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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOTICE PAPER

No. 74

WEDNESDAY, 13 OCTOBER 1999

The House meets this day at 9.30 a.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS
Orders of the day

- 1 **DIESEL AND ALTERNATIVE FUELS GRANTS SCHEME (ADMINISTRATION AND COMPLIANCE) BILL 1999** (*Minister for Financial Services and Regulation*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 October 1999—Mr Truss*) on the motion of Mr Hockey—That the Bill be now read a second time—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Crean, 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 condemns the Government for:*
- (1) continuing the uncertainty in the transport industry by not releasing the details of the boundaries of urban conurbations for the purposes of the Diesel and Alternative Fuels Grants Scheme (the Scheme);
 - (2) not disclosing, prior to the last election, the new powers being proposed for the Commissioner of Taxation to stop, detain and search vehicles;
 - (3) imposing a complex new layer of administration on transport operators in connection with the Scheme, in addition to the new compliance burden associated with the Goods and Services Tax; and
 - (4) its failure to disclose the basis of its claims that the programs agreed with the Democrats will counter the greenhouse gas increasing effects of the Scheme.”
- 2 **HUMAN RIGHTS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1999** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 October 1999—Mr Andren, in continuation*).

Notices

- *1 **MR WILLIAMS:** To present a Bill for an Act relating to the effect of international instruments on the making of administrative decisions.

* *Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time*

† *Debate to be adjourned to a future day at the conclusion of the time allotted.*

- *2 **MR TUCKEY:** To move—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent a Minister moving amendments to the Regional Forest Agreements Bill 1998 during the consideration of Senate's message No. 192.

Orders of the day—continued

- 3 **REGIONAL FOREST AGREEMENTS BILL 1998:** Consideration of Senate's message No. 192 (from 20 September 1999).
- 4 **HEALTH INSURANCE AMENDMENT (DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING SERVICES) BILL 1999** (Minister for Health and Aged Care): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 30 June 1999—Ms Macklin).
- 5 **INTERNATIONAL TAX AGREEMENTS AMENDMENT BILL 1999** (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 23 September 1999—Mr Melham).
- 6 **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR WOMEN IN THE WORKPLACE AMENDMENT BILL 1999** (Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 22 September 1999—Mr Horne).
- 7 **COMPENSATION FOR NON-ECONOMIC LOSS (SOCIAL SECURITY AND VETERANS' ENTITLEMENTS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT) BILL 1999** (Minister representing the Minister for Family and Community Services): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 25 March 1999—Ms Macklin).
- 8 **FEDERAL MAGISTRATES BILL 1999** (Attorney-General): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 24 June 1999—Ms Macklin).
- 9 **FEDERAL MAGISTRATES (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1999** (Attorney-General): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 24 June 1999—Ms Macklin).
- 10 **BORDER PROTECTION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1999** (Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 22 September 1999—Mr Horne).
- 11 **BROADCASTING SERVICES AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 1999** (Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 28 June 1999—Mr Smith).
- 12 **TRADEX SCHEME BILL 1999** (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Science and Resources): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 24 June 1999—Ms Macklin).
- 13 **TRADEX DUTY IMPOSITION BILL 1999** (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Science and Resources): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 24 June 1999—Ms Macklin).
- 14 **CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (TRADEX) BILL 1999** (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Science and Resources): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 24 June 1999—Ms Macklin).
- 15 **NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY LEVIES REGULATIONS (VALIDATION AND COMMENCEMENT OF AMENDMENTS) BILL 1999** (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 22 September 1999—Mr Horne).

- 16 **FAMILY LAW AMENDMENT BILL 1999** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 22 September 1999—Mr Horne*).
- 17 **CHOICE OF SUPERANNUATION FUNDS (CONSUMER PROTECTION) BILL 1999** (*Minister for Financial Services and Regulation*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 23 September 1999—Mr Melham*).
- 18 **AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1999** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 30 September 1999—Mr Swan*).
- 19 **CRIMES AT SEA BILL 1999** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 30 September 1999—Mr Swan*).
- 20 **A NEW TAX SYSTEM (INDIRECT TAX AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1999** (*Minister for Financial Services and Regulation*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 30 September 1999—Mr Swan*).
- 21 **COPYRIGHT AMENDMENT (DIGITAL AGENDA) BILL 1999** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 September 1999—Mr M. J. Evans*).
- 22 **AUSTRALIAN WOOL RESEARCH AND PROMOTION ORGANISATION AMENDMENT BILL 1998** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 November 1998—Ms Macklin*).
- 23 **PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE BILL 1999** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 10 June 1999*).
- 24 **WAR CRIMES AMENDMENT BILL 1999** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 23 September 1999*).
- *25 **APPROPRIATION (SUPPLEMENTARY MEASURES) BILL (NO. 1) 1999**: Consideration of Senate's message No. 212 (*from 12 October 1999*).
- *26 **APPROPRIATION (SUPPLEMENTARY MEASURES) BILL (NO. 2) 1999**: Consideration of Senate's message No. 213 (*from 12 October 1999*).
- 27 **CENSURE OF MINISTER FOR FORESTRY AND CONSERVATION**: Consideration of Senate's message No. 183 (*from 24 August 1999*).
- 28 **GEELONG ROAD**: Consideration of Senate's message No. 171 (*from 12 August 1999*).
- 29 **CENTRELINK—LEVEL OF SERVICE**: Consideration of Senate's message No. 45 (*from 10 March 1999*).
- 30 **CENTRELINK**: Consideration of Senate's message No. 2 (*from 12 November 1998*).
- *31 **NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AUSTRALIA—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 12 October 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 32 **MEDIBANK PRIVATE—STATEMENT OF CORPORATE INTENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 30 September 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.

- 33 **EAST TIMOR—UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL—RESOLUTION, 15 SEPTEMBER 1999—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 September 1999—Mr Sciacca*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 34 **AUSTRALIAN RADIATION PROTECTION AND NUCLEAR SAFETY AGENCY—2ND QUARTERLY REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 September 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 35 **FINAL BUDGET OUTCOME 1998-99—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 September 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 36 **REPORT ON VISIT TO SOUTH AMERICA AND MEETING OF CAIRNS GROUP AND APEC AND AUSTRALIA'S APEC INDIVIDUAL ACTION PLAN 1999—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 September 1999*) on the motion of Jackie Kelly—That the House take note of the papers.
- 37 **AIRSERVICES AUSTRALIA—CORPORATE PLAN—JULY 1998-JUNE 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 22 September 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 38 **AGED CARE STANDARDS AND ACCREDITATION AGENCY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 22 September 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 39 **NATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL—1999 GRANTS BOOK—CORRIGENDA—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 22 September 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 40 **COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE USE OF THE TERM 'DRUG FREE'—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 September 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 41 **HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 25 August 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 42 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE—SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE FLIGHTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 43 **BUDGET PAPER NO. 1 1999-2000—CORRIGENDUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 44 **BUDGET PAPER NO. 2 1999-2000—CORRIGENDUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.

- 45 **SECOND SYDNEY AIRPORT PROPOSAL—SUPPLEMENT TO DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 46 **AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION—REPORT ON JUNIOR RATES OF PAY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 June 1999—Mr Bevis*) on the motion of Ms Worth—That the House take note of the papers.
- 47 **LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON ASPECTS OF FAMILY SERVICES—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Vaile—That the House take note of the paper.
- 48 **AUSTRALIAN RADIATION PROTECTION AND NUCLEAR SAFETY AGENCY—FIRST QUARTERLY REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 22 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 49 **NUCLEAR SAFETY BUREAU—44TH AND 45TH QUARTERLY REPORTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 22 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the papers.
- 50 **BANKING, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON REVIEW OF 1993-94 ANNUAL REPORTS OF RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA AND INSURANCE AND SUPERANNUATION COMMISSION—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 22 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 51 **FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON REVIEW OF 1995-96 ANNUAL REPORTS OF RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA, AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES COMMISSION AND INSURANCE AND SUPERANNUATION COMMISSION—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 22 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 52 **ADVANCE TO THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE, MARCH 1999—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 22 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the papers.
- 53 **AUSTRALIAN LAW REFORM COMMISSION—REPORT ON REVIEW OF THE PROCEEDS OF CRIME ACT 1987—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 22 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 54 **BOUGAINVILLE PEACE PROCESS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 June 1999—Mr Brereton*) on the motion of Mr Downer—That the House take note of the paper.

- 55 **PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION—REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL AIR SERVICES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 June 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 56 **ADVANCE TO THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE, MARCH 1999—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 May 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the papers.
- 57 **SYDNEY HAILSTORM OF 14 APRIL 1999—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 May 1999—Mr Fitzgibbon*) on the motion of Jackie Kelly—That the House take note of the papers.
- 58 **ADVANCE TO THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE, FEBRUARY 1999—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 May 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the papers.
- 59 **PARLIAMENTARIANS' TRAVEL PAID BY DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION: JANUARY TO JUNE 1998—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 31 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the papers.
- 60 **CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1998—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 31 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 61 **ELSEY LAND CLAIM NO. 132—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 31 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 62 **ADVISORY PANEL ON THE MARKETING IN AUSTRALIA OF INFANT FORMULA—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 63 **FOREIGN INVESTMENT REVIEW BOARD—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 64 **VISIT TO SANDAKAN—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 March 1999—Mr Martin*) on the motion of Mr Scott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 65 **DIGITAL BROADCASTING INDUSTRY—ACTION AGENDA—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 66 **SAFETY OF FIRE DOORS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 March 1999—Mr Tanner*) on the motion of Mr Hockey—That the House take note of the paper.
- 67 **AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS COMMISSION—REPORT ON INVESTIGATION INTO BURNS PHILP AND COMPANY LIMITED—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 March*

1999—*Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.

- 68 **AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS COMMISSION—REPORT ON SPECIAL INVESTIGATION INTO SPEDLEY SECURITIES LIMITED—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 69 **TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT PLANS—PROGRESS REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 70 **ADVANCE TO THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE, DECEMBER 1998 AND JANUARY 1999—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the papers.
- 71 **AUSTRALIA AND THE IMF—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 72 **AUSTRALIA AND THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 73 **AUSTRALIA AND THE WORLD BANK—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 74 **FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION AND CONSUMER COMMISSION'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1996-97—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 75 **CIVIL AVIATION SAFETY AUTHORITY—REGULATION OF AQUATIC AIR PTY LTD—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 February 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the papers.
- 76 **BUREAU OF AIR SAFETY INVESTIGATION—CESSNA 185E FLOATPLANE, VH-HTS, CALABASH BAY, NSW—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 February 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 77 **AUSTRALIAN HEARING—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 February 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 78 **HEALTH INSURANCE COMMISSION—EQUITY AND DIVERSITY PROGRAM—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 February 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.

- 79 **ADVANCE TO THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE, NOVEMBER 1998—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 February 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the papers.
- 80 **MID-YEAR ECONOMIC AND FISCAL OUTLOOK 1998-99—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 February 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 81 **DATA-MATCHING PROGRAM—ATO'S INTERACTION WITH IN 1995-96, 1996-97 AND 1997-98—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 February 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 82 **GUIDE ON KEY ELEMENTS OF MINISTERIAL RESPONSIBILITY—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 February 1999—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 83 **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 84 **NATIONAL CRIME AUTHORITY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the papers.
- 85 **NUCLEAR SAFETY BUREAU—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 86 **POOLED DEVELOPMENT FUNDS REGISTRATION BOARD—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 87 **COMPANIES AND SECURITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 88 **CORPORATIONS AND SECURITIES PANEL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 89 **AUSTRALIAN ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 90 **AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION AND CONSUMER COMMISSION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.

