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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOTICE PAPER

No. 70

WEDNESDAY, 5 FEBRUARY 2003

*The House meets this day at 9.30 a.m.***GOVERNMENT BUSINESS****Notice**

- *1 **MR ABBOTT:** To move—That, unless otherwise ordered, standing order 344 be amended as follows for the remainder of the session:

Admission of visitors

344 When a committee or subcommittee is examining a witness, or engaged in other proceedings for the purpose of gathering information, visitors may be admitted. They shall withdraw if requested by the chair or if the committee or subcommittee resolves for their withdrawal. All visitors must withdraw when the committee or subcommittee is deliberating or taking evidence in camera.

Orders of the day

- *1 **IRAQ—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Dr Stone*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 2 **SEX DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT (PREGNANCY AND WORK) BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 13 December 2002, a.m.—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Ms Worth—That the Bill be now read a second time—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr McClelland, viz.—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst supporting the particular amendments proposed in the bill, the House calls on the Government to support all the legislative amendments and other actions necessary to give effect to the recommendations of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission in its report Pregnant and Productive: Its a right not a privilege to work while pregnant”.*
- 3 **CORPORATIONS AMENDMENT (REPAYMENT OF DIRECTORS' BONUSES) BILL 2002** (*Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 16 October 2002—Mr Melham*).
- 4 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (PROHIBITION OF COMPULSORY UNION FEES) BILL 2002 [NO. 2]** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2002—Dr Lawrence*).
- 5 **CUSTOMS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Snowdon*).
- 6 **SNOWY HYDRO CORPORATISATION AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002—Mr Cox*).
- 7 **MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (CONTRIBUTORY PARENTS MIGRATION SCHEME) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 5 December 2002—Mr Fitzgibbon*).
- 8 **MIGRATION (VISA APPLICATION) CHARGE AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 5 December 2002—Mr Fitzgibbon*).

* 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.

- 9 **TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 7) 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 23 October 2002—Mr Cox*).
- 10 **NATIONAL BLOOD AUTHORITY BILL 2002** (*Minister representing the Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002—Mr Cox*).
- 11 **FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister representing the Minister for Family and Community Services*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2002—Dr Lawrence*).
- 12 **INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND RESOURCES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 27 June 2002—Mr Edwards*).
- 13 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (SECRET BALLOTS FOR PROTECTED ACTION) BILL 2002 [NO. 2]** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 13 November 2002—Mr Melham*).
- 14 **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 27 June 2002—Mr Sidebottom*).
- 15 **HEALTH INSURANCE AMENDMENT (DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING, RADIATION ONCOLOGY AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2002** (*Minister representing the Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002—Mr Cox*).
- 16 **NEW BUSINESS TAX SYSTEM (CONSOLIDATION AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL (NO. 2) 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Snowdon*).
- 17 **NEW BUSINESS TAX SYSTEM (VENTURE CAPITAL DEFICIT TAX) BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Snowdon*).
- 18 **AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2002** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 29 May 2002—Dr Lawrence*).
- 19 **AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2002** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 20 **SUPERANNUATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (FAMILY LAW) BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 21 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 3) 2002-2003** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002—Mr Griffin*).
- 22 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 4) 2002-2003** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002—Mr Griffin*).
- 23 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (TRANSMISSION OF BUSINESS) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 21 March 2002—Mr Sidebottom*).
- 24 **COMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2002** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 27 June 2002—Mr Edwards*).
- 25 **ELECTORAL AND REFERENDUM AMENDMENT (ROLL INTEGRITY AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 14 March 2002—Mr Albanese*).
- 26 **MEDICAL INDEMNITY (PRUDENTIAL SUPERVISION AND PRODUCT STANDARDS) BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 27 **MEDICAL INDEMNITY (PRUDENTIAL SUPERVISION AND PRODUCT STANDARDS) (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).

