

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SELECTION COMMITTEE

REPORT No. 29

Private Members' business

24 June 2015

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

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Report relating to the consideration of private Members' business

1. The committee met in private session on Tuesday, 23 June 2015.
2. The committee determined the order of precedence and times to be allotted for consideration of private Members' business on Monday, 10 August 2015, as follows:

Items for House of Representatives Chamber (10.10 am to 12 noon)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

1 MS RYAN: To move—That this House:

- (1) places on the record that the:
 - (a) recently completed 2015 ANZ Championship has taken on new importance on the Australian sporting calendar;
 - (b) ANZ Championship cross Tasman competition has been significant in increasing the profile of the sport through live television coverage and internet streaming; and
 - (c) Netball World Cup is happening in Sydney throughout August, involving 16 international teams in 64 matches over 10 days at Sydney Olympic Park; and
- (2) congratulates:
 - (a) the Australian Diamond players, coaching and medical staff on their preparation and performance in this tournament;
 - (b) the Trans Tasman Netball League for the innovations they have delivered to netball;
 - (c) the International Netball Federation; and
 - (d) Netball Australia for its impact in boosting the profile of women in sport, providing its members with valuable leadership skills and supporting world class athletes.

(Notice given 16 June 2015.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Ryan— 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Orders of the day

1 MR VAN MANEN: Resumption of debate (*from 15 June 2015*) on the motion of Mr van Manen — That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) 96 per cent of all of Australian businesses are small businesses, employing more than 4.5 million people and producing more than \$330 billion of the nation's economic output;
 - (b) in 2013-14 Australians started more than 280,000 small businesses;
 - (c) the Coalition Government has developed and started to deliver as part of the budget, the largest small business package in the nation's history—the Jobs and Small Business Package—worth \$5.5 billion; and
 - (d) as part of the Jobs and Small Business Package, all small businesses will get an immediate tax deduction for each asset they buy costing less than \$20,000; and
- (2) acknowledges the work of the Prime Minister, the Treasurer and the Minister for Small Business in putting together a package that will deliver for small businesses now and into the future.

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

All Members — 5 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Notices – continued

2 MR HAYES: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) chronic gastroenterological disorders affect the lives of hundreds of thousands of Australians;
 - (b) inflammatory bowel diseases affect 61,000 people, including 28,000 suffering from Crohn's disease and 33,000 with ulcerative colitis;
 - (c) inflammatory bowel disease often develops between the ages of 15 and 30, but it can start at any age; increasingly it is being seen in children;
 - (d) it is estimated that 120,000 Australians have the functional gut motility disorder gastroparesis; and
 - (e) gastroenterological disorders require urgent attention; and
- (2) calls on the Government to:
 - (a) address funding to patient support, medical research and treatment in gastroenterological disorder; and
 - (b) consider the call by the University of Western Sydney to establish an Australian Translational Gastroenterology Centre to:
 - (i) facilitate community awareness of gastroenterological disorders across Australia through community workshops, seminars and symposiums;

- (ii) promote support for gastrointestinal disorders at hospitals and primary health networks across Australia;
- (iii) develop a gut tissue bank for research;
- (iv) initiate and maintain a patient registry of gastrointestinal disorders; and
- (v) support local strategies to enhance treatment of gastrointestinal disorders in rural and remote areas and in Indigenous populations.

(Notice given 15 June 2015.)

Time allotted — 20 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Hayes — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

3 MR NIKOLIC: To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises:
 - (a) the release of the Teacher Education Ministerial Advisory Group (Advisory Group) report, ‘Action Now: Classroom Ready Teachers’ on 13 February 2015;
 - (b) that the Advisory Group, comprised of eight educational experts, was established in 2014 to provide the best possible informed advice and guidance on how teacher education could be improved to better prepare new teachers for the classroom;
 - (c) that the credentials, expertise and contribution of the Advisory Group was of world-class quality;
 - (d) that the Advisory Group conducted its review with consistent impartiality, dedication and objectivity, to the benefit of all Australians;
 - (e) the critical contribution made by this report to optimising teacher development for all Australian schools of the 21st century; and
 - (f) the truly comprehensive and wide ranging nature of the Advisory Group’s investigation and subsequent report;
- (2) acknowledges that:
 - (a) this report is both far ranging and innovative and includes a total of 38 key recommendations;
 - (b) the recommendations have at their core a central unifying element and thread—the educational interests of children, first, foremost and always;
 - (c) current and new teachers should also welcome this report, which will further enable and support both individual teachers and school communities as a whole, in both the foreseeable future, and over the longer term;
 - (d) overall, this report will affect constructively the lives of a majority of Australians, including most particularly teachers, parents and students;

- (e) the impact of this report will be impartial in nature, being blind to both the demographic and economic circumstances of teachers, parents and students, alike;
 - (f) this report:
 - (i) is underpinned by both balance and merit, for example, it readily acknowledges the existence of both current high performing teacher performance and contribution, as well as identifying the need and scope for other performance to be significantly improved, together with a range of mechanisms and strategies to achieve this key objective; and
 - (ii) will act to further affirm the significance and centrality of school education within Australian society;
 - (g) by improving overall teacher performance, this report will likely support the retention of more students at school for longer, including most desirably, the completion of Year 12 by as many students as possible; and
 - (h) this report:
 - (i) will exert a long term and positive impact on current and future Australian workplaces and work performance; and
 - (ii) signals the intended ongoing future emphasis which the Government will continue to give to education and education related matters, for the benefit of all Australians, in an increasingly competitive region and world; and
- (3) calls on the Parliament to endorse the Government's strong response to implementing this report as both a key milestone and critical policy initiative in shaping Australian school education and performance (for both teachers and students) for the early 21st century.