- 91 **WITNESS PROTECTION ACT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 92 **CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 93 **INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE—CONVENTIONS CONCERNING HOME WORK—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the papers.
- 94 **OPERATION OF THE BANKRUPTCY ACT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 95 **AUSTRALIAN NUCLEAR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ORGANISATION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 96 **DEVELOPMENT ALLOWANCE AUTHORITY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 97 **AUSTRALIA'S DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION PROGRAM—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 1998—Mr Martin*) on the motion of Mr Downer—That the House take note of the paper.
- 98 **COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 December 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 99 **MEDICAL TRAINING REVIEW PANEL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 100 **PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE OMBUDSMAN—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 101 **COMMISSIONER OF TAXATION—CORRIGENDA—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 102 **NATIONAL RAIL CORPORATION LTD—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 25 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.

- 103 **NUCLEAR SAFETY BUREAU—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 104 **CONTROLLED OPERATIONS—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 105 **OPERATIONS OF THE REGISTERED HEALTH BENEFIT ORGANISATIONS—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 106 **PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 107 **AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 108 **ROYAL AUSTRALIAN MINT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 109 **MEDIBANK PRIVATE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 110 **MEDIBANK PRIVATE—STATEMENT OF CORPORATE INTENT—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 111 **HEALTH INSURANCE COMMISSION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 112 **AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES AND INVESTMENT COMMISSION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 113 **LAND AND WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 114 **ADVANCE TO THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE, JULY 1998—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the papers.
- 115 **FINAL BUDGET OUTCOME 1997-98—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.

- 116 **COMMONWEALTH GRANTS COMMISSION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 117 **WOOL INTERNATIONAL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 118 **DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND ENERGY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 119 **AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL AUDIT OFFICE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 120 **COMMISSIONER FOR SUPERANNUATION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 121 **PUBLIC SECTOR SUPERANNUATION SCHEME—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 122 **COMMONWEALTH SUPERANNUATION SCHEME—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 123 **MILITARY SUPERANNUATION AND BENEFITS BOARD—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 124 **DEFENCE FORCE RETIREMENT AND DEATH BENEFITS AUTHORITY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 125 **COMMISSIONER OF TAXATION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 126 **DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TOURISM—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 127 **OFFICE OF ASSET SALES AND IT OUTSOURCING—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.

- 128 **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 129 **CENTRELINK—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 130 **OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 131 **ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 132 **MARITIME INDUSTRY FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 133 **COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND INFORMATION PROGRAM ON TAXATION REFORM—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 134 **JOINT COAL BOARD—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 135 **ADVANCE TO THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE, JUNE 1998—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 136 **PROVISION FOR RUNNING COSTS BORROWINGS, JUNE 1998—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 137 **NATIONAL COMPETITION COUNCIL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 1998—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.
- 138 **TARIFF PROPOSALS** (*Mr Williams*):
Customs Tariff Proposal No. 4 (1999)—*moved 2 September 1999*—Resumption of debate (*Mr M. J. Evans*).
Customs Tariff Proposal No. 5 (1999)—*moved 22 September 1999*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Horne*).
- 139 **TARIFF PROPOSAL** (*Mr Entsch*):
Customs Tariff Proposal No. 3 (1999)—*moved 25 August 1999*—Resumption of debate (*Mr McClelland*).

140 **TARIFF PROPOSALS** (*Mr Slipper*):

Customs Tariff Proposals Nos. 6 to 10 (1998)—*moved 24 November 1998*—Resumption of debate (*Mr K. J. Thomson*).

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 1 (1999)—*moved 30 March 1999*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Martin*).

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 2 (1999)—*moved 11 May 1999*—Resumption of debate (*Mr McMullan*).

Excise Tariff Proposal No. 1 (1999)—*moved 11 May 1999*—Resumption of debate (*Mr McMullan*).

141 **PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS BROADCASTING AMENDMENT BILL 1998**: Second reading (*from 10 November 1998*).**Contingent notices of motion**

Contingent on any bill being brought in and read a first time: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the second reading being made an order of the day for a later hour.

Contingent on any report relating to a bill being received from the Main Committee: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Contingent on any bill being agreed to at the conclusion of the consideration in detail stage: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the motion for the third reading being moved without delay.

Contingent on any message being received from the Senate transmitting any bill for concurrence: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

**BUSINESS ACCORDED PRIORITY FOR MONDAY,
18 OCTOBER 1999, PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 331**

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS**Presentation and statements**

- *1 **AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO THE THIRD ROUND AUSTRALIA-CHINA BILATERAL HUMAN RIGHTS DIALOGUE**: Report. (*Total time for statements—5 minutes.*)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**Notices**

- 1 **MR BEAZLEY**: To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Defence (Re-establishment) Act 1965* in relation to protection of the civil employment of members of the Reserve Forces. (*Notice given 30 September 1999. Time allowed—5 minutes*)

†2 **MRS ELSON:** To move—That the House:

- (1) recognises the widespread community support for the Government's "Work for the dole" program;
- (2) acknowledges the vital role played by the hundreds of community groups and local organisations throughout the nation that conduct local work for the dole projects;
- (3) recognises the social value and community contribution of the work carried out by participants; and
- (4) welcomes the Government's commitment to expanding Work for the dole, as outlined in the 1999-2000 Budget initiative to double the number of Work for the dole places to 50 000 next year—providing hope, experience and opportunity for more young Australian jobseekers. (*Notice given 20 September 1999. Time allowed—30 minutes.*)

†3 **MR MOSSFIELD:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises that there needs to be a greater recognition by all adults of the needs of younger people;
- (2) recognises that there needs to be a nation-wide recognition that young people can gather together without being regarded as potential law-breakers;
- (3) recognises that security personnel need to be far better trained to deal with young people in shopping centres and other public places and that such training enable the security personnel to better determine the correct method of handling young people in public places and shopping centres;
- (4) recognises that adults need to be more publicly exposed to young people and listen uncritically to the views they express and respect young people for the views they hold even if they are not agreed with;
- (5) recognises that Parliament supports the provision of an increase in technical high schools where young people can expand their practical talents where they are not necessarily academically inclined;
- (6) recognises that Parliament recognises the need for increasing dramatically the number of careers advisers available to young people for assistance prior to their leaving school and seeking full time employment; and
- (7) conduct a Parliamentary inquiry into the foregoing in order that proper national policies can be recommended to Government that will assist the advancement of young people of the future. (*Notice given 27 September 1999. Time allowed—remaining private Members' business time prior to 1.45 p.m.*)

†4 **MRS ELSON:** To move—That the House:

- (1) notes the recent report of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunities Commission, "Pregnant and Productive: It's a Right not a Privilege to Work while Pregnant";
- (2) recognises that a significant level of discrimination against pregnant women still exists in many workplaces;
- (3) acknowledges the vital importance of families in Australian society; and
- (4) calls on all employers in Australia to be aware of, and sensitive to, their responsibility to their female employees to ensure they do not suffer

discrimination on the grounds of pregnancy. (*Notice given 30 September 1999. Time allowed—30 minutes.*)

†5 **MR HOLLIS:** To move—That the House:

- (1) expresses its sympathy at the loss of life of three Australian AusAID workers in the recent air crash in Fiji;
- (2) commends AusAID for the work it is performing throughout the South Pacific, especially relating to population and development issues; and
- (3) calls on the Australian Government to at least maintain current funding, but also consider increased aid for development work in the South Pacific. (*Notice given 26 August 1999. Time allowed—remaining private Members' business time.*)

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS—*continued*

Orders of the day

- 1 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON FIVE TREATIES TABLED ON 16 FEBRUARY 1999—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 June 1999—Mr A. P. Thomson, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr A. P. Thomson—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 18 October 1999.*)
- 2 **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT ON REVIEW OF AUDITOR-GENERAL'S AUDIT REPORT NO. 34, 1997-98: NEW SUBMARINE PROJECT, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 June 1999—Mr Charles, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Charles—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 18 October 1999.*)
- 3 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON MILITARY JUSTICE PROCEDURES IN THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 June 1999—Dr Theophanous, in continuation*) on the motion of Dr Theophanous—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 18 October 1999.*)
- 4 **ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON REVIEW OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1997-98—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 June 1999—Mr Causley, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Causley—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 18 October 1999.*)
- 5 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON FIVE TREATIES TABLED ON 11 MAY 1999—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption

of debate (*from 21 June 1999—Mr A. P. Thomson, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr A. P. Thomson—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 18 October 1999.*)

- 6 **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT ON AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 June 1999—Mr Charles, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Charles—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 7 **ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REVIEW OF RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA ANNUAL REPORT 1997-98—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 August 1999—Mr Hawker, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Hawker—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 8 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON AMENDMENTS PROPOSED TO THE INTERNATIONAL WHALING CONVENTION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 August 1999—Mr A. P. Thomson, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr A. P. Thomson—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999*)
- 9 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON SEMINAR ON ROLE OF PARLIAMENTS IN TREATY MAKING—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 August 1999—Mr A. P. Thomson, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr A. P. Thomson—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999*)
- 10 **NATIVE TITLE AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND FUND—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT ON ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 1997-98—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 September 1999—Mr Snowdon, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Snowdon—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 11 **MIGRATION—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON IMMIGRATION ENTRY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES:** (*from 27 September 1999—Mrs Gallus, in continuation*) on the motion of Mrs Gallus—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 12 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON A VISIT TO THE NORTHERN DEFENCE BASES:** (*from 27 September 1999—Mr Hawker, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Hawker—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be*

removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.)

- 13 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON BOUGAINVILLE PEACE PROCESS:** *(from 27 September 1999—Mr Jull, in continuation)* on the motion of Mr Jull—That the House take note of the report. *(Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.)*
- 14 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 25—TREATIES TABLED ON 11 AUGUST 1999:** *(from 27 September 1999—Mr A. P. Thomson, in continuation)* on the motion of Mr A. P. Thomson—That the House take note of the report. *(Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.)*

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS—continued

Notices given for Wednesday, 13 October 1999

- *1 **MR C. P. THOMPSON:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes the reported discovery of Cook's ship *Endeavour* off Newport, Rhode Island;
 - (2) acknowledges that if it is indeed the *Endeavour*, this wreck is the most important single artefact in Australia's history;
 - (3) notes that the United States and British Governments are preparing for a legal battle over rights to the wreck;
 - (4) calls on the Government as a matter of urgency to immediately notify the world community of the importance of the wreck to Australia and stake our claim to its ownership by virtue of its significance to our nation;
 - (5) calls on the Government to support a fundraising campaign to enable the recovery and eventual return of the wreck to Botany Bay; and
 - (6) ensures that plans for this important venture are in place and that the public fundraising and community awareness campaign is made a centrepiece of Australia's Centenary of Federation celebrations in 2001. *(Notice given 12 October 1999.)*
- *2 **MR BAIRD:** To move—That the House:
- (1) commends the Government for its efforts in promoting domestic and international tourism which has resulted in a 10% increase in international visitors during the last 12 month;
 - (2) notes the significance to the economy of the number of jobs created by tourism; and
 - (3) notes the foreign exchange earnings resulting from international visitor travel to Australia. *(Notice given 12 October 1999.)*
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Notices—continued