- 28 **TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 8) 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 5 December 2002—Mr Fitzgibbon*).
- 29 **VETERANS' AFFAIRS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3) 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 5 December 2002—Mr Fitzgibbon*).
- 30 **THERAPEUTIC GOODS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 27 June 2002—Mr Edwards*).
- 31 **CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT (TERRORISM) BILL 2002** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 32 **TERRORISM INSURANCE BILL 2002** (*Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 33 **CORPORATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Snowdon*).
- 34 **CORPORATIONS (FEES) AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Snowdon*).
- 35 **CORPORATIONS (REVIEW FEES) BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Snowdon*).
- 36 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (IMPROVED REMEDIES FOR UNPROTECTED ACTION) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 26 June 2002—Mr Cox*).
- 37 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 13 November 2002—Mr Melham*).
- 38 **WHEAT MARKETING AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 39 **DESIGNS BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002—Mr Cox*).
- 40 **DESIGNS (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002—Mr Cox*).
- 41 **SUPERANNUATION INDUSTRY (SUPERVISION) AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister for Trade*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Snowdon*).
- 42 **SUPERANNUATION (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FUNDING) LEVY AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Snowdon*).
- 43 **MURRAY-DARLING BASIN AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 19 September 2002—Mr Albanese*).
- 44 **SUPERANNUATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (CHOICE OF SUPERANNUATION FUNDS) BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 27 June 2002—Mr Edwards*).
- 45 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (CHOICE IN AWARD COVERAGE) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 13 November 2002—Mr Melham*).
- 46 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (AWARD SIMPLIFICATION) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 13 November 2002—Mr Melham*).
- 47 **SEX DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 27 June 2002—Mr Edwards*).
- 48 **COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL AMENDMENT (MEMBERS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES) BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 49 **MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (PROTECTED INFORMATION) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).

- 50 **NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (CUSTOMS) LEVY AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 51 **NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (EXCISE) LEVY AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 52 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (SIMPLIFYING AGREEMENT-MAKING) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 26 June 2002—Mr Cox*).
- 53 **OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY (COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT) AMENDMENT (EMPLOYEE INVOLVEMENT AND COMPLIANCE) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 26 June 2002—Mr Cox*).
- 54 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (IMPROVED PROTECTION FOR VICTORIAN WORKERS) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 21 March 2002—Mr Sidebottom*).
- 55 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (FAIR TERMINATION) BILL 2002**: Consideration of Senate's amendments (*from 13 December 2002, a.m.*).
- 56 **RENEWABLE ENERGY (ELECTRICITY) AMENDMENT BILL 2002**: Consideration of Senate's amendments (*from 13 December 2002, a.m.*).
- 57 **INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF TAXATION BILL 2002**: Consideration of Senate's amendments (*from 13 December 2002, a.m.*).
- *58 **MIGRATION AGENTS REGISTRATION AUTHORITY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.
- *59 **INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE GAP COVER SCHEMES—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.
- *60 **CENTRAL LAND COUNCIL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.
- *61 **GENE TECHNOLOGY REGULATOR—QUARTERLY REPORT FOR 1 JULY TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2002—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.
- *62 **TOBACCO ADVERTISING PROHIBITION ACT—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.
- *63 **ANNUAL REPORTS OF ADVISORY PANEL ON MARKETING IN AUSTRALIA OF INFANT FORMULA—CORRIGENDA—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS**: Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.
- *64 **GOLDFIELDS LAND AND SEA COUNCIL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.
- *65 **QUEENSLAND SOUTH REPRESENTATIVE BODY ABORIGINAL CORPORATION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.
- *66 **FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2002—CORRECTION TO EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.
- 67 **PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 68 **TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT (EARLIER ACCESS TO FARM MANAGEMENT DEPOSITS) BILL 2002—CORRECTIONS TO EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Tuckey—That the House take note of the paper.

- 69 **EXPORT MARKET DEVELOPMENT GRANTS—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 70 **NATIONAL ROAD TRANSPORT COMMISSION—ERRATUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 71 **AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE—DATA-MATCHING PROGRAM—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 72 **STATES GRANTS (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) ACT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 73 **MANAGING MIGRATION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2002—Mr Ruddock*) on the motion of Mr Williams—That the House take note of the paper.
- 74 **OFFICE OF THE EMPLOYMENT ADVOCATE—ERRATUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 75 **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 76 **MID-YEAR ECONOMIC REVIEW AND FISCAL OUTLOOK 2002-2003—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 77 **CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—2001-2002—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 78 **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—ERRATUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 79 **HEALTH SERVICES AUSTRALIA—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 80 **MEDIBANK PRIVATE—STATEMENT OF CORPORATE INTENT 2002-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 81 **COMPANIES AUDITORS AND LIQUIDATORS DISCIPLINARY BOARD—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 82 **OFFICE OF THE EMPLOYMENT ADVOCATE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 November 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 83 **COMMONWEALTH OMBUDSMAN—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 November 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 84 **ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS TRIBUNAL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 October 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 85 **DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—REPORT—VOLUME 1—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 October 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 86 **DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—REPORT—VOLUME 2—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 October 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.

