006, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following bills:

Australian Technical Colleges (Flexibility in Achieving Australia's Skills Needs) Amendment 2006.
Trade Practices Amendment (National Access Regime) 2006.

18 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Messages from the Senate, 17 August 2006, were reported returning the following bills without amendment:

No. 359—Australia-Japan Foundation (Repeal and Transitional Provisions) 2006.

No. 360—Therapeutic Goods Amendment (No. 3) 2006.

No. 361—Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment (Export Control and Quarantine) 2006.

19 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—TRADE MARKS AMENDMENT BILL 2006

Message No. 358, 17 August 2006, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for an Act to amend the *Trade Marks Act 1995*, 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 INDIGENOUS EDUCATION (TARGETED ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL 2006

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 Ms Macklin (Deputy Leader of the Opposition), viz.*—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) condemns the Government for:

- (a) failing to deliver urgently needed funding for Indigenous students by insisting on complex and bureaucratic administrative arrangements that prevent many schools and communities from benefiting from education programs;
- (b) causing a \$126 million underspend in Indigenous Education Strategic Initiatives expenditure in 2004-05 through bureaucratic bungling;
- (c) imposing impenetrable red tape that has led to a decline in the involvement of Indigenous communities in the parent-school partnership initiative;
- (d) failing to provide sufficient resources for early intervention programs in schools to raise Indigenous children's literacy standards;
- (e) reducing the number of Indigenous school children who access tutorial assistance by making eligibility requirements more restrictive and short-term; and
- (f) presiding over ten long years over continuing gaps in educational and training participation and performance between Indigenous and non-Indigenous students; and

(2) calls on the Government to reform its funding criteria and guidelines so as to the address the above concerns and provide all Indigenous students with the opportunity to achieve quality schooling results”—

Debate resumed.

Amendment negatived.

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. 198, 19 June 2006, 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 Ms J. Bishop (Minister for Education, Science and Training), the bill was read a third time.

21 MARITIME TRANSPORT AND OFFSHORE FACILITIES SECURITY AMENDMENT (SECURITY PLANS AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2006

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 Bevis 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 Howard Government for its failure to provide necessary maritime security and protect Australians, including:

- (1) the Howard Government’s failure to conduct security checks on foreign crews;
- (2) the Government’s continued failure to ensure foreign ships provide manifestos of crew and cargo before arriving at an Australian port;
- (3) the ready availability of single and multiple voyage permits for foreign flag of convenience ships including the ready availability of permits for foreign flag of convenience ships carrying dangerous materials in Australian waters and ports;
- (4) the failure of the Howard Government to examine or x-ray 90% of shipping containers;
- (5) the Government’s failure to create a Department of Homeland Security to remove dangerous gaps and to better coordinate security in Australia; and
- (6) the Howard Government’s failure to establish an Australian Coastguard to patrol our coastline”.

Debate continued.

Mr Hatton addressing the House—

22 ADJOURNMENT

It being 9 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 9.29 p.m., adjourned until 2 p.m. tomorrow.

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 4 September 2006:

Aged Care Act—Determinations under—

subsection 44-12 (3)—2006—No. ACA 20 [F2006L02780].

section 52-1—2006—No. ACA 18 [F2006L02784].

subsection 52-1 (1)—2006—Nos ACA 13, ACA 19 [F2006L02771], [F2006L02805].

Appropriation Act (No. 3) 2003-2004—Determination to reduce appropriation upon request—No. 2 of 2006-2007—28 July 2006 [F2006L02781].

Appropriation Act (No. 4) 2003-2004—Determination to reduce appropriation upon request—No. 1 of 2006-2007—28 July 2006 [F2006L02778].

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Proposal—2006 No. 5.

Australian Crime Commission Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2006 No. 219 [F2006L02563].

Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act—Determination under section 57—2006—(Confidentiality) No. 11, 25 August [F2006L02844].