- 1 **MR BEAZLEY:** To move—That this House notes:
 - (1) that the national taxation debate is no longer about ‘tax reform’ but merely about ‘tax change’—and not change for the better;
 - (2) the Coalition-Democrat tax deal will, in the official estimate of the Treasurer, cost at the very least \$20 billion over the first three years of the next century—in terms of the erosion of the Commonwealth budget surplus caused by the ANTS package, as modified by the Australian Democrats;
 - (3) the GST fiasco on food alone will create enormous compliance burdens for 370 000 small businesses, in the estimate of the Tax Commissioner, and will, in the words of the Premier of Victoria, be ‘just diabolical’ for businesses such as milkbars and small family-run supermarkets; and
 - (4) as a result of the GST food fiasco, the States will be required to keep indefinitely a range of state taxes and duties amounting to \$2.5 billion which the Government promised prior to the last election would be abolished.
(Notice given 3 June 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on 18 October 1999.)
- 2 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To move—That this House, noting the disproportionate compliance cost impact the Coalition-Democrat GST deal will have on small retailers:
 - (1) considers amending the terms of reference of the Joint Select Committee on the Retailing Sector to allow the committee to take into account the way in which the GST deal puts smaller retailers at a further disadvantage vis-à-vis larger retailers; and
 - (2) resolves that:
 - (a) part (a) of the committee’s terms of reference should read “the degree of industry concentration within the retailing sector in Australia, with particular reference to the impact of that industry concentration on the ability of small independent retailers to compete fairly in the retail sector both at present and in a post-GST environment”;
 - (b) submissions be invited from parties interested in commenting on the issues raised by the expanded terms of reference; and
 - (c) the committee’s reporting date be extended to 31 October 1999.
(Notice given 8 June 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on 18 October 1999.)
- 3 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To move—That this House:
 - (1) acknowledges the success of post war immigration policy but in doing so recognises the importance of maintaining integrity in the immigration system due to the massive contribution new settlers have made to Australia in the past and will continue to make in the future;
 - (2) applauds the endeavours of successive governments to maintain the integrity of the immigration system by stopping illegal migrants and seeking to prevent employers employing illegal workers by requiring an employer to request proof of work rights from prospective employees;

- (3) views with the utmost concern the activities of people smugglers, who take money from people trying to enter Australia illegally, knowing that the people will be detained and sent back with nothing to show for their money;
 - (4) supports the need to return people who have no legal rights to be in Australia whilst continuing to honour the nation's international protection of refugee obligations;
 - (5) welcomes the bipartisan manner in which the Parliament facilitated the temporary safe haven given in Australia to Kosovars; and
 - (6) rejects any suggestion that there will be an amnesty for illegals coming to Australia and reaffirms the commitment of the Australian Parliament to prosecute to the fullest those in any way engaged in people smuggling. *(Notice given 9 June 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on 18 October 1999.)*
- 4 **MR MOSSFIELD:** To move—That this House:
- (1) acknowledges the importance of the construction of the Western Sydney Orbital Road System to the economic and social development of Western Sydney;
 - (2) acknowledges the importance of road transport access that diminishes interference with road users in local communities;
 - (3) recognises that in heavily developed regions such as Western Sydney, the speedy access by road transport to local business developments is vital in assisting productivity and business growth;
 - (4) notes the policy commitment of successive governments to build the Western Sydney Orbital Road System;
 - (5) acknowledges that only minimum funding has ever been set aside for the building of the Western Sydney Orbital Road System and that conditions of construction have included the building of a second airport at Badgerys Creek; and
 - (6) calls on the federal Government to listen to and act upon the many calls from affected residents, business groups, business development committees, local government spokespersons and other interested parties in Western Sydney and urgently provide sufficient funding to enable the NSW Government to combine in partnership with the Commonwealth to commence immediate construction of the whole Western Sydney Orbital Road System. *(Notice given 10 June 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on the next sitting Monday after 18 October 1999.)*
- 5 **MR BEAZLEY:** To move—That this House, noting with concern that:
- (1) the Oakdale colliery in New South Wales has been shut down reportedly because of the company's insolvency, with the result that 125 employees have lost their jobs;
 - (2) these employees have lost not only their jobs but also many of the termination and other payments to which they were entitled;
 - (3) the Oakdale incident is only one of a number of similar developments over the past three years which have affected more than 3000 employees with termination entitlements totalling more than \$35 million; and

- (4) the review of possible ways to deal with the effect of company insolvency on employee entitlements initiated by the Government more than one year ago is still not completed—

calls on the Government to arrange that the House proceed with the utmost urgency with passage of the Employee Protection (Wage Guarantee) Bill 1999, which is the only effective mechanism on offer at this time to resolve a severe and immediate threat to the livelihood and security of many working Australians and their families. (*Notice given 21 June 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on the next sitting Monday after 18 October 1999.*)

6 MRS CROSIO: To move—That the House:

- (1) notes with concern that the Environmental Impact Study (EIS) of the Badgerys Creek Airport proposal does not contain an examination of the extent to which a very fast train link between Sydney and Canberra—and eventually from Canberra to Melbourne—would reduce domestic air traffic at Sydney's Kingsford-Smith Airport and therefore negate the need to make an immediate decision on building a second international airport in the Sydney basin;
- (2) recognises that building a 24-hour international airport at Badgerys Creek will attract an estimated 77 000 extra daily vehicle movements on western Sydney's already congested roads and the disastrous economic, social and environmental problems that such a traffic explosion would cause;
- (3) notes with concern that the EIS auditor, the Snowy Mountains Engineering Corporation (SMEC), has revealed that a cost-benefit analysis of the Badgerys Creek Airport proposal does not support the construction of an airport at this site;
- (4) acknowledges that building a 24-hour international airport at Badgerys Creek will endanger the Greater Blue Mountains area being declared a World Heritage site; and
- (5) recognises that 10 of the 11 councils that will be affected by the proposed Badgerys Creek airport and both the NSW State Government and Opposition are against the airport's development. (*Notice given 24 June 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)

7 MR PRICE: To move—That the House:

- (1) notes with concern the Government's apparent lack of concern regarding the economic, social and environmental impacts of the proposed development of a 24-hour airport at Badgerys Creek;
- (2) recognises that the residents of Mount Druitt, Rooty Hill, Whalan, Tregear, Emerton, Dharruk, Hebersham, Oxley Park, St Clair, St Marys, Plumpton, Doonside, Minchinbury, Shalvey, Willmot, Bidwell, Blackett, Hassall Grove, Glendenning, Marsden Park, Lethbridge Park, Colyton, Erskine Park, Eastern Creek and Blacktown will be adversely affected by the construction of the airport;
- (3) notes that the State Government, State Opposition and 10 Western Sydney Councils are opposed to the construction of an airport on this site;

- (4) acknowledges that alternative sites for an airport have not been fully investigated;
 - (5) acknowledges that alternative options for a more efficient use of existing Sydney airports have not been fully investigated;
 - (6) acknowledges that the draft Environmental Impact Study (EIS) is fundamentally flawed in regards to its terms of reference and its outcomes;
 - (7) recognises that the full EIS has not been an open and transparent process; and
 - (8) regrets the failure of the Government to release the final EIS. (*Notice given 24 June 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 8 **MRS IRWIN:** To move—That the House:
- (1) notes that during the 1996 election campaign, the Government promised the people of Western Sydney an open, transparent and accountable process in determining the future for the Badgerys Creek airport site;
 - (2) notes with concern that the release of the final Environmental Impact Study (EIS) of the Badgerys Creek airport has been continually delayed by the Government, despite its stated intentions to release it, in clear breach of their election promises;
 - (3) acknowledges that the residents of Ashcroft, Bonnyrigg, Busby, Cabramatta, Cabramatta West, Canley Heights, Canley Vale, Cartwright, Edensor Park, Green Valley, Heckenberg, Hinchinbrook, Lansvale, Liverpool, Miller, Mt Pritchard, Sadleir, St Johns Park, Warwick Farm and Wakely have the right to be fully informed of the impact of the construction of a 24-hour international airport at Badgerys Creek;
 - (4) recognises that 10 Western Sydney councils, the State Government and the State Opposition are opposed to the construction of the Badgerys Creek airport;
 - (5) acknowledges the growing concern by the people of Western Sydney about the potential impact of the airport and their falling confidence levels in the EIS process and the manner in which the Government is handling the development of Sydney's second airport; and
 - (6) recognises that the Government has failed to examine in detail alternative proposals to Badgerys Creek for the second airport's location and alternative proposals for more efficient use of existing airport infrastructure in Sydney. (*Notice given 24 June 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 9 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To move—That the House:
- (1) recognises that building a 24-hour international airport at Badgerys Creek will unfairly shift many of the environmental and social problems currently facing the residents living in the vicinity of Sydney's Kingsford-Smith Airport on to the residents of western Sydney;
 - (2) notes that by the time an international airport built at Badgerys Creek is fully operative, the population in Sydney's greater west that will surround

the development and be affected by its operations will have reached close to 2 million;

- (3) notes the already high levels of air pollution endured by the people of western Sydney and the increasing rates of respiratory illness suffered by the area's population and that a 24-hour international airport at Badgerys Creek would only exacerbate the problem; and
- (4) questions the suggested job growth figures that will eventuate following the development of an airport at Badgerys Creek. (*Notice given 24 June 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)

10 **MR MOSSFELD:** To move—That the House:

- (1) notes the ongoing opposition by local residents to the building of an airport at Badgerys Creek by many Western Sydney MPs including Government and Opposition parties and local government groups;
- (2) notes that opposition to the proposed airport was made a key issue in most Western Sydney electorates by all party candidates during the last federal election;
- (3) recognises that the serious and justifiable concerns expressed by residents of inner Sydney to the noise and pollution effects caused by Kingsford-Smith Airport cannot be solved by simply moving the whole problem out to and onto Western Sydney residents;
- (4) acknowledges that both the NSW Carr Government and the Chikarovski Opposition oppose the building of an airport at Badgerys Creek;
- (5) challenges the claim of massive job creation by any such building of Badgerys Creek and declares that existing employees would merely transfer their worksite from Kingsford-Smith to Badgerys Creek; and
- (6) calls on the Government to quickly abandon the Badgerys Creek airport proposal and place any new second airport outside the Sydney basin. (*Notice given 24 June 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)

11 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To move—That the House:

- (1) following the findings of the Dawson Royal Commission into the Longford gas explosion, condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to give legislative backing to the National Standard for Control of Major Hazard Facilities;
- (2) notes that if the Kennett Government had passed legislation as the federal and Western Australian Governments have done the disaster may well have been averted;
- (3) notes that the Oil and Gas platforms in Bass Strait are the subject of the national standard but not Longford, which is only 120 kilometres away, because it is under State jurisdiction; and
- (4) condemns the Kennett Government for contributing to the Longford tragedy by failing to implement workplace safety reform. (*Notice given 30 June 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)

- 12 **MR DANBY:** To move—That this House requests the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade to specifically inquire into and report on the question of religious persecution in Iran, including the prosecution of the thirteen imprisoned Jews, as part of the committee's present inquiry into Australia's efforts to protect and promote freedom of religion and belief. (*Notice given 30 June 1999; amended 1 September 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 13 **MRS CROSIO:** To move—That the House calls for a parliamentary committee inquiry into the ways and means by which the Commonwealth can advise and assist employees recently made redundant due to the insolvency of their employer, or facing the threat of redundancy, including:
- (1) how to organise themselves into co-operative organisations to either purchase or lease the company for which they work when it becomes insolvent or nears insolvency, if after a rigorous analysis of the company's finances such action is deemed to be prudent, sensible and standing a genuine chance of success and thereby maintain their employment;
 - (2) how to make the required reforms to the financial structure of the company in question in order to make it economically viable; and
 - (3) what management training programs may be necessary in order for employees to successfully administer their business and avoid insolvency in the future. (*Notice given 11 August 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 14 **MR MARTIN:** To move—That the House:
- (1) notes the extreme hardship that will be caused to Australia's Defence Force personnel as a result of the new fringe benefits tax (FBT) reporting regime put in place as part of the Government's new tax system;
 - (2) notes that the Government has decided to only exempt a few of the fringe benefits and allowances that Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel receive from the new FBT reporting regime;
 - (3) notes the unique and harsh conditions that ADF personnel work under and the fact that the ADF is not an ordinary workforce and has never been treated that way by previous governments; and
 - (4) calls on the Government to recognise the unique status of the ADF and to therefore exempt all ADF personnel from FBT reporting requirements in respect of the conditions and benefits they receive because of their service in the armed forces. (*Notice given 24 August 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 15 **MR ANDREN:** To move—That the House:
- (1) notes the report of the National Inquiry into Children and the Legal Process in 1997 entitled "Seen and Heard", undertaken jointly by the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission and the Australian Law Reform Commission, and its recommendation that Federal legislation be enacted to prohibit the mandatory detention of juvenile offenders;

