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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 153

THURSDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2007

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

2 **ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING AND COUNTER-TERRORISM FINANCING AMENDMENT BILL 2007**

Mr Ruddock (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006*, and for other purposes.

Document

Mr Ruddock presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Ruddock moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

3 **BANKRUPTCY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (DEBT AGREEMENTS) BILL 2007**

Mr Ruddock (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Bankruptcy Act 1966*, and for other purposes.

Document

Mr Ruddock presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Ruddock moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

4 **BANKRUPTCY (ESTATE CHARGES) AMENDMENT BILL 2007**

Mr Ruddock (Attorney-General) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Bankruptcy (Estate Charges) Act 1997*, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Ruddock presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Ruddock moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

5 **CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSAL**

Mr Ruddock (Attorney-General) moved Customs Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2007).

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

6 MIGRATION AMENDMENT (MARITIME CREW) BILL 2007

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

Document

Mr Andrews presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Andrews moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

7 BROADCASTING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2007

Mr McGauran (Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Broadcasting Services Act 1992*, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr McGauran presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr McGauran moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

8 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2007 MEASURES NO. 1) BILL 2007

Mr Dutton (Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to taxation, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Dutton presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Dutton moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

9 AGED CARE AMENDMENT (SECURITY AND PROTECTION) BILL 2007

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 third reading to be moved immediately.

On the motion of Mr Pyne (Assistant Minister for Health and Ageing), the bill was read a third time.

10 EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (WELFARE TO WORK AND VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES) 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.

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.

11 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Member directed to leave

At 2.40 p.m. the Member for Melbourne (Mr Tanner) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for reflecting on the Chair after a warning had been given, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing—

Member directed to leave

At 2.48 p.m. the Member for Lingiari (Mr Snowdon) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for continual interjection, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing—

Member directed to leave

At 2.55 p.m. the Member for Cowan (Mr Edwards) 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.

Questions without notice continuing—

Document

Mr Fitzgibbon, by leave, presented the following document:

New communications facility at Geraldton—Extract of proof transcript of interview with Mr Fitzgibbon, World Today, ABC, 15 February 2007.

Questions without notice continuing—

Document

Ms Roxon, by leave, presented the following document:

Total health expenditure, current prices, Australia, by area of expenditure and source of funds, 2003-04 and 2004-05—Copy of tables.

Questions without notice continuing—

Documents

Mr Abbott (Minister for Health and Ageing) presented the following documents:

Sale of Currawong workers retreat—Copies of—

Retreating in circles—*Daily Telegraph* report, 15 February 2007.

Various documents relating to the sale.

Questions without notice continued.

12 DOCUMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT

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

Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Account—Parliamentary Joint Committee—Report—Operation of Native Title Representative Bodies—Government response, and moved—That the House take note of the document.

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

13 DOCUMENTS

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

Petitions not in accord with standing and sessional orders of the House.

14 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT

Mr Abbott (Leader of the House) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday, 26 February 2007, 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.

Question—put and passed.

15 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—AUSTRALIA'S FUTURE

The House was informed that Mr Albanese had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's failure to develop a comprehensive plan to secure Australia's future, including a failure to properly plan to secure Australia's precious water resources".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Albanese addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

16 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—REPORT

Mrs Draper (Chair) presented the following document:

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Publications Committee reports that it has met and considered documents presented to the House of Representatives since 7 December 2006.

Administrative Review Council—Report for 2005-06.

Commonwealth Ombudsman—Activities in monitoring controlled operations conducted by the Australian Crime Commission and the Australian Federal Police—Report for 2005-06.

Copyright Agency Limited—Report for 2005-06.

CSS Board—Commonwealth Superannuation Scheme—Report for 2005-06.

Foreign Investment Review Board—Report for 2005-06.

Freedom of Information Act—

Report for 2005-06.

Report for 2005-06—Corrections.

High Court of Australia—Report for 2005-06.

Migration Agents Registration Authority—Report for 2005-06.

National Blood Authority—Report for 2005-06.

Native Title Act—Native title representative bodies—Reports for 2005-06—

Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement Inc. Native Title Unit.

Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation.

South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council.

Official Establishments Trust—Report for 2005-06.

Pooled Development Funds Registration Board—Report for 2005-06.

Private Health Insurance Administration Council—Report on the operations of the registered health benefits organisations for 2005-06.

Productivity Commission—Report No. 38—Waste management, 20 October 2006.

PSS Board—Public Sector Superannuation Scheme and Public Sector Superannuation Accumulation Plan—Report for 2005-06.

Torres Strait Protected Zone Joint Authority—Reports for—
2003-04.

2004-05.

Torres Strait Regional Authority—Report for 2005-06.

Tourism Australia—Report for 2005-06.

War Crimes Act—Report for 2005-06.

TRISH DRAPER MP

Chair

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

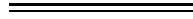
17 ADJOURNMENT

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

The House continuing to sit until 5 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until 12.30 p.m. on Monday, 26 February 2007, in accordance with the resolution agreed to this sitting.



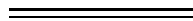
DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 15 February 2007:

Defence Act—Determinations under section 58B—2007 Nos 2, 4, 5.

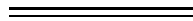
Parliamentary Entitlements Act—Advice under paragraph 18(a)—12 February 2007.

Sydney Airport Curfew Act—Dispensation—2007 No. 1.



ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Fran Bailey, Mr Baldwin, Mr Beazley, Mr Bevis, Mr Cobb, Ms George, Mr Howard, Mr Macfarlane and Mr Tollner.



I. C. HARRIS
Clerk of the House of Representatives

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 153

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2007

1 The Main Committee met at 9.30 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

3 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 3) 2006-2007

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 Tanner, 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 is of the view that:

- (1) despite record high commodity prices the Government has failed to secure Australia's long term economic fundamentals and that it should be condemned for its failure to:
 - (a) stem the widening current account deficit and trade deficit;
 - (b) reverse the reduction in education and training investment;
 - (c) acknowledge the connection between climate change and human activity and tackle the serious threat climate change poses to Australia's long-term well-being;
 - (d) address critical structural weaknesses in health such as workforce shortages and rising costs;
 - (e) expand and encourage research and development to move Australian industry and exports up the value-chain; and
 - (f) address falling levels of workplace productivity;
- (2) the Government's extreme industrial relations laws will lower wages and conditions for many workers and do nothing to enhance productivity or economic growth; and
- (3) the Government's Budget documents fail the test of transparency and accountability”—

Debate resumed.

Document

Ms Hall, by leave, presented the following document:

Housing repossessions in New South Wales—New South Wales Supreme Court—Copy of graph.

Debate continued.

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

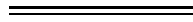
4 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Barresi moved—That the Main Committee do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

At 1 p.m., the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee until 4 p.m. on Monday, 26 February 2007.



B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the Main Committee