- 87 **SOCIAL SECURITY APPEALS TRIBUNAL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 October 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 88 **CENTRELINK—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 22 October 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 89 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 29 August 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 90 **TARIFF PROPOSALS** (*Mr Slipper*):
- Customs Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2002)—*moved 29 May 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Dr Lawrence*).
 - Customs Tariff Proposals No. 2 (2002)—*moved 26 June 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Cox*).
 - Customs Tariff Proposals No. 3 (2002)—*moved 16 September 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Mr K. J. Thomson*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2002)—*moved 21 February 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Zahra*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 2 (2002)—*moved 29 May 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Dr Lawrence*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 3 (2002)—*moved 26 June 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Cox*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 4 (2002)—*moved 16 September 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Mr K. J. Thomson*).
- 91 **PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS BROADCASTING AMENDMENT BILL 2002:** Second reading (*from 12 February 2002*).

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.

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS

Orders of the day

- 1 **NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—NORFOLK ISLAND ELECTORAL MATTERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 August 2002—Mr Neville, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Neville—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 10 February 2003.*)
- 2 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—47TH REPORT—TREATIES TABLED ON 18 AND 25 JUNE 2002—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 August 2002—Ms J. I. Bishop, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms J. I. Bishop—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 10 February 2003.*)
- 3 **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT 390—REVIEW OF AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORTS 2001-2002—FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD QUARTERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 August 2002—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 the next sitting Monday after 10 February 2003.*)
- 4 **PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—PAPER—PROPOSED REVISED STANDING ORDERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 16 September 2002—Mr Price, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Price—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 2 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.)

- 5 **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT 391—REVIEW OF INDEPENDENT AUDITING BY REGISTERED COMPANY AUDITORS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 September 2002—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 10 February 2003.*)
- 6 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON ANNUAL REPORTS 2000-2001—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 September 2002—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 3 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 7 **ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA ANNUAL REPORT 2000-2001—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 September 2002—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 3 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 8 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON PLANNING, PREPARING AND PROFITING FROM TRADE AND INVESTMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 October 2002—Mr Baird, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Baird—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 10 February 2003.*)
- 9 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON WATCHING BRIEF ON TERRORISM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 October 2002—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 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 10 **NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON DRAFT AMENDMENT 39 OF NATIONAL CAPITAL PLAN—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 October 2002—Mr Neville, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Neville—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 10 February 2003.*)
- 11 **COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON WIRELESS BROADBAND TECHNOLOGIES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 2002—Mr Pyne, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Pyne—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 6 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 12 **ELECTORAL MATTERS—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON INTEGRITY OF ELECTORAL ROLL—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 2002—Mr Georgiou, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Georgiou—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 6 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 13 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—49TH REPORT—TIMOR SEA TREATY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 2002—Ms J. I. Bishop, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms J. I. Bishop—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 6 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 14 **ASIO, ASIS AND DSD—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT FOR 2001-2002—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2002—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 10 February 2003.*)
- 15 **TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON ASPECTS OF INTELLIGENT TRANSPORT SYSTEMS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2002—Mr Neville, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Neville—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 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)



PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**Notices given for Wednesday, 5 February 2003**

*1 **MS BURKE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that statistics may not reveal the true extent of the unemployment problem for the over 45's;
- (2) notes the additional impediments to gaining employment following the loss of a job for those aged over 45;
- (3) notes the lack of opportunities for the older worker to change career paths and consider education and retraining before attempting to re-enter the workforce. The skills and knowledge of the older worker also need to keep pace with change so as to not alienate them from the workforce;
- (4) acknowledges the benefit to employers of older workers as they generally demonstrate a greater commitment to a good employer and show competence in their dealings with customers; and
- (5) calls on the Government to put in place policies that are more specific in tackling mature-age unemployment and that remove age-based discrimination and access to the labour market. (*Notice given 4 February 2003.*)

*2 **MS BURKE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the recent successes of notable employer groups in negotiating with their employees to provide extended unpaid leave, term time work, flexible roster systems and leave arrangements to suit family responsibilities; and
- (2) calls on the Government to encourage and provide incentives for all Australian employers to extend such practices into more industries and working environments. (*Notice given 4 February 2003*)

*3 **MS BURKE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges that trade apprenticeships continue to have low retention rates and strategies need to be put in place to improve these outcomes;
- (2) notes the importance of relevance and quality of training for existing workers as well as new entrants, and that the content and coverage of training needs to keep pace with the rapid rate of technological change;
- (3) notes that the age demographic changes will mean stagnation of 15 to 24 year olds in the population; alternative pathways such as the VET system are being considered to attract older participants; and
- (4) acknowledges that training methods may need to broaden the skills of the individual to provide more options for better career prospects. (*Notice given 4 February 2003.*)