- (2) notes the 1998 report of the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties into the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child which was critical of mandatory sentencing;
- (3) further notes the introduction of a private Senator's bill entitled Human Rights (Mandatory Sentencing of Juvenile Offenders) Bill 1999, and its planned reference to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee for a public inquiry; and
- (4) calls on the Government to support the Senate inquiry and to ensure that Australia meets its stated human rights obligations. (*Notice given 24 August 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)

16 **MR BEAZLEY:** To move—That:

- (1) recalling the Australian people's overwhelming decision in the 1967 Referendum to confer upon the Commonwealth Parliament responsibility for enhancement of the rights and well being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people;
- (2) reaffirming the abhorrence of racism shared by the Australian people and their Federal and State Governments;
- (3) reaffirming Australia's recognition of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide and the International Convention on the Prevention of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;
- (4) recalling the Parliament's commitment in October 1996 to the principles of racial tolerance; and;
- (5) recognising the profound economic and social disadvantage suffered by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people—

this House:

- (a) affirms that the tabling of "Bringing them Home", the Report of the National Inquiry into the Separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children from their Families, presents the nation with an unprecedented historical opportunity to render justice and restitution to Indigenous Australians, for the good of all Australians;
- (b) acknowledges the immense trauma inflicted upon the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of Australia as a result of the separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children from their families under past government policies in place from before the time of Federation until the early 1900s;
- (c) affirms that these racially discriminatory policies and their continuing consequences are a matter of national shame;
- (d) affirms that current and future Federal and State governments are responsible for assisting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to rectify the ongoing effects of those policies;
- (e) affirms its commitment to a just and proper settlement of the grievances of people adversely affected by those policies; and

on behalf of the nation—

- (f) unreservedly apologises to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians for the separation policies;
 - (g) calls upon Federal and State Governments to establish, in consultation with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, appropriate processes to provide compensation and restitution, including assistance for the reunification of families and counselling services;
 - (h) calls on the Federal and State Governments to establish appropriate education programs to enhance community awareness of the history and continuing consequences of past practices and policies of racial discrimination; and
 - (i) calls upon the Federal Government to declare a National Day in recognition and remembrance of the great suffering which flowed from the separation policies, and to affirm our nation's commitment to justice for Indigenous Australians, today and for the future. (*Notice given 25 August 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 17 **MR MELHAM:** To move—That this House, noting the desire of the Australian community to satisfactorily resolve outstanding issues concerning the stolen generation referred to in the recommendations of the report of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission entitled *Bringing Them Home*, calls on the Government to:
- (1) settle the stolen generation case currently before the federal court in the Northern Territory; and
 - (2) following consultation and agreement with appropriate representatives of the Stolen Generation, to:
 - (a) establish an alternate dispute resolution tribunal to assist members of the Stolen Generations by resolving claims for compensation:
 - (i) through consultation, conciliation and negotiation, rather than adversarial litigation; and
 - (ii) where appropriate and agreed to, deliver alternate forms of restitution; and
 - (b) set up processes and mechanisms which are adequately funded to:
 - (i) provide counselling;
 - (ii) record their testimonies;
 - (iii) educate Australians about their history and current plight;
 - (iv) help them to establish their ancestry and to access family reunion services; and
 - (v) help them to re-establish or re-build their links to their culture, language and history. (*Notice given 31 August 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 18 **DR THEOPHANOUS:** To move—That this House:
- (1) expresses its concern regarding the aims and content of Migration Series Instruments (MSI) 244, which permits the transfer of asylum seekers from

Migration Detention Centres to State prisons, where they are then held without charges or court proceedings;

- (2) recognises that the actions permitted under MSI-244 constitute an arbitrary executive imprisonment of people, of the kind which Australia has condemned when it occurs in other countries;
- (3) recognises the concerns expressed by the Commonwealth Ombudsman, Amnesty International, the Refugee Council of Australia, the Human Rights Commissioner and others, concerning the arbitrary powers of imprisonment given to immigration officers and detention centre officials under MSI-244;
- (4) notes that MSI-244 itself states that “there is no clear statutory basis for the selective transfer of detainees” to a State prison, and that this specific provision has never been approved by Parliament; and
- (5) calls upon the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs to immediately withdraw MSI-244 and draft a new MSI, that only allows transfers of refugees claimants to State prison in circumstances when they are being charged with an offence under a State or Commonwealth law, other than breach of migration visa laws). *(Notice given 1 September 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.)*

19 **MS HALL:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the progress that has been made by the States in moving towards truth in labelling for the egg industry;
- (2) requests the Commonwealth to show leadership and further facilitate all the States adopting national labelling standards; and
- (3) supports the phasing out of the practice of intense battery hen and egg farming. *(Notice given 1 September 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.)*

20 **MR ALBANESE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) supports the United Nations Organisation of African Unity Referendum for the Western Sahara;
- (2) applauds the efforts of the UN Secretary General Kofi Annan and his special envoy for Western Sahara Mr James Baker to ensure that a free and fair Referendum is held in Western Sahara to allow its people to exercise their right to self-determination; and
- (3) calls on the Government to reintroduce its contingent to the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO). *(Notice given 21 September 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.)*

21 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To move—That the House:

- (1) welcomes the UN-OAU progress in the organisation of a free and fair referendum in Western Sahara, to enable its people to exercise their right to self-determination;
- (2) calls upon Morocco to fully cooperate with the UN-OAU and abide by the agreements and UN resolutions setting the referendum date for 31 July 2000

- (3) urges the Government to extend all its assistance to the UN mission for Western Sahara (MINURSO); and
- (3) establish official contacts with the Sahrawi Independence movement the Polisario. (*Notice given 28 September 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)

22 **DR THEOPHANOUS:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that the report “Going for Gold Immigration Entry Arrangements for the Olympic and Paralympic Games” by the Joint Standing Committee on Migration, has made significant criticism of the visitor visa system and has warned of the potential embarrassment that this will create during the Sydney Olympic Games;
- (2) notes that the Committee believes “that the higher refusal rates in some countries, and the difference between the ETA and non-ETA countries could produce embarrassing publicity detrimental to Australia’s international image”;
- (3) notes that the representatives of the tourism industry and other witnesses believe that the system is highly intrusive for those applying from non-ETA countries, in so far as applicants are required to give many assurances and much information—far in excess of what is necessary for a tourist visa;
- (4) notes that the Report confirms that those applying under the non-ETA (a system mostly from third world countries) system was subject to a much higher rejection rate for visitor visas and that the system is widely perceived as highly discriminatory—these aspects of the system have been admitted by the Minister and his Department;
- (5) notes that the Committee further recommended “That an independent review analyses the effect of the visa application fee on applications and the effect on Australia’s image as a potential tourist destination”; and
- (6) calls upon the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs and the Government to totally overhaul the current discredited visitor visa process and to develop as a matter of urgency in the lead up to the Olympic Games, a fairer non-discriminatory system. (*Notice given 29 September 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)

23 **MR WILTON:** To move—That the House:

- (1) recognises the economic importance of Moorabbin Airport to the economic development of south-eastern Melbourne;
- (2) expresses its concern that the Minister for Transport recently approved a master plan for its future development, which proposes an unacceptable ceiling of over 452 000 movements annually over the current level of 340 000 annually despite the close proximity of residential areas;
- (3) calls on the Government to legislate for the introduction of a curfew between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.; and
- (4) calls on the Government to extend control tower operating hours to coincide with the proposed curfew. (*Notice given 30 September 1999. Notice will be*

removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999)

24 **MR ALBANESE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) applauds the actions of South Sydney rugby league supporters in demonstrating their support for South Sydney to remain in the National Rugby League competition;
- (2) notes that South Sydney are financially sound, have superb facilities at the Sydney Football Stadium, have an enormous support base and an outstanding junior team development structure;
- (3) notes that to abandon any sense of history, spirit and community involvement will destroy rugby league;
- (4) recognises that local institutions play a central role in defining a sense of community and giving our youth role models to aspire to; and
- (5) calls on the National Rugby League to include South Sydney in any future competition. (*Notice given 11 October 1999. Notice given 11 October 1999. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999*)

Orders of the day

- 1 **SUPERANNUATION (ENTITLEMENTS OF SAME SEX COUPLES) BILL 1998** (*Mr Albanese*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 7 June 1999*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 18 October 1999.*)
- 2 **EMPLOYEE PROTECTION (WAGE GUARANTEE) BILL 1999** (*Mrs Crosio*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 7 June 1999*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 18 October 1999.*)
- 3 **DISCRIMINATION IN THE WORKPLACE:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 June 1999—Mr St Clair, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Cadman—That the House:
 - (1) endorses the continuing protection of the law to prevent discrimination in the workplace;
 - (2) acknowledges the disproportionate impact of unfair dismissal laws on the confidence of small business employers to employ additional people to their workforce;
 - (3) condemns the continuation of unfair dismissal laws for businesses employing fewer than fifteen people; and
 - (4) calls on the Senate to reverse its opposition to the removal of unfair dismissal laws. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 18 October 1999.*)
- 4 **POPULATION POLICY:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 June 1999—Mr Hollis, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Andren—That this House:
 - (1) notes the discrepancies and contradictions in expert assessments of Australia's optimum population;