Aviation Transport Security Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2006 No. 224 [F2006L02777].

Christmas Island Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2006 No. 225 [F2006L02819].

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Safety Regulations—Airworthiness Directives—Part 39-105—2006—

1 September [F2006L02963].

- 28 (3) July [F2006L02833], [F2006L02834], [F2006L02841].
 14 (2) August [F2006L02878], [F2006L02882].
 17 (9) August [F2006L02836], [F2006L02837], [F2006L02838], [F2006L02839], [F2006L02840], [F2006L02848], [F2006L02849], [F2006L02850], [F2006L02851].
 18 (2) August [F2006L02835], [F2006L02847].
 24 (3) August [F2006L02829], [F2006L02830], [F2006L02832].
 29 (3) August [F2006L02892], [F2006L02896], [F2006L02897].
 Part 39-106—2006—14 (2) August [F2006L02862], [F2006L02863].
 Part 39-107—2006—14 (5) August [F2006L02873], [F2006L02874], [F2006L02875], [F2006L02876], [F2006L02877].
- Cocos (Keeling) Islands Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2006 No. 226 [F2006L02822].
- Corporations Act—Declaration under paragraph 1020F(1)(c)—Australian Securities and Investments Commission—Class Order CO 06/623 [F2006L02731].
- Criminal Code Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instruments—2006 Nos 220, 221 [F2006L02639], [F2006L02640].
- Customs Act—Tariff Concession Orders—2006—
 11 (13) August [F2006L02696], [F2006L02699], [F2006L02702], [F2006L02717], [F2006L02718], [F2006L02719], [F2006L02720], [F2006L02721], [F2006L02722], [F2006L02723], [F2006L02724], [F2006L02725], [F2006L02726].
 18 (11) August [F2006L02806], [F2006L02807], [F2006L02808], [F2006L02809], [F2006L02810], [F2006L02811], [F2006L02812], [F2006L02813], [F2006L02814], [F2006L02815], [F2006L02816].
 Tariff Concession Revocation—2006—12 (4) August [F2006L02706], [F2006L02708], [F2006L02711], [F2006L02716].
- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act—Instruments under—
 subsection 184(1)—14 (4) August 2006 [F2006L02714], [F2006L02727], [F2006L02728], [F2006L02733].
 paragraph 303EC(1)(a)—16 August 2006 [F2006L02818].
- Excise Act—Determination—2006 Excise (Denatured spirits) (No. 2) [F2006L02799].
- Export Control Act—Export Control (Orders) Regulations—2006—
 Export Control (Fees) Amendment Orders (No. 2) [F2006L02820].
 Export Control (Plants and plant products) Amendment Orders (No. 1) [F2006L02713].
- Financial Management and Accountability Act—
 Determinations to establish a special account—2006 Nos 31, 35, 38, 40, 42, 45, 48, 50, 53, 55, 57, 59, 60 [F2006L02736], [F2006L02740], [F2006L02886], [F2006L02889], [F2006L02893], [F2006L02898], [F2006L02902], [F2006L02903], [F2006L02906], [F2006L02908], [F2006L02910], [F2006L02917], [F2006L02919].
 Determinations to vary a special account—2006 Nos 36, 43, 46, 51 [F2006L02879], [F2006L02894], [F2006L02899], [F2006L02904].
 Determinations to vary and abolish a special account—2006 Nos 37, 39, 41, 44, 47, 49, 52, 54, 56, 58 [F2006L02885], [F2006L02887], [F2006L02891], [F2006L02895], [F2006L02901], [F2006L02900], [F2006L02905], [F2006L02907], [F2006L02909], [F2006L02914].
- Fisheries Management Act—
 Eastern Tuna and Billfish Fishery Management Plan 2005—Direction—2006 No. 2 [F2006L02786].
 Macquarie Island Toothfish Fishery Management Plan 2006—Direction—2006 No. 1 [F2006L02775].
 Northern Prawn Fishery Management Plan 1995—Direction—2006 No. NPF 100 [F2006L02768].
- Fuel Tax Act—Determination—2006 Fuel blends (No. 3) [F2006L02798].
- Health Insurance Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2006 No. 223 [F2006L02749].
- Higher Education Support Act—Higher education provider—Notice of approval—2006 No. 9 [F2006L02883].
- Industry Research and Development Act—Direction—2006 Pharmaceuticals partnerships program, No. 1 [F2006L02853].
- Lighthouses Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2006 No. 227 [F2006L02823].