*4 **MS O'BYRNE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges that medical practices and individual general practitioners are advising veteran patients that they will no longer be able to recognise the gold card when charging them for medical services;
- (2) acknowledges that veterans are entitled to receive adequate and appropriate medical care in view of their service to this country;
- (3) notes that many practices and practitioners, in particular those with a high percentage of veteran patients, are struggling to provide acceptable levels of medical care and service, given the rebates and fees currently available to them; and
- (4) calls upon the Government to immediately negotiate with medical practitioners to ensure that an appropriate agreement is in place to enable doctors to provide adequate levels of care to gold card recipients. (*Notice given 4 February 2003.*)

*5 **MR DANBY:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises the environmental impact the 6.4 billion plastic bags used in Australia annually have on our environment;
- (2) notes the incredible success of the new plastic bag levy, introduced in Ireland on 4 March 2002; and
- (3) calls on the Government to introduce a similar plastic bag levy in Australia in order to reduce plastic bag usage and create a recurrent fund for environmental projects. (*Notice given 4 February 2003*)

*6 **MR K. J THOMSON:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act 1975* to provide for an extension of the boundaries of the Great Barrier Reef region. (*Notice given 4 February 2003.*)

Notices

- 1 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the following amendments to the standing orders be made:
 - (1) Insert after standing order 61:

“**62** Unless moving the second reading of a bill or unless leave of the House is given, a Member may not read his or her speech.”
 - (2) Insert after standing order 84:

“**84A** Notwithstanding any other provisions of the standing orders and subject to the discretion of the Chair, a Member may ask a Member making a speech to allow the Member to ask a question or make a comment relevant to the Member’s speech.”

“**84B** A Minister moving the second reading of a bill received from the Senate may have the terms of his or her speech on the bill incorporated in *Hansard*.”
 - (3) Standing order 101:
 - (a) After the provisions under “*Tuesday*”, insert:

“*Wednesday*:

1. Notices and orders of the day. 2. Members’ statements (at approximately 1.45 p.m.). 3. Questions without notice (at 2 p.m.). 4. Presentation of petitions. 5. Ministerial statements, by leave. 6. Matter of public importance. 7. Notices and orders of the day.
 - (b) Omit “*Wednesday and Thursday*”, substitute “*Thursday*”:
 - (4) Standing order 106A:

After “*Monday*”, insert “and *Wednesday*”.
 - (5) After standing order 111:

“**111A** Before the end of each period of sittings, the Speaker must present to the House a list showing the Ministers who have made ministerial statements since the last tabling of such a list, the subject of each statement, the time taken and the time taken by any other Members speaking in response to the statements” (*Notice given 28 June 2002, a.m. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on 10 February 2003.*)
- 2 **MS GAMBARO:** To move—That:
 - (1) this House calls on the Government to fund a national co-ordinated study into Parkinson’s disease due to the increase in the number of sufferers estimated to be 80,000 at present and the lack of comprehensive data on Parkinson’s disease for more than 40 years;
 - (2) the study determine:
 - (a) the number of sufferers;
 - (b) how the disease affects sufferers and their carers; and
 - (c) how much the disease costs the Australian community; and
 - (3) the Government continues to place healthy ageing as a priority and that a national prevalence study of Parkinson’s disease will aid in better treatment of the disease and assist in understanding the impact on future health budgets. (*Notice given 21 August 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on 10 February 2003.*)
- 3 **MR PRICE:** To move—
 - (1) That standing order 28B be amended by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph (b):
 - (*ba*) annual and additional estimates contained in the appropriation bills presented to the House shall stand referred for consideration by Members of the relevant committee (as determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (b) for the consideration of annual reports), and, for the purposes of this consideration:
 - (i) six Members of each committee, determined by the committee in each case, shall consider the estimates;
 - (ii) the Members of the committee selected to consider the estimates shall meet with Members of the relevant Senate legislation committee so that the Members and Senators may meet together for the purposes of considering the estimates;

- (iii) members of the relevant House and Senate committees, when meeting together to consider estimates, shall choose a Member or a Senator to chair the joint meetings;
 - (iv) the provisions of Senate standing order 26 shall, to the extent that they are applicable, apply to the consideration of estimates under this paragraph; and
 - (v) that, upon the completion of joint meetings at which evidence is received or written answers or additional information considered, it shall then be a matter for the Members of the relevant committee to consider the terms of any report to the House on the estimates.
- (2) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly. (*Notice given 17 October 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