- (2) recognises the damage caused to the nation's social fabric by ill-informed and emotive comments on the nation's immigration program;
 - (3) notes that population growth is ultimately a product of fertility rates and levels of net immigration, while acknowledging that Australia has a limited carrying capacity, both ecologically and economically;
 - (4) notes that without a population policy Australia risks a continuation of the divisive scapegoating of minority ethnic groups; and
 - (5) calls for the convening of a national population forum to consider and propose a population policy for Australia and the social and concrete infrastructure required to sustain that population. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 18 October 1999.*)
- 5 **IRISH IMMIGRANTS AND THEIR DESCENDANTS:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 June 1999*) on the motion of Mr Hardgrave—That this House acknowledges the strong and vital contribution made to the values which underpin Australian society by Irish immigrants and their descendants. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 18 October 1999.*)
- 6 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (DEFENCE PURPOSES LEAVE) BILL 1999** (*Mr Bevis*): Second reading (*from 21 June 1999*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 18 October 1999.*)
- 7 **FOOD LABELLING:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 June 1999*) on the motion of Mr Ripoll—That this House:
- (1) notes the importance of food labelling in providing consumers with accurate nutritional information;
 - (2) recognises that food labelling regulations must contain enough information so that consumers can be confident a product is good value for money, meets their health and nutritional standards and falls within their cultural and religious requirements;
 - (3) recognises that nutritional and dietary related illnesses are matters of public health;
 - (4) expresses concern at the Howard Government's deregulation of food labelling controls;
 - (5) condemns the Howard Government's failure to acknowledge and respond to the level of community anxiety over food labelling deregulation; and
 - (6) calls upon the Howard Government to reverse its decision on food labelling deregulation, work towards greater protection and information for consumers and maintain the health department's role in regulating nutritional and dietary matters. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 18 October 1999.*)
- 8 **MARINE ENVIRONMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 June 1999*) on the motion of Mr Neville—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the necessity of preserving the sustainability of the Australian fishing stocks;
 - (2) recognises the economic potential of quality seafood exports;
 - (3) commends the industry for its work on by-catch reduction devices (BRDs) and turtle exclusion devices (TEDs) and the protection of nursery grounds;
 - (4) acknowledges the value of the vessel monitoring system (VMS) as a cost-efficient method of vessel location and crew safety and especially of regulating closures by strategic area locations rather than by time; and
 - (5) calls for sanity and equity in balancing the protection of the marine environment and the legitimate expectations of fishermen, their families and those communities reliant on them. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 18 October 1999.*)
- 9 **WHEAT FREIGHT SUBSIDY:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 June 1999*) on the motion of Ms O'Byrne—That the House:
- (1) draws to the attention of the Government the vital role that the Wheat Freight Subsidy plays in Tasmania in underpinning up to 1600 jobs in the baking, chicken, stockfeed and pork sectors; and
 - (2) calls for the Government to extend the Wheat Freight Subsidy Scheme for a further three years on a calendar year basis to provide essential industry security. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 18 October 1999.*)
- 10 **BROADBAND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 June 1999—Mr I. E. Macfarlane, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Lindsay—That this House:
- (1) recognises the vital and growing role electronic information transmission plays in education, research and business activity throughout Australia;
 - (2) further recognises that the availability of adequate capacity, high quality and appropriately priced bandwidth—for the electronic transmission of information—is an important strategic issue for the development of the information economy in Australia;
 - (3) notes that regional areas throughout Australia have a poorer electronic information infrastructure than metropolitan areas, and the gap is widening; and
 - (4) acknowledges the urgent need to provide affordable broadband electronic communications to Australia's regional centres and, in particular, to our regional universities. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 11 **JUBILEE 2000 DEBT COALITION:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 June 1999*) on the motion of Ms J. S. McFarlane—That this House:
- (1) recognises the importance of the efforts of the Jubilee 2000 Debt Coalition in working to obtain a debt free start in the new millennium for a billion people in impoverished countries;

- (2) supports the Jubilee 2000 Debt Coalition's efforts to present a 370 000 signature petition to the G7 leaders meeting in Cologne on 19 June 1999; and
 - (3) supports the Jubilee 2000 Debt Coalition's efforts to encourage the G7 leaders to take effective steps to prevent high levels of debt building up again in impoverished countries. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 12 **TIDAL ENERGY STATION:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 June 1999*) on the motion of Mr Charles— That the House of Representatives supports the proposal of Tidal Power Australia for a tidal energy station at Doctors Creek, Derby, WA, to supply the electric power needs of Derby, Fitzroy Crossing, Western Metals and Broome in an environmentally sensitive manner with true renewable and non-polluting energy. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 13 **TELSTRA'S 013 DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE SERVICES:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 August 1999—Mr Barresi, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Rudd— That this House:
- (1) note mounting customer dissatisfaction across Australia at the deterioration of Telstra's 013 directory assistance services;
 - (2) note, in particular, (a) customer irritation at increasing delays in operator response times, (b) operators cutting off customers before being able to provide further clarifying information on inquiries, (c) the intrusion of Telstra advertising of its 12456 '75 cents plus call costs' service in addition to (d) the plethora of other Telstra advertising forced on Telstra customers before finally being given access to the telephone numbers they are seeking;
 - (3) acknowledge the impact of Telstra staff reductions on the quality of 013 services; and
 - (4) direct the Australian Communications Authority to amend its performance standards for Telstra to require Telstra to provide a simple 013 directory service with proper staffing levels and without audio advertisements for other services. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 14 **UNEMPLOYMENT WITHIN INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 August 1999*) on the motion of Dr Nelson—That this House:
- (1) recognises the very high and entrenched levels of unemployment that exist within indigenous communities throughout Australia;
 - (2) recognises that fewer indigenous Australians actively participate in the labour market and have lower skill levels compared to the rest of the general population;
 - (3) welcomes the federal Government's specific commitment of \$115 million towards tackling unemployment within indigenous communities in Australia; and

- (4) calls on governments at all levels to work in cooperation with indigenous communities and employers in addressing these critical problems. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 15 **TIANANMEN SQUARE MASSACRE:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 August 1999*) on the motion of Mr Danby—That this House:
- (1) notes with sadness that 4 June 1999 was the tenth anniversary of the date of the Tiananmen Square massacre;
 - (2) expresses its sympathy to the families of those who died as a result of their participation in the democracy protests of 1989 in the People's Republic of China as well as those who have suffered for their efforts to advance human rights and democratic expression during the past decade;
 - (3) commends citizens of the People's Republic of China who peacefully advocate democracy and human rights; and
 - (4) deplores ongoing human rights abuses in the People's Republic of China and calls on the Government of that country to:
 - (a) re-evaluate the official verdict on 4 June 1989 Tiananmen pro-democracy activities and initiate open investigations on the 4 June event with the goal of providing a complete and accurate account of those events;
 - (b) treat fairly Chinese students who elected to stay in Australia after 4 June 1989 under special temporary visas and who have since returned to their homeland;
 - (c) release all prisoners of conscience, including those still in prison as a result of their participation in the pro-democracy protests of May and June 1989, provide just compensation to the families of those killed in those protests and allow those exiled on account of their activities in 1989 to return and live in freedom in the People's Republic of China;
 - (d) put an end to harassment, detention and imprisonment of Chinese citizens exercising their internationally recognised rights to the freedom of expression, freedom of association and freedom of religion; and
 - (e) proceed quickly to ratify and implement the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights which it signed on 5 October 1998. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 16 **PARLIAMENT HOUSE SWITCHBOARD SERVICES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF STATEMENT BY SPEAKER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 August 1999—Mr McMullan, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr McMullan—That the House take note of the paper. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 17 **SELF-FUNDED RETIREES AND THE GST:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 August 1999—Mr Horne, in continuation*) on the motion of Mrs Crosio—That the House:

- (1) notes the high number of self-funded retirees in Australia who are struggling financially at the present time;
 - (2) recognises that the Howard Government's GST will create greater financial hardship for thousands of self-funded retirees because it taxes the essentials of life, will make people receiving low fixed incomes from superannuation or other measures pay the same rate of tax as people on higher incomes and offers inadequate financial compensation; and
 - (3) investigates other means of offering financial assistance and incentive to struggling self-funded retirees distinct from a Goods and Services Tax. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 18 **PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND THEIR CARERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 August 1999*) on the motion of Mrs Gash—That the House:
- (1) understands the need to work towards addressing the needs of people with disabilities and their carers throughout Australia;
 - (2) recognises the particular difficulties for people with disabilities and their carers and the need for respite care services and facilities in regions such as Gilmore and Macquarie;
 - (3) welcomes the federal Government's specific commitment of over \$1.7 billion to the Commonwealth/State Disability Agreement to assist them in their primary areas of responsibility and to increase the support for carers of people with disabilities; and
 - (4) calls on governments at all levels to cooperate with one another to identify, fund and maintain services and facilities for respite care for people with disabilities and their carers. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 19 **PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 August 1999*) on the motion of Mr Hardgrave—That this House acknowledges the value to all Australians of their country's growing trade and friendship with the People's Republic of China. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 20 **LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE BILL 1999** (*Mr Kerr*): Second reading (*from 30 August 1999*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 21 **FAIR PRICES AND BETTER ACCESS FOR ALL (PETROLEUM) BILL 1999** (*Mr Fitzgibbon*): Second reading (*from 30 August 1999*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 22 **HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 August 1999—Mr Murphy, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms J. I. Bishop—That the House:
- (1) welcomes the report entitled "Final report of the Health and Medical Research Strategic Review Committee: The virtuous cycle—Working

together for health and medical research” and its recommendations for implementation;

- (2) notes the important link between Australia’s health and medical research capability and the delivery of a cost-effective and equitable health care system;
 - (3) recognises the excellent work and the high level of commitment among those working in the medical research field;
 - (4) applauds the Federal Government’s specific commitment to increasing annual funding for health and medical research, through the National Health and Medical Research Council, by more than doubling funding of base research with an investment of a further \$614m over the next six years; and
 - (5) urges the Federal Government to pursue reforms proposed in the final report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 23 **REPUBLIC REFERENDUM:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 August 1999*) on the motion of Ms Roxon—That the House:
- (1) notes the importance of the referendum on 6 November 1999 that goes to our identity as a nation and our system of government;
 - (2) notes that our stable democracy will continue and be strengthened if this referendum question were to be approved by the people of Australia;
 - (3) urges all Members of this House, whether they be monarchists, republicans or direct election supporters, to participate honestly in the referendum campaign; and
 - (4) deplures misleading and mischievous scare campaigns on such an important national issue, such as:
 - (a) the misrepresentation of the current powers of the Prime Minister to dismiss a Governor-General;
 - (b) suggesting that the new constitutional arrangements would be unworkable or undemocratic;
 - (c) understating the significance of the public nomination process;
 - (d) mischaracterising the non-partisan role of the Commonwealth Parliament in appointing the President; and
 - (e) the use of the preamble issue to distract from the question of whether Australia should have an Australian Head of State. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 24 **AVIATION NOISE OMBUDSMAN BILL 1999** (*Mr Albanese*): Second reading (*from 20 September 1999*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 25 **DRUGS STRATEGY:** Resumption of debate (*from 20 September 1999*) on the motion of Mrs Irwin—That the House:
- (1) notes the failure of the Howard Government’s Tough on Drugs Strategy, in particular, that after two years there has been:

- (a) an increase in drug use, with the average age of first users decreasing;
 - (b) no significant decline in the amount of illicit drugs entering Australia, even after a number of high profile “busts”;
 - (c) inadequate funding for community-based programs in those areas of greatest need, particularly the south-west of Sydney; and
 - (d) a lack of evidence that zero tolerance policies have achieved anything other than making the illicit drug trade the world’s fastest growing industry; and
- (2) calls on the Government to take a more effective and creative approach to stemming the social tragedy being caused by the increasing use of heroin and other dangerous, addictive and illicit drugs. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 26 **HUMAN RIGHTS AND IRANIAN JEWS:** Resumption of debate (*from 20 September 1999*) on the motion of Mr Pyne—That the House:
- (1) reaffirms the fundamental principles of human rights that must be practised by the entire international community;
 - (2) condemns the false arrest and imprisonment of thirteen Iranian Jews on spurious espionage charges; and
 - (3) calls upon Iranian authorities to immediately release the falsely imprisoned Iranian Jews. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 27 **HOMELESSNESS AMONGST YOUNG PEOPLE:** Resumption of debate (*from 20 September 1999*) on the motion of Mrs Gash—That the House:
- (1) recognises the very high risk of homelessness amongst young people in several areas of regional Australia;
 - (2) recognises that this is a problem amongst young people in regions such as Gilmore and Macquarie;
 - (3) welcomes the federal Government’s specific commitment of over \$45 million towards reducing that risk and providing appropriate accommodation services; and
 - (4) calls on governments at all levels to cooperate with one another to identify, fund and implement programs of assistance for our young people. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 28 **INQUIRY INTO MEDICAL PROFESSION:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 September 1999—Mr Lawler, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Latham—That the House urges the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission to conduct a full-scale inquiry into the medical profession, focussing on:
- (1) anti-competitive practices, particularly among surgeons and specialists;
 - (2) reform of medical training practices, particularly within the College of Surgeons; and
 - (3) areas where the medical profession does not comply with trade practices law. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-*

accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.)