- Maritime College Act—Australian Maritime College Statutes—2005—Rules—
 AMC residences, 23 September [F2006L02670].
 Courses and awards, 25 November [F2006L02672].
 Student disciplinary, 23 September [F2006L02671].
 Traffic and parking, 22 July [F2006L02673].
- Medical Indemnity (Prudential Supervision and Product Standards) Act—Regulations—Select
 Legislative Instrument—2006 No. 232 [F2006L02770].
- Migration Act—
 Migration Regulations—Instrument—2006—Class of persons who may make an internet application
 for a tourist visa No. IMMI 06/047 [F2006L02762].
- Statements under—
 section 351—2006, 29 June 2006.
 section 417—2006, 16 June 2006 (2).
- Motor Vehicle Standards Act—Determinations—2006—
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 3/00—Seat anchorages) [F2006L02675].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 18/00—Instrumentation) [F2006L02735].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 19/00—Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices on
 L-group vehicles) [F2006L02741].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 23/00—Passenger car tyres) [F2006L02742].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 43/00—Vehicle configuration and marking) [F2006L02743].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 44/00—Specific purpose vehicle requirements)
 [F2006L02744].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 45/00—Lighting and light signalling devices not covered by
 ECE) [F2006L02802].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 49/00—Front and rear position (side) lamps, stop lamps and
 end outline marker lamps) [F2006L02745].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 54/00—Headlamps for mopeds) [F2006L02729].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 78/00—Gas discharge light sources) [F2006L02732].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 5/01—Anchorages for seatbelts and child restraints)
 [F2006L02734].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 14/01—Rear vision mirrors) [F2006L02689].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 18/01—Instrumentation) [F2006L02737].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 19/01—Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices on
 L-group vehicles) [F2006L02800].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 25/01—Anti-theft lock) [F2006L02691].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 43/01—Vehicle configuration and marking) [F2006L02692].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 44/01—Specific purpose vehicle requirements)
 [F2006L02695].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 61/01—Vehicle marking) [F2006L02730].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 18/02—Instrumentation) [F2006L02738].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 43/02—Vehicle configuration and dimensions)
 [F2006L02693].
 Vehicle Standard (Australian design rule 43/03—Vehicle configuration and dimensions)
 [F2006L02694].
- Murray-Darling Basin Act—Schedule E to Murray-Darling Basin Agreement—Transferring water
 entitlements and allocations, 14 August 2006.
- National Health Act—Determinations under—
 paragraph (bj) of Schedule 1—2006 No. HIB 18 [F2006L02803].
 subsection 5D(1)—2006 No. PSO 5 [F2006L02715].
 subsections 73AAG (6) and (7)—2006 No. HIB 19 [F2006L02880].
- Navigation Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instruments—2006 Nos 228, 229 [F2006L02824],
 [F2006L02827].
- Parliamentary Entitlements Act—Advice under paragraph 18(a), 29 August 2006.
- Payment Systems (Regulation) Act—Standards—2006 Reform of debit card systems in Australia-
 EFTPOS interchange fees [F2006L02817].

Plant Health Australia (Plant Industries) Funding Act—Determination—2006 Plant Health Australia (Plant Industries) Funding, 15 August [F2006L02753].

Privacy Act—

Determinations under paragraph 11B(1)(b)—2006 Nos 3, 4 [F2006L02868], [F2006L02869].

Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2006 No. 222 [F2006L02801].

Protection of the Sea (Civil Liability) Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2006 No. 230 [F2006L02826].

Protection of the Sea (Oil Pollution Compensation Fund) Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2006 No. 231 [F2006L02825].

Quarantine Act—Proclamations—2006 Quarantine Amendment (No. 4) [F2006L02796].

Radiocommunications Act—

Determinations—2006—

Radiocommunications (Spectrum licence allocation—2010-2025 MHz band) [F2006L02774].

Radiocommunications (Unacceptable levels of interference—2010-2025 MHz band) [F2006L02773].

Plan—2006—Radiocommunications spectrum marketing (2010-2025 MHz band) [F2006L02772].

Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act—Notice—2006 Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation (Licence eligibility) (No. 2) [F2006L02785].

Social Security Act—Declaration—2006 Social Security (Pension bonus scheme—Non-accruing members—Major disaster), 18 August [F2006L02804].

Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act—Determination—1995 No. SGD 1 (Withdrawal).

Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act—Determination under paragraph 66(2)(d)—2006, 28 August [F2006L02884].

Taxation Administration Act—

Determinations—

1993—No. TD 15 (Withdrawal)

2004—Nos TD 52 (Withdrawal), TD 53 (Addendum), TD 54 (Withdrawal), TD 55 (Addendum), TD 56 (Withdrawal), TD 59 (Addendum), TD 61 (Withdrawal), TD 62 (Addendum).

2006—No. TD 50.

Rulings—

1994—No. TR 2 (Withdrawal).

1999—No. TR 13 (Withdrawal).

2005—

No. CR 101 (Withdrawal).

Nos PR 102 (Withdrawal), PR 119

2006—

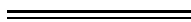
Nos CR 77, CR 78, CR 78 (Erratum), CR 79, CR 80, CR 81, CR82, CR 83. CR 84, CR 85.

Nos IT 2112 (Withdrawal), IT 2140 (Withdrawal).

Nos PR 48 (Withdrawal), PR 77 (Withdrawal), PR 108 (Withdrawal), PR 123, PR 124.

Veterans' Entitlements Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2006 No. 210 [F2005L02536]

Veterans' Entitlements Act and Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act—Instruments under subsection 196B—2006 Nos 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50 [F2006L02750], [F2006L02751], [F2006L02752], [F2006L02754], [F2006L02755], [F2006L02756], [F2006L02758], [F2006L02759], [F2006L02760], [F2006L02761], [F2006L02763], [F2006L02764], [F2006L02765], [F2006L02766], [F2006L02767], [F2006L02769].



ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Crean, Mr Danby, Mr Downer, Mr Entsch, Mrs Gash, Mr Griffin, Mr Macfarlane and Mrs Markus.



I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER 2006

1 The Main Committee met at 4 p.m.

2 LEARNING FROM OTHER PARLIAMENTS: STUDY PROGRAM 2006—STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the document (*presented on 4 September 2006*), *viz.*—

Procedure—Standing Committee—Learning from other Parliaments: Study program 2006—Report, August 2006—

Debate resumed.

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

3 ENERGY INITIATIVES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT

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 document (*presented on 14 August 2006*), *viz.*—

Energy Initiatives—Ministerial Statement—

Debate resumed.

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

4 VIETNAM VETERANS' DAY AND THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF LONG TAN—STATEMENTS BY THE PRIME MINISTER AND LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF STATEMENTS—RESUMPTION OF DEBATE

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr McGauran (Deputy Leader of the House)—That the House take note of the statements of the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition on the subject of Vietnam Veterans' Day and the 40th Anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan—

Debate resumed.

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

5 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr Neville, the Main Committee adjourned at 5.40 p.m.

The Deputy Speaker fixed 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 6 September 2006 for the next meeting of the Main Committee.

B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the Main Committee