4 MR PRICE: To move—

- (1) That a Standing Committee on Appropriations and Staffing be appointed to inquire into:
 - (a) proposals for the annual estimates and the additional estimates for the House of Representatives;
 - (b) proposals to vary the staff structure of the House of Representatives, and staffing and recruitment policies; and
 - (c) such other matters as are referred to it by the House;
- (2) That the committee shall:
 - (a) in relation to estimates—
 - (i) determine the amounts for inclusion in the parliamentary appropriation bills for the annual and the additional appropriations; and
 - (ii) report to the House upon its determinations prior to the consideration by the House of the relevant parliamentary appropriation bill; and
 - (b) in relation to staffing—
 - (i) make recommendations to the Speaker; and
 - (ii) report to the House on its determinations prior to the consideration by the House of the relevant parliamentary appropriation bill;
- (3) That the committee consist of the Speaker and 11 other members, 6 members to be nominated by the Chief Government Whip or Whips and 5 members to be nominated by the Chief Opposition Whip or Whips or any independent Member;
- (4) That the committee elect a Government member as its chair;
- (5) That the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall act as chair of the committee at any time when the chair is not present at a meeting of the committee, and at any time when the chair and deputy chair are not present at a meeting of the committee the members present shall elect another member to act as chairman at that meeting;
- (6) That the committee have power to appoint subcommittees consisting of 3 or more of its members and to refer to any subcommittee any matter which the committee is empowered to examine;
- (7) That the committee appoint the chair of each subcommittee who shall have a casting vote only, and at any time when the chair of a subcommittee is not present at a meeting of the subcommittee the members of the subcommittee present shall elect another member of that subcommittee to act as chair at that meeting;
- (8) That the quorum of a subcommittee be a majority of the members of that subcommittee;
- (9) That members of the committee who are not members of a subcommittee may participate in the public proceedings of that subcommittee but shall not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum;
- (10) That the committee or any subcommittee have power to send for persons, papers and records;
- (11) That the committee or any subcommittee have power to move from place to place;
- (12) That a subcommittee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any sittings or adjournment of the House;
- (13) That the committee have leave to report from time to time; and
- (14) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders. (*Notice given 17 October 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

- 5 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the standing orders be amended by amending standing order 94 to read as follows:

Closure of Member

94 A motion may be made that a Member who is speaking, except a Member giving a notice of motion or formally moving the terms of a motion allowed under the standing orders or speaking to a motion of dissent (from any ruling of the Speaker under standing order 100), “be not further heard”, and such question shall be put forthwith and decided without amendment or debate. (*Notice given 17 October 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

- 6 **MR PRICE:** To move—That standing order 129 be omitted and the following standing order substituted:

Presentation of petitions

129 At the time provided for the presentation of petitions, the following arrangements shall apply to the presentation of petitions certified to be in conformity with the standing orders:

- (a) in respect of each petition, the petitioner, or one of the petitioners, may present the petition to the House by standing at the Bar of the House and reading to the House the prayer of the petition, and
- (b) where a petitioner is not able to present the petition in accordance with paragraph (a) of this standing order, the Member who has lodged the petition may present it to the House by reading to the House the prayer of the petition. (*Notice given 17 October 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

- 7 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the standing orders be amended by inserting the following standing order after standing order 143:

Questions to committee chairs

143A Questions may be put to a Member in his or her capacity as Chair of a committee of the House, or of a joint committee, in connection with the work or duties of the committee in question. (*Notice given 17 October 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

- 8 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the standing orders be amended by inserting the following standing order after standing order 145:

Questions without notice—Time limits

145A During question time:

- (a) the asking of each question may not exceed 1 minute and the answering of each question may not exceed 4 minutes;
- (b) the asking of each supplementary question may not exceed 1 minute and the answering of each supplementary question may not exceed 1 minute; and
- (c) the time taken to make and determine points of order is not to be regarded as part of the time for questions and answers. (*Notice given 17 October 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

- 9 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the following amendment to the standing orders be adopted for the remainder of this session:

Questions from citizens

148A (a) A Member may give notice of a question in terms proposed by a person who lives in the Member’s electoral division.