- 29 **EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAMS:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 September 1999*) on the motion of Dr Emerson—That the House:
- (1) expresses its concern about widening inequality in Australia;
 - (2) notes the increasing evidence that the earliest years of childhood are vital in determining the life chances of young people;
 - (3) recognises that early intervention in the form of parenting programs, home visiting and literacy and numeracy programs are valuable in improving the life chances of young people; and
 - (4) acknowledges that the Commonwealth has an important role to play in the funding of early intervention programs. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 30 **CHILD CARE AND PARENTAL CHOICE:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 September 1999*) on the motion of Mrs Elson—That the House:
- (1) acknowledges the financial sacrifice made by parents, one of whom chooses to care for their children full-time, rather than return to paid employment;
 - (2) recognises the social and community value of this full-time care, including the reduced burden on Government expenditure;
 - (3) notes the social pressure on many of today's women with young children to remain in paid employment; and
 - (4) welcomes the Government's ongoing commitment to provide real choice for parents by easing the financial pressure on Australian families by (a) continuing low interest rates, (b) the new, fairer tax system and (c) specifically, recognising the value of full-time care by more than doubling of the tax free threshold for single income families with a child under 5 years of age. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 31 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE SERVICE AND TRAINING) BILL 1999** (*Mr Beazley*): Second reading (*from 11 October 1999*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 32 **SIX BILLION PEOPLE DAY:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 October 1999*) on the motion of Dr Nelson—That this House:
- (1) notes Tuesday 12th October is the day of Six Billion People;
 - (2) notes uncontrollable population expansion will lead to increasing pressure on the world leading to serious environmental and social problems;
 - (3) while respecting cultural sensibilities, calls for a realistic approach to family planning, including access to information on family planning; and
 - (4) stresses the issues of population and development are interconnected. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 33 **OYSTER INDUSTRY:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 October 1999*) on the motion of Mr Horne—That the House:
- (1) acknowledges the oyster industry as a responsible industry that is a large employer of people both directly and indirectly in regional Australia;

- (2) recognises that regional jobs are rapidly diminishing and the loss of a viable oyster industry would result in the loss of thousands of jobs in coastal Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria; and
 - (3) calls on the Government as a matter of urgency to exclude oyster farmers from having to value their oyster crop as an asset and therefore be considered as income for taxation purposes starting in the year 2000-2001. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 34 **PHARMACIES:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 October 1999*) on the motion of Mr Neville—That this House:
- (1) recognises the role of community pharmacy in the Australian health system;
 - (2) notes the recommendations of the Joint Select Committee on the Retailing Sector regarding the discouragement of pharmacies in chain stores;
 - (3) draws attention to the independent professional status of Australian pharmacists in their delivery of dispensing and health advisory services; and
 - (4) believes that pharmacy ownership should continue to reside with duly trained and qualified pharmacists. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)
- 35 **BROADCASTING FROM COX PENINSULA:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 October 1999*) on the motion of Mr Hollis—That this House:
- (1) calls on the Government to reverse the decision on the transmitters at Cox Peninsula near Darwin; and
 - (2) urges the Government to recommence broadcasting from Cox Peninsula as a matter of urgency. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 18 October 1999.*)

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS (standing orders 101, 102A and 102C): Presentation and consideration of committee and delegation reports has precedence each Monday.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS (standing orders 101 and 104) has precedence from the conclusion of consideration of committee and delegation reports, being interrupted at 1.45 p.m. and then continuing for 1 hour after the presentation of petitions each Monday. The **SELECTION COMMITTEE** is responsible for determining the order of precedence and allotting time for debate on consideration of committee and delegation reports and private Members' business. Its determinations for the next sitting Monday are shown under "Business accorded priority for Monday, 18 October 1999". Any private Members' business not called on, or consideration of private Members' business or committee and delegation reports which has been interrupted and not re-accorded priority by the Selection Committee on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays, shall be removed from the Notice Paper (standing order 104B).

BUSINESS OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 13 October 1999

The Main Committee meets at 9.40 a.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**Orders of the day**

- 1 **FISHERIES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 1999** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 1 September 1999—Mr K. J. Thomson*).

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS**Orders of the day**

- 1 **ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REVIEW OF REEVES REPORT ON ABORIGINAL LAND RIGHTS (NORTHERN TERRITORY) ACT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 August 1999—Mr Lieberman, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Lieberman—That the House take note of the report.
- 2 **INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND RESOURCES—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON EFFECT OF CERTAIN PUBLIC POLICY CHANGES IN AUSTRALIA'S R&D—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 20 September 1999—Mr Lloyd, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Lloyd—That the House take note of the report.
- 3 **RETAILING SECTOR—JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 September 1999—Mr Neville*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House take note of the report.
- 4 **REPUBLIC REFERENDUM—JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE—ADVISORY REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 25 August 1999—Mr Wilton*) on the motion of Mr Charles—That the House take note of the report.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—*continued***Orders of the day—*continued***

- 2 **COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORT AND MICROECONOMIC REFORM—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON AUSTRALIAN MARITIME SAFETY AUTHORITY ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1996-97—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 September 1999—Ms J. S. McFarlane, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Reith—That the House take note of the paper.



QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

On the first sitting day of each week, a complete Notice Paper is published containing all unanswered questions. On subsequent days, only new questions for the week are included in the Notice Paper.

Questions unanswered

Nos 1, 404, 450, 460, 461, 465, 538, 643, 650, 660, 663, 673, 682, 686, 690, 703, 705, 708, 746, 782, 786-788, 798-800, 807, 814-816, 823, 827, 840, 850, 857, 858, 860, 865, 874, 875, 882, 884, 885, 891, 893, 895, 897-934, 937-961.

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- 962 **MR BEVIS:** To ask the Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business—
- (1) What procedure is followed in the Office of the Employment Advocate upon receiving a complaint under the freedom of association provisions of the Workplace Relations Act.
 - (2) What is the average time taken between receiving a complaint and any subsequent action before the relevant court.
- 963 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- (1) Which non-government organisations have had funding terminated under the (a) National Secretariat Program or (b) Community Sector Support Scheme since March 1996.
 - (2) For each organisation referred to in part (1), (a) on what date did funding cease, (b) what was the last annual sum provided and (c) what reason was given for withdrawing funding.
 - (3) What sum was provided to the secretariat of Family Planning Australia in (a) 1995-96, (b) 1996-97, (c) 1997-98 and (d) 1998-99 and what sum will be provided in 1999-2000.
 - (4) Has secretariat funding been provided to the Australian Federation of Pregnancy Support Services; if so, (a) when did funding commence, (b) what are the purposes for which funding is provided and (c) what sum will be allocated to the Federation in 1999-2000.
- 964 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Health and Aged Care—
- (1) What sum was provided by his Department to Family Planning Australia in (a) 1995-96, (b) 1996-97, (c) 1997-98 and (d) 1998-99 and what sum will be provided in 1999-2000.
 - (2) Has secretariat funding been provided by his Department to the Australian Federation of Pregnancy Support Services; if so, (a) when did funding commence, (b) what are the purposes for which funding is provided and (c) what sum will be allocated to the Federation in 1999-2000.

- 965 **MS J. S. MCFARLANE:** To ask the Minister for Community Services—
- (1) On the most recent data, how many (a) community-based and (b) private Long day Care centres are there in the electoral division of Stirling.
 - (2) What is the name and address of each centre.
 - (3) How many children are enrolled at each centre.
 - (4) What sum in Commonwealth funding did each centre receive in (a) 1995-96, (b) 1996-97, (c) 1997-98 and (d) 1998-99.
 - (5) What is the estimated sum that each centre will receive in 1999-2000.
 - (6) On the most recent data, how many families residing within the electoral division of Stirling receive some level of financial child care support from the Commonwealth and which payments do families receive.

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- 966 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) What percentage of Australia's 1999-2000 Aid Budget will be devoted to Micro Credit efforts.
 - (2) How many families will be assisted by these ventures.
 - (3) Has Australia adopted income assessment criteria to determine the proportions of especially poor families affected by the program.
- 967 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence—
- (1) What are the respective roles of the Governor-General and the Queen in approving the official guidelines concerning the acceptance and wearing by Australian Defence Force personnel of foreign honours or awards.
 - (2) Does the Queen act on the advice of the Australian Government or of the Government of the United Kingdom in exercising her powers in this area.
- 968 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence—
- (1) Since the 1998 general election, what new clasps and what changes to the requirements for existing clasps has the Government approved for the (a) Australian Active Service Medal 1975-, (b) Australian Service Medal 1975-, (c) Australian Active Service Medal 1945-75 and (d) Australian Service Medal 1945-75.
 - (2) Do the changes referred to in parts (1)(c) and (d) relate to service in South East Asia between 1955 and 1975; if so, did the Government seek the advice of the Independent Review Panel that it established in May; if not, why not.
- 969 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence—
- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 766 (*Hansard*, 21 September 1999, page 7690), how many of the reservists recruited in 1998-99 for the (a) Navy, (b) Army and (c) Air Force were personnel transferring to the Reserves from the permanent forces.
 - (2) Since March 1996 has the Australian Defence Force conducted market research on (a) reservists and potential reservists and (b) employers, on the

difficulties of combining reserve service with civilian employment; if so, who conducted the research and what were the main findings.

- (3) If the Government has not conducted recent market research, what information sources does it rely on in order to develop suitable recruitment and retention measures.
- 970 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business—What action is the Government taking to ratify and implement ILO Convention 103 Maternity Protection at Work: Revision of the Maternity Protection Convention (Revised) 1952 and Recommendation 1952 (No.95), Report V (1), ILO Conference (87th: 1999).
- 971 **MR PRICE:** To ask the Prime Minister—Did he request a report into the Australian Defence Force Reserves; if so, (a) when did he request the report, (b) what prompted the request and (c) when will the report be finalised and published.
- 972 **MR PRICE:** To ask the Prime Minister—
- (1) Which countries have committed troops to INTERFET and what is the precise nature and numbers of troops committed.
 - (2) If the troops have not been deployed, what is the likely date of deployment.
 - (3) Are other countries considering whether to commit troops; if so, which countries.
- 973 **MR PRICE:** To ask the Prime Minister—
- (1) Did the Minister for Defence in an answer to a question without notice (*Hansard*, 23 September 1999, page 7870) following the first week of operations advise that Australia had deployed 2 468 ADF personnel to East Timor, another 987 personnel were serving on ships and that 282 personnel were serving from coalition partners.
 - (2) On the basis of the answer, is Australia currently providing 92.5% of the INTERFET forces.
 - (3) What will be the percentage of Australian forces deployed in East Timor when coalition partners have fulfilled their promised commitments.
- 974 **MR LATHAM:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Are editions of the book “Lord Elgin and the Marbles”, written by William St Clair and published by Oxford University Press, available to him and his Department; if so, which editions.
 - (2) On what occasions, in what circumstances and with what results was the question of the Parthenon marbles last reviewed by him or his Department.
- 975 **MR LATHAM:** To ask the Minister for Defence—With which countries and for what periods has Australia been in a state of war at any time since the federation of the Australian colonies.
- 976 **MR LATHAM:** To ask the Attorney-General—
- (1) On what dates was the Australia Act approved by the Parliaments concerned.
 - (2) Is he able to say which Governors of Australian States have been appointed by the Queen on the advice of the Premier of those States.

977 **MR LATHAM:** To ask the Attorney-General—

- (1) Which administrators of Australian territories have been appointed since 1979.
- (2) When and by whom were the administrators referred to in part (1) appointed.

978 **MR ANDREN:** To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Is it fact that (a) the GST compensation package for recipients of Commonwealth payments and self funded retirees will not commence until July 2000 and (b) people are having to pay a GST component now on things like car insurance, registration, house insurance, contents insurance, prepaid car services, NRMA memberships, club memberships, subscriptions, annual medical insurance and post office boxes.
- (2) If so, is the GST placing additional financial pressures on those least able to pay; if not, why not.
- (3) Why did the compensation package not commence in 1999-2000, given the transitional impact on low income earners.