(Notice given 23 June 2015.)

Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 12 noon.

Speech time limits —

Mr Nikolic — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking = 6 x 5 mins]

The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.

Items for Federation Chamber (11 am to 1.30 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

1 MR PITT: To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges that the Australian Defence Force Parliamentary Program (ADFPP) has enjoyed bipartisan support since its formation in 2001;
- (2) recognises the importance of providing an opportunity for Parliamentarians to experience life working alongside Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel;
- (3) notes that the ADFPP provides ADF personnel with direct access to Members of Parliament in their own workplace or as a part of the exchange program to Parliament House; and
- (4) expresses gratitude to ADF personnel who make ADFPP a great success.

(Notice given 26 May 2015.)

Time allotted — 20 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Pitt — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

2 MR CHAMPION: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes:
 - (a) the recent media reports and the Fair Work Ombudsman (Ombudsman) finding about the abuse of employees, including Working Holiday visa holders (subclass 417) and Temporary Work (Skilled) visa holders (subclass 457) by Baiada Poultry Pty Limited (Baiada);
 - (b) complaints against Baiada included that employees were being underpaid, forced to work extremely long hours and required to pay high rents for overcrowded and unsafe employee accommodation;
 - (c) Baiada and its Jabour-hire contractors failed to work with the Ombudsman during the inquiry into its employment practices, including:
 - (i) refusing permission for Fair Work Inspectors working on this inquiry to access the factory floor at its worksites;
 - (ii) failing to provide the inquiry with any 'significant or meaningful' documentation on the nature and terms of its labour contract arrangements; and
 - (iii) producing inadequate, inaccurate and/or fabricated records to inspectors;
 - (d) the findings of the Ombudsman are damning of the governance and employment practices of Baiada; and

- (e) that these reports and the employment practices of Baiada have caused significant community concern which must be addressed; and
- (2) calls on the management of Baiada to immediately address the findings of the Ombudsman and bring its employment practices up to community expectations.
- (Notice given 22 June 2015.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Champion — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

3 MRS PRENTICE: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that the Pacific Women’s Parliamentary Partnerships Forum (Forum) is funded by the Australian Government and is designed to support women in the region in politics and to assist Pacific parliaments in addressing gender equality issues;
- (2) recognises that the Pacific region has the lowest regional average of women parliamentarians in the world, currently 13.1 per cent female representation in single or lower houses across the region, including Australia and New Zealand;
- (3) recognises that the third annual Forum was held from 29 April to 1 May in Suva, Fiji, with the focus on addressing family violence in the Pacific region; and
- (4) notes that reducing family violence will require a coordinated approach, and that the Forum agreed on a list of priorities for Pacific parliaments to pursue that will raise awareness and encourage action to address the issue.

(Notice given 28 May 2015.)

Time allotted — 20 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mrs Prentice — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

4 MR ZAPPIA: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
- (a) the Government spends around \$40 billion each year on procuring goods and services;
- (b) the Commonwealth Procurement Rules provide considerable flexibility to Government departments when making procurement decisions;
- (c) considerable economic, social and environmental benefits arise from the Government buying Australian products and services; and
- (d) domestic Government procurement encourages innovation and investment;

- (2) expresses concern at the level of goods and services that are being sourced from overseas by the Government; and
- (3) calls on the Government to apply a comprehensive value for money test which includes all national benefits which accrue when goods and services are procured locally.

(Notice given 23 June 2015.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Zappia — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

5 DR STONE: To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises the courage and sacrifice of the young Australian men who actively served in Bomber Command in World War II;
- (2) requests the creation of a medal for Royal Australian Air Force men who served in action in Australian and British squadrons in Bomber Command in World War II;
- (3) notes that:
 - (a) over 10,000 Australians served in Bomber Command, in which over 4,000 of these airmen lost their lives;
 - (b) Bomber Command had the highest casualty rate in Australia's military history;
 - (c) a Bomber Command crew member had a worse chance of survival than an infantry officer in World War I; and
 - (d) there are fewer than 100 Australians remaining who flew in Bomber Command; and
- (4) calls on the Government to, as a matter of urgency, create a medal to recognise and honour Australian airmen who served in Bomber Command in World War II.

(Notice given 4 June 2015.)

Time allotted —20 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Dr Stone — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Orders of the day

1 MARRIAGE AMENDMENT (MARRIAGE EQUALITY) BILL 2015 (Mr Shorten): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 22 June 2015*).

Time allotted — 10 minutes.

Speech time limits —

All Members — 5 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Notices – continued

6 MRS GRIGGS: To move—That this House:

(1) notes that:

- (a) the Boeing E-7A Wedgetail, an airborne early control and warning aircraft, has reached its final operational capability; and
- (b) this aircraft is a significant enhancement for our Australian Defence Force (ADF) and has been a vital asset on Operation Okra in the Middle East region; and

(2) acknowledges the excellent work done by ADF personnel in carrying out their roles of protecting Australia and its national interests.

(*Notice given 16 June 2015.*)

*Time allotted — remaining private Members’
business time prior to 1.30 pm.*

Speech time limits —

Mrs Griggs — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

THE HON BRONWYN BISHOP MP
Speaker of the House of Representatives

24 June 2015