- (b) Notice of a question given under this standing order may show the name of the person who has proposed the question.
- (c) A Member may not give more than 25 notices of questions under this sessional order in a calendar year.
- (d) Nothing in this standing order may be taken to mean that a Member must give notice of a question proposed to the Member by a person who lives in the Member’s electoral division. (*Notice given 17 October 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

- 10 **MR PRICE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) refers to the Standing Committee on Procedure the draft Framework of Ethical Principles for Members and Senators and the draft Framework of Ethical Principles for Ministers and Presiding Officers dated 1995;

- (2) seeks advice from the Procedure Committee as to the continuing validity or otherwise of the drafts; and
- (3) requests the Procedure Committee to confer with the Procedure Committee of the Senate in its consideration of these matters. (*Notice given 17 October 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 11 **MR PRICE:** To move—That standing order 145 be omitted and the following standing orders be adopted:
- 145A** The answer to a question without notice shall be relevant and:
- (a) shall be concise and confined to the subject matter of the question;
- (b) shall relate to public affairs with which the Minister is officially connected, to proceedings in the House, or to any other matter of administration for which the Minister is responsible; and
- (c) shall not debate the subject to which the question refers.
- 145B** The standing orders that apply to the asking of a question without notice shall generally apply to the answer.
- 145C** An answer to a question on notice shall be relevant to the question and shall be provided to the Member who asked the question within 30 days. (*Notice given 17 October 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 12 **MR PEARCE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) recognises the importance and value of all children learning music as part of their school education;
- (2) appreciates how the learning of music can provide additional benefits to a child's overall academic and educational development;
- (3) acknowledges the significant contribution and effort that people from all walks of life make to their local communities through music and arts initiatives, particularly those that support our youth;
- (4) recognises the positive link between the wellbeing of our youth and their appreciation and active participation in music activities; and
- (5) calls on the Government through the Ministerial Council on Education, Employment, Training and Youth Affairs (MCEETYA) to actively support and encourage:
- (a) an increased presence and heightened importance of learning music within the various education curricula throughout Australia; and
- (b) an increase in funding for school music education programs from respective State and Territory governments. (*Notice given 23 October 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 13 **MR ALBANESE:** To move—That the House recognises that no holder of a public office in Australia should be above parliamentary scrutiny and as such standing order 74 should be amended to allow the performance of the highest office in the nation, the Governor-General, to be debated by the democratically elected Members of the House of Representatives. (*Notice given 11 November 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 14 **MS GILLARD:** To move—That this House:
- (1) acknowledges the historic action of the Holt Government, with bipartisan support from the Australian Labor Party, in initiating the dismantling of the White Australia Policy;
- (2) recognises that since 1973, successive Labor and Liberal/National Party Governments have, with bipartisan support, pursued a racially non-discriminatory immigration policy to the overwhelming national, and international, benefit of Australia; and
- (3) gives its unambiguous and unqualified commitment to the principle that, whatever criteria are applied by Australian Governments in exercising their sovereign right to determine the composition of the immigration intake, race or ethnic origin shall never, explicitly or implicitly, be among them. (*Notice given 11 November 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 15 **MR BEVIS:** To move—That this House:
- (1) establish a committee consisting of four Government Members and three Opposition Members to review the oaths of allegiance and affirmation for Members of the House and recommend to the Parliament a new oath and affirmation that reflects our unique Australian history and our multicultural society and includes a pledge of loyalty to Australia and its people and our democratic institutions and traditions; and

- (2) require the committee to seek public comment on a new oath and affirmation and include recommendations on procedures and a timetable to be followed in making these changes. (*Notice given 12 November 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 16 **MR JOHNSON** To move—That this House:
- (1) recognises and celebrates 30 years of diplomatic relations between Australia and the People’s Republic of China;
 - (2) acknowledges the critical importance and value of the Australia-China relationship in the broad Asia-Pacific region; and
 - (3) confirms Australia’s support of the “One-China” policy. (*Notice given 2 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 17 **MR SCHULTZ:** To move—That, this year being the 50th anniversary of an historic event which led to the early development of the giant Pilbara iron ore discovery in Western Australia, this House:
- (1) calls on the Government to recognise the memorable flight on 22 November 1952, when Lang Hancock observed vast iron ore deposits in The Pilbara whilst flying in adverse weather accompanied by his wife Hope;
 - (2) acknowledges the significant personal contribution Lang Hancock made in difficult circumstances in developing the mineral potential of this incredibly rich province – The Pilbara; and
 - (3) pays tribute to this great Australian pioneer, who against all odds proved that if you have the vision you can achieve the impossible against seemingly insurmountable odds. (*Notice given 2 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 18 **MS O’BYRNE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes the pivotal role undertaken by the Australian Maritime College in providing maritime education and research;
 - (2) further notes the high standard of training the College provides overseas students; and
 - (3) calls upon the Government to act immediately to honour its election commitment regarding university status for the College. (*Notice given 2 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 19 **MS O’BYRNE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes with concern the increase in the rise of piracy in the maritime industry; and
 - (2) calls upon the Government to ensure that the current discussions on maritime security are also seen as an opportunity for finding solutions to the piracy problem. (*Notice given 2 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 20 **MS O’BYRNE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) recognises the role of the merchant fleet in national defence strategy; and
 - (2) calls upon the Government to ensure a policy framework that allows a sustainable environment for the Australian merchant shipping industry in order to maintain the “fourth arm of defence”. (*Notice given 2 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 21 **MS C. F. KING:** To move—That this House:
- (1) recognises that the battle at the Eureka Stockade represents a turning point in Australia’s development as a nation, especially in the right of people to have a say in how we are governed;
 - (2) notes that it is 148 years since this important battle took place;
 - (3) recognises that the Eureka Flag remains an important symbol of the development of democratic government in Australia; and
 - (4) calls on the Government to take steps to have the Eureka Flag proclaimed as an official flag of Australia under the provisions of the *Flags Act 1953*. (*Notice given 3 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