MR ANDREN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 979-980)—

- (1) Is it a fact that assistance under the Jobs, Education and Training (JET) program administered jointly by the Department of Family and Community Services and the Department of Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business, is available to recipients of Parenting Payment; Widow Allowance; Partner Allowance; Widow B Pension; Carer Payment and some Special Benefit recipients, but not recipients of the Disability Support Pension.
- (2) If so, why are Disability Support Pension recipients excluded from accessing assistance under the JET program and what alternative assistance is available for such pensioners.
- (3) Is it anomalous that a parent in receipt of the Parenting Payment or a carer in receipt of the Carer Payment can receive assistance under the JET program, but that a parent in receipt of the Disability Support Pension with a dependent child cannot access assistance under the program; if not, why not.

979 **MR ANDREN:** To ask the Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business.

980 **MR ANDREN:** To ask the Minister for Community Services.

981 **MR KERR:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 545 (*Hansard*, 9 August 1999, page 6321) concerning extradition proceedings regarding Mr P Foster, is the Minister able to provide further responses to parts (3) and (4) of that question; if not, why not.
- (2) Has the Minister's attention been drawn to Justice Drummond's criticisms (in *Foster v Minister* 164 ALR 357 at paragraphs 63 and 64) of the advice tendered to the Minister by the Minister's Department.
- (3) In light of Justice Drummond's finding that there would appear no difficulty in obtaining informed opinion from the UK Serious Fraud Office as to the

punishment Mr Foster would be likely to receive if convicted in the UK of only the three extradition offences, has the Minister made such an inquiry.

- (4) If inquiries have not been made, why not, given that Justice Drummond has characterised this as causing the Minister to fail to take into account an issue the Minister was required by regulation 7 to have regard to.
 - (5) If inquiries have been made, what was the advice of the Serious Fraud Office.
 - (6) Are the offences for which Mr Foster's extradition has been sought regarded as not trivial in nature by the Minister; if so, why, given Justice Drummond's remarks at paragraph 65.
 - (7) What are the particulars of the three offences against Mr Foster in respect of which his extradition has been sought.
 - (8) Did the Minister and the Minister's Department have regard to the answers given by the UK Lord Chancellor, commented upon by Justice Drummond at paragraph 53; if not, why not.
 - (9) What steps will the Minister take to improve the processing of extradition applications by the Minister and by the Minister's Department to ensure that proper regard is given to the seriousness of the actual conduct alleged and offence charged in an application for extradition.
- 982 **MR SCIACCA:** To ask the Minister for Community Services—
- (1) On the most recent data, how many (a) community-based and (b) private Long Day Care centres are there in the electoral division of Bowman.
 - (2) What is the name and address of each centre.
 - (3) How many children are enrolled at each centre.
 - (4) What sum in Commonwealth funding did each centre receive in (a) 1995-96, (b) 1996-97, (c) 1997-98 and (d) 1998-99.
 - (5) What is the estimated sum that each centre will receive in 1999-2000.
 - (6) On the most recent data, how many families residing within the electoral division of Bowman receive some level of financial child care support from the Commonwealth and which payments do families receive.

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- *983 **MR ANDREN:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
- (1) What financial support will the Government be providing to regional television broadcasters to help meet the cost of digital conversion.
 - (2) Is it a fact that the networks' estimates of the cost of digital conversion are \$195 million more than the Government's estimate; if so, what provision has been made for an independent assessment of cost.
 - (3) Is the Government committed to providing Australia's 6 million regional television viewers with the same level of service and choice as Australia's metropolitan audience.
 - (4) When will the decision be made on the level of Government commitment to the cost of regional digital conversion.

- (5) Will concerns over budget outlays for Australia's East Timor military commitment influence the level or timing of funding for regional digital conversion.

*984 **MR McCLELLAND:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) With reference to recommendation 5 of the Proponent's Statement (June 1997) for the Long Term Operating Plan (LTOP) issued by Airservices Australia, what system or systems have been adopted to provide periods of respite.
- (2) With reference to recommendation 6, what monitoring and operational experience indicate that adjustments could not be achieved satisfactorily with only the other nine modes, hence requiring the operation of Mode 8.
- (3) With reference to recommendation 19, what is the status of the noise abatement climb procedures standardisation.
- (4) With reference to recommendation 21, how many ANEIs have been produced since the commencement of the LTOP, and what are the figures in relation to those ANEIs.
- (5) With reference to recommendation 24, is the number and distribution of aircraft movements the only method of informing the community about distribution of aircraft noise; if not, what other methods are used; if no other methods are used, are there plans for more accurate methods, including the size of the aircraft or the heights of the aircraft.
- (6) With reference to recommendation 27, has the formal safety analysis been completed; if so, will he provide me with a copy; if not, what were its major findings.
- (7) Has the aim, expressed at page 3-22, of the LTOP that low-power, low-noise approaches are to be supported, been effected; if so, (a) how has it been effected, (b) when was it effected and (c) what data is available to evidence the approach.

*985 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—

- (1) How many subscribers to ABC Concerts have there been from 1995 to 1999.
- (2) How many sales of the ABC Magazine *24 Hours* have there been between 1995 and 1999.

*986 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs—

- (1) How many parent migration applications under the parent arrangements (offshore subclass 113 and onshore subclass 819) were there at the time the Senate disallowed the arrangements on 31 March 1999.
- (2) From which countries were the applications and how many were there for each country.

*987 **MR KERR:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—

- (1) Do funding guidelines exclude high need regional areas such as Glenorchy, Tas., from accessing funding under the Networking the Nation program; if so, will the Government reconsider the guidelines.
 - (2) Do residents of less affluent suburbs of regional capital cities have just as much need for access centres as residents of other regional cities and towns; if not, why not.
- *988 **MR KERR:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs—
- (1) Did he make remarks criticising the Kosovar refugee community for failing to care for the accommodation provided to them.
 - (2) Did he refuse to allow Kosovar refugees living in the Tasmanian Haven Centre to invite the media and the Australian community to inspect the conditions of their centre; if so, why.
 - (3) Is the Tasmanian Haven Centre well maintained.
 - (4) Have the majority of Kosovar refugees put great efforts into maintaining and improving the conditions of the haven centres in which they live; if so, why did he give publicity to a small number of specific instances of poor care alleged to have occurred in one haven centre.
- *989 **MR LATHAM:** To ask the Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business—When will he respond to the matters referred to him by the Minister representing the Minister for Family and Community Services in my question No. 821 (*Hansard*, 22 September 1999, page 7830).
- *990 **MR LATHAM:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Science and Resources—
- (1) What sum in export income was earned by Australian car manufacturers (a) Holden, (b) Ford, (c) Toyota and (d) Mitsubishi in 1998-99.
 - (2) For each manufacturer, what (a) sum of Export Market Development Grants was received, (b) was the major export destination, (c) car models were exported and (d) tariff protection applied to the importation of the models referred to in part (c).
- *991 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Treasurer—
- (1) How many employees does the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) employ in the Large Businesses and High Wealth Individuals Compliance Area in 1999-2000, how many were employed in 1997-98 and 1998-99, and how many will be employed in 2000-01.
 - (2) How many employees does the ATO employ in the Superannuation Guarantee compliance area in 1999-2000, how many were employed in 1998-99, and how many will be employed in 2000-01.
 - (3) For information concerning performance standards from its outsourced information technology supplier, EDS/BHP, does the ATO rely on EDS/BHP itself to provide that information; if so, will the ATO examine independent performance monitoring of its outsourced information technology supply.
 - (4) What measures of performance does the ATO have concerning its outsourcing of the distribution of Group Certificates, and will it make those measures publicly available.

- (5) How many employees does the ATO employ in WA in 1999-2000 and how many were employed in 1997-98, 1998-99 and in August 1992, August 1996 and August 1999.
- (6) How many employees does the Australian Taxation Office employ in (a) SA, (b) Vic., (c) NSW, (d) Qld, (e) Tas, (f) the ACT and (g) the NT in 1999-2000 and for each State and Territory, how many were employed in 1997-98 and 1998-99.
- (7) What percentage of complaints concerning businesses tax avoidance were audited in (a) 1994-95, (b) 1995-96, (c) 1996-97, (d) 1997-98 and (e) 1998-99, and is it a fact that this figure has dropped to as low as 1000 of 25 000.
- (8) How many full time equivalent positions existed in the ATO in August (a) 1992, (b) 1996 and (c) 1999
- (9) How many Senior Executive Service positions existed in (a) the ATO and (b) WA offices of the ATO in August (i) 1992, (ii) 1996 and (iii) 1999.
- (10) Do WA offices of the ATO receive staffing in a ratio equivalent to other States; if not, why not.
- (11) How many full time equivalent positions will be employed at each new call centre to be established in (a) Tas, (b) Vic. and (c) NSW.
- (12) How does the ATO decide on staffing levels in the various States.
- (13) How many full time equivalent positions will the ATO base in WA in its GST section.
- (14) Are all services provided by the ATO available in all States; if not, what, and where, are services available.
- (15) Does processing of tax returns physically occur in each State.
- (16) Has the Tax Commissioner received performance pay associated with downsizing in the ATO.

*992 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Is there currently a review of the ATO's methods for ensuring employer compliance with the Superannuation Guarantee Levy (SGL).
- (2) Does the ATO have the staff resources to follow up every complaint about compliance with the SGL.
- (3) What is the ATO's strategy for dealing with Employee Notifications (ENs) for (a) casual and (b) part time employees.
- (4) Are there different strategies for casual and part time employees; if so, what is the difference.
- (5) What selection criteria are used for projects such as employers in Cairns, hairdressers and child care centres which, under the current compliance strategy for SGL, receive special attention.
- (6) What level of independence do ATO staff in the Superannuation Guarantee compliance area have to follow up complaints made by employees, including prioritising certain ENs.
- (7) Are certain ENs not acted on; if so, what are the criteria for this and are employees who put in ENs told upfront what are the criteria.

- (8) What recourse do employees have for the enforcement of the SGL, aside from reporting it to the ATO
- (9) What sum was gathered by the Australian Taxation Office under the 'General Interest Charge' for employers who did not pay their SG on time in (a) 1995-96, (b) 1996-97, (c) 1997-98 and (d) 1998-99.
- (10) How many employers were charged the 'General Interest Charge' for not paying their employees SGL on time in (a) 1995-96, (b) 1996-97, (c) 1997-98 and (d) 1998-99.

*993 **MR PRICE:** To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Further to his answer to a question without notice (*Hansard*, 23 September 1999, page 7870), what is the increased state of readiness of the additional battalions required to sustain a deployment of 4500 personnel.
- (2) How many battalions will be placed on increased readiness.
- (3) How many personnel are involved.
- (4) What call will be made on reserves.

*994 **MR PRICE:** To ask the Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Further to his answer to a question without notice (*Hansard*, 23 September 1999, page 7871), what are the targets for (a) navy, (b) army and (c) airforce reservists and regulars in the recruitment program to which he referred.
- (2) What are the details of the flexible training to which he referred.
- (3) What is the important role reservists fill to which he referred.
- (4) How many more army personnel have been staffed from administrative roles to the 'sharp end' as a result of the Defence Reform Program.

*995 **MR PRICE:** To ask the Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence—

- (1) How many reservists have been deployed to East Timor for (a) navy, (b) army and (c) airforce (i) medical and dental specialists, (ii) engineers and (iii) other positions.
- (2) How many reservists have been offered secondary engagement but not deployed.
- (3) How many reservists have been offered payments by way of compensation for loss of earnings and what is the estimated annual cost of those payments.
- (4) Have other reservists similarly facing a loss of income, or their employers, been offered similar compensation; if not, why not.