- 22 **MR KERR:** To move—That this House conveys to the Ambassador of the United States of America its:
- (1) concern at the ongoing detention, without charge or trial, of two Australian citizens in Guantanamo Bay; and
 - (2) request that the United States of America advises what processes will be put in place to allow the detained Australians to be put on trial or to be released. (*Notice given 4 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 23 **MS C. F. KING:** To move—That this House:
- (1) recognises the importance of the Western Highway to the economic well-being of the towns and cities along the highway;
 - (2) recognises that traffic congestion has increased with the development of housing estates at Deer Park, Burnside and Caroline Springs;
 - (3) acknowledges that the Western Highway has suffered from sustained financial neglect that has in turn compromised the safety and integrity of the road;
 - (4) further acknowledges that since 1998 there has been a total of 543 collisions on the Ballarat Highway between Anthony's Cutting and the Western Ring Road with 14 resulting in fatalities and 254 collisions resulting in serious injuries; and
 - (5) calls on the Government to take steps to upgrade the Western Highway, including a commitment to the freeway standard link between the Western Highway and the Western Ring Road (Deer Park Bypass. (*Notice given 9 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*))
- 24 **MS HALL:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes the Government's failure to deliver employment services that meet the needs of long term unemployed people; and
 - (2) notes the ineffectiveness of the Job Network in assisting the long term unemployed re-enter the workforce. (*Notice given 9 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 25 **MS HALL:** To move—That this House calls on the Government to:
- (1) address the rapid decline in bulk billing;
 - (2) ensure an equal distribution of, and access to, health services for all Australians; and
 - (3) ensure that quality health care is available to all Australians, not only those who can afford it. (*Notice given 9 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 26 **MS HALL:** To move—That this House:
- (1) recognises that Australia has an ageing population; and
 - (2) calls on the Government to:
 - (a) address the chronic shortage of aged care beds;
 - (b) resolve the issues surrounding phantom beds;
 - (c) provide more community care packages;
 - (d) ensure that aged care resources are located in areas of greatest need; and
 - (e) provide positive initiatives to improve the quality of life of older Australians. (*Notice given 9 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 27 **MS HALL:** To move—That this House calls on the Government to:
- (1) recognise the special needs of persons suffering from Acquired Brain Injury (ABI);
 - (2) provide disability specific services that recognise the special needs of people suffering from ABI; and
 - (3) introduce programs specifically designed to meet the needs of people suffering from ABI. (*Notice given 9 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 28 **MR BAIRD:** To move—That this House:
- (1) takes note of recent progress towards a Free Trade Agreement with the United States of America;
 - (2) welcomes the increased opportunities the agreement will bring to Australia and Australian producers;