*996 **DR THEOPHANOUS:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs—

- (1) Has the Immigration Parents category been capped at 500 visas per year
- (2) Does the cap include other family reunion categories, including brothers, sisters, nephews and nieces; if not, is there a cap on this group; if so, what is that cap.
- (3) Are there up to 20 000 applicants for the parent's category; if not, what is the figure.
- (4) How many applicants are there in other family reunion categories.

- (5) Does his current policy make it almost impossible for families to join together, especially Australian residents wishing to bring their parents to Australia; if not why not.

*997 **DR THEOPHANOUS:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs—

- (1) Will he provide a table showing the change that has occurred in the proportions of the various immigration categories since 1987.
- (2) Has there been a significant reduction in the Extended Family Reunion and Parent Categories relative to Independent categories.
- (3) Has his attention been drawn to the social consequences of a significant change in the balance between the categories; if so, what research has his Department carried out on this issue.
- (4) Will he act to re-balance the immigration program by providing a fair share for the family reunion categories; if not, why not.



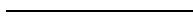
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SPEAKER'S PANEL

Mr Adams, Mr K. J. Andrews, Mr Causley, Mrs Crosio, Mrs Gash, Mr Hawker,
Mr Hollis, Mrs D. M. Kelly, Mr Mossfield, Mr Quick.



COMMITTEES

Unless otherwise shown, appointed for life of 39th Parliament

Standing

Pursuant to standing orders

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AFFAIRS: Mr Lieberman (*Chair*),
Mrs Draper, Mr Haase, Ms Hoare, Mr Katter, Mr Lloyd, Mr Melham, Mr Quick,
Mr Snowdon, Mr Wakelin.

COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORT AND THE ARTS: Mr Neville (*Chair*), Mr Gibbons,
Mr Hardgrave, Mr Hollis, Mr Jull, Mr Lindsay, Mr McArthur, Mr Mossfield,
Mr Murphy, Mr St Clair.

Current inquiries:

Impact of the decision by ABC Radio to discontinue its radio racing service.
Managing fatigue in transport.

ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: Mr Hawker (*Chair*), Mr Albanese, Ms Burke, Ms Gambaro, Mrs Hull, Mr Latham, Mr Pyne, Mr Somlyay, Dr Southcott, Mr Wilton.

Current inquiries:

ANAO audit report No. 37 1998-99 on the management of Tax File Numbers.

Australian Prudential Regulation Authority's supervision and prudential regulation of those areas of the financial services sector for which it is responsible.

International financial market effects on government policy.

EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS: Dr Nelson (*Chair*), Mr Barresi, Mr Bartlett, Dr Emerson, Ms Gambaro, Mrs Gash, Ms Gillard, Mr Katter, Mr Sawford, Mr Wilkie.

Current inquiries:

Employee share ownership in Australian enterprises.

Issues specific to older workers seeking employment, or establishing a business, following unemployment.

ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE: Mr Causley (*Chair*), Mr Barresi, Mr Bartlett, Mr Billson, Mrs Gallus, Ms Gerick, Mrs Irwin, Mr Jenkins, Dr Lawrence, Mrs D. S. Vale.

Current inquiry:

Catchment management.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS: Mr Wakelin (*Chair*), Mr K. J. Andrews, Mr Edwards, Ms Ellis, Mrs Elson, Ms Hall, Mrs D. M. Kelly, Dr Nelson, Mr Quick, Mr Schultz. (Mr Jenkins and Mr Nugent to serve as supplementary members for the purpose of the inquiry into indigenous health.)

Current inquiry:

Indigenous health.

HOUSE: The Speaker, Mr Charles, Mr Hollis, Mr McLeay, Mr Nehl, Mr Sawford, Mr Somlyay.

INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND RESOURCES: Mr Lloyd (*Chair*), Mr Brough, Mr Hatton, Mr Lawler, Mr Morris, Mr Nairn, Mr Prosser, Ms Roxon, Dr Washer, Mr Zahra.

Current inquiry:

Adding value to Australian raw materials.

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS: Mr K. J. Andrews (*Chair*), Ms J. I. Bishop, Mr Cadman, Mr Kerr, Ms Livermore, Mr Murphy, Mr Ronaldson, Ms Roxon, Mr St Clair, Mrs D. S. Vale.

Bill referred:

Copyright Amendment (Digital Agenda) Bill 1999. (*To report by 9 December 1999.*)

Current inquiries:

Enforcement of copyright.

Scientific, ethical and regulatory aspects of human cloning.

LIBRARY: The Speaker, Mr Adams, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Ms Hoare, Mr Lawler, Mr I. E. Macfarlane, Dr Washer.

MEMBERS' INTERESTS: Mr Somlyay (*Chair*), Mr K. J. Andrews, Mrs Crosio, Mr Jenkins, Mr Neville, Mr Nugent, Mr O'Keefe.

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND REGIONAL SERVICES: Fran Bailey (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Andren, Mr Horne, Mr Katter, Mr Lawler, Mr I. E. Macfarlane, Mr McLeay, Mr Nairn, Mr Secker, Mr Sidebottom, Mr C. P. Thompson. (Mr Griffin and Dr Washer to serve as supplementary members for the purpose of the inquiry into primary producer access to gene technology.)

Current inquiries:

Infrastructure and the development of Australia's regional areas.

Primary producer access to gene technology.

PRIVILEGES: Mr Somlyay (*Chair*), Mr K. J. Andrews, Mr Danby, Mr Jull, Mr McLeay, Mr McClelland (nominee of the Deputy Leader of the Opposition), Mrs May, Mr Neville, Mr Sawford, Mr Sercombe, Dr Southcott (nominee of the Leader of the House).

Current inquiry:

The status of records held by Members of the House of Representatives.

PROCEDURE: Mr Pyne (*Chair*), Mr Cameron, Mr M. J. Ferguson, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Ms Gerick, Mr Price.

Current inquiry:

Community involvement in the procedures and practices of the House of Representatives and its committees.

PUBLICATIONS: Mr Lieberman (*Chair*), Mr Hardgrave, Mrs Hull, Mr Lloyd, Ms J. S. McFarlane, Mr Rudd, Mr Sidebottom.

SELECTION: Mr Nehl (*Chair*), Mrs Elson, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Mr Hollis, Mr McArthur, Mr McLeay, Mr Neville, Mr Ronaldson, Mr Sawford, Mr Sercombe.

Joint Statutory

AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION: Mr Jull (*Presiding Member*), Mr Forrest, Mr McArthur, Mr McLeay, Senator Boswell, Senator Calvert, Senator Ray.

BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS: The Speaker, The President, Mr Adams, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Mr Lindsay, Mr Morris, Senator Knowles, Senator West.

CORPORATIONS AND SECURITIES: Ms J. I. Bishop, Mr Cameron, Mr Rudd, Mr Sercombe, Dr Southcott, Senator Chapman, Senator Conroy, Senator Cooney, Senator Gibson, Senator Murray.

NATIONAL CRIME AUTHORITY: Mr Nugent (*Chair*), Mr Edwards, Mr Hardgrave, Mr Kerr, Mr Somlyay, Senator George Campbell, Senator Denman, Senator Ferris, Senator McGauran, Senator Stott Despoja.

NATIVE TITLE AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND FUND: Senator Ferris (*Chair*), Mr Causley, Mr Haase, Mr Melham, Mr Secker, Mr Snowden, Senator Abetz, Senator Crossin, Senator McLucas, Senator Woodley.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT: Mr Charles (*Chair*), Mr K. J. Andrews, Mr Brough, Mr Cox, Mr Georgiou, Ms Gillard, Ms Plibersek, Mr St Clair, Mr Somlyay, Mr Tanner, Senator Coonan, Senator Faulkner, Senator Gibson, Senator Hogg, Senator Murray, Senator Watson.

Current inquiries:

Community Education and Information Programme.

Corporate governance and accountability arrangements for Commonwealth government business enterprises.

Review of Auditor-General's audit reports—

1997-98—Fourth quarter.

1998-99—

First and second quarters.

Third and fourth quarters.

Review of the *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997* and the *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997*.

PUBLIC WORKS: Mrs Moylan (*Chair*), Mrs Crosio, Mr Forrest, Mr Hollis, Mr Lindsay, Mr Ripoll, Senator Calvert, Senator Ferguson, Senator Murphy.

Current inquiries:

Clayton, Vic.—CSIRO Clayton (Eastern Precinct) Development Works.

Darwin—

Development of 90 apartments.

Housing development at Parap Grove.

Melbourne—Refurbishment of 4 Treasury Place.

Nowra, NSW—HMAS *Albatross* Stage 2 redevelopment.

St Lucia, Qld—CSIRO/University of Queensland joint building project.

Twofold Bay, NSW—Navy ammunition facility

Weston Creek, ACT—Staff Colleges collocation project.

Joint Standing

ELECTORAL MATTERS (*Formed 7 December 1998*): Mr Nairn (*Chair*), Mr Danby, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mr Forrest, Mr Somlyay, Senator Bartlett, Senator Boswell, Senator Faulkner, Senator Mason, Senator Murray.

Current inquiry:

Conduct of the 1998 federal election.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE (*Formed 7 December 1998*): Senator Ferguson, (*Chair*), Fran Bailey, Mr Baird, Mr Brereton, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mr Hawker, Mr Hollis, Mr Jull, Mrs D. M. Kelly, Mr Lieberman, Mr Martin, Mrs Moylan, Mr Nugent, Mr O'Keefe, Mr Price, Mr Prosser, Mr Pyne, Mr Snowden, Dr Southcott, Mr A. P. Thomson, Senator Bourne, Senator Brownhill, Senator Calvert, Senator Chapman, Senator Cook, Senator Gibbs, Senator Harradine, Senator O'Brien, Senator Payne, Senator Quirke, Senator Schacht.

Current inquiries:

Australia's efforts to promote and protect freedom of religion and belief.

Australia's trade and investment relationship with South America.

Suitability of the Australian Army for peacetime, peacekeeping and war.

MIGRATION (*Formed 7 December 1998*): Mrs Gallus (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Baird, Mrs Irwin, Mrs May, Mr Ripoll, Senator Bartlett, Senator Eggleston, Senator McKiernan, Senator Tierney.

Current inquiry:

Review of State-specific migration mechanisms.

NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES (*Formed 7 December 1998*): Senator Watson (*Chair*), Mr Cameron, Ms Ellis, Mr Nehl, Mr Neville, Mr Snowden, Mr Somlyay, Senator Crossin, Senator Greig, Senator Lightfoot, Senator Lundy.

TREATIES (*Formed 7 December 1998*): Mr A. P. Thomson (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Baird, Mr Bartlett, Mrs Crosio, Mrs Elson, Mr Hardgrave, Mrs D. M. Kelly, Mr Wilkie, Senator Bourne, Senator Coonan, Senator Cooney, Senator Ludwig, Senator Mason, Senator Schacht, Senator Tchen.

Current inquiries:

Agreement with the USA to further extend the Agreement relating to the Joint Defence Facility at Pine Gap.

Review of the proposal to terminate the Social Security Agreement with the United Kingdom.

Review of the new [second] revised text of the International Plant Protection Convention.

APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY BODIES

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AUSTRALIAN ARCHIVES: Mr Somlyay (*appointed 2 December 1998, for a period of 3 years*).

COUNCIL OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA: Mr M. J. Ferguson (*elected 12 August 1999, for a period of 3 years*).

PARLIAMENTARY RETIRING ALLOWANCES TRUST: Mr Charles (*appointed 24 June 1996*) and Mr McLeay (*appointed 23 November 1998*).

By authority of the House of Representatives