- (3) congratulates the Government on the significant achievement of bringing this initiative closer to reality; and
- (4) continues to place priority on working to negotiate free trade agreements that compliment the work of the WTO and APEC. (*Notice given 11 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 29 **MRS CROSIO:** To move—That this House calls on the Government to:
- (1) sign and ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), considering 75 states have signed the Optional Protocol, and of those 75 states, 47 have ratified the Optional Protocol.;
- (2) actively seek membership of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), of which Australia was a member from 1983 until 1990, and again from 1993 until 1996;
- (3) ratify the revision of the Maternity Protection Convention (ILO No. 183), dated June 2000, which called for a minimum of 14 weeks paid maternity leave; and
- (4) as a priority, establish a system of paid maternity leave for all Australian working women. (*Notice given 12 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 30 **MS PLIBERSEK:** To move—That this House:
- (1) expresses its sympathy to the McCabe children, who lost their mother to lung cancer and their father to a heart attack;
- (2) notes that before her death Mrs McCabe was the first Australian to win a court case against a major tobacco company for causing lung cancer;
- (3) notes that the tobacco company—British American Tobacco Australia—has won legal action to have the case overturned, and despite the fact the McCabe children have repaid the money and agreed to pay \$27,500 in interest, will pursue them for many millions of dollars of legal costs;
- (4) notes that the children may have to sell their \$180,000 home to pay the legal costs;
- (5) calls on British American Tobacco Australia to withdraw its claim for legal costs; and
- (6) calls on tobacco companies to cease their unprincipled tactics to recruit new smokers. (*Notice given 12 December 2002. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 31 **MS PLIBERSEK:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes that the percentage of Australian children who are overweight or obese is increasing; and
- (2) commits itself to promoting measures to increase fitness and encourage healthy lifestyles. (*Notice given 13 December 2002, a.m. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 32 **MS PLIBERSEK:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes the plans of Airservices Australia to remove air traffic controllers from Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport and consolidate terminal control units at Sydney, Perth and Adelaide into Airservices Australia's centre in Melbourne;
- (2) is concerned that no proper safety case has yet been prepared; and
- (3) is concerned about the loss of local knowledge caused by the transfer of air traffic controllers to an interstate location. (*Notice given 13 December 2002, a.m. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 33 **MS PLIBERSEK:** To move—That this House:
- (1) recognises the importance of breastfeeding for the health of babies and children; and
- (2) notes the responsibility that governments, the community and employers have to facilitate and encourage breastfeeding. (*Notice given 13 December 2002, a.m. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 34 **MS PLIBERSEK:** To move—That this House notes with concern that there is strong evidence that there are Australian citizens who have committed war crimes overseas. (*Notice given 13 December 2002, a.m. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

Orders of the day

- 1 **ILLEGAL FISHING:** Resumption of debate (*from 19 August 2002—Ms Grierson, in continuation*) on the motion of Mrs Moylan—That this House:
- (1) condemns the action of foreign nationals:
 - (a) illegally fishing in the Heard Island and McDonald Zone and stealing an estimated 2,000 tons of Patagonian tooth fish per month;
 - (b) for their flagrant disregard for the sovereignty of Australia's exclusive economic zone;
 - (c) for decimating an endangered species of albatross and other seabirds by using illegal fishing methods, flouting Australian and international environment regulations; and
 - (d) for threatening the future of the species in the area and the commercial sustainability of the Patagonian tooth fish fishery;
 - (2) notes that the Australian fishing industry is limited to catching 2,815 tons of Patagonian tooth fish this year;
 - (3) notes that if this practice continues, it threatens the estimated \$30 million earned annually by the Australian fishing industry, puts at risk the direct employment of approximately 120 people and the indirect employment of approximately 500 people;
 - (4) commends the Australian Government for its decision to propose the listing of Patagonian tooth fish on schedule two of the Convention in International Trade and Endangered Flora and Fauna;
 - (5) commends the Australian Government for its previous successful apprehension by the Australian Navy of several illegal foreign fishing vessels; and
 - (6) in light of the continuing serious breaches, calls on the Government to further strengthen action to prevent any further illegal incursions of our southern Exclusive Economic Zone by:
 - (a) continuing naval action to apprehend those responsible for this illegal action;
 - (b) implementing a civilian surveillance patrol with an armed boarding capacity;
 - (c) substantially increasing the financial penalties to a level that deters future offences;
 - (d) working closely with the Australian fishing industry to strengthen surveillance and apprehend offenders;
 - (e) seeking further co-operation with the French Government whose territorial integrity is similarly threatened;
 - (f) pursuing offenders through dialogue with various countries where operations supporting illegal fishing are based; and
 - (g) ensuring Australian territorial integrity is maintained. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 10 February 2003.*)
- 2 **GENERAL PRACTITIONERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 19 August 2002—Mr Bartlett, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms Hall—That this House:
- (1) condemns the Howard Government for failing to address:
 - (a) the shortage of general practitioners in regional, rural and outer metropolitan areas; and
 - (b) the decline in general practitioners bulk billing in these areas; and
 - (2) calls on the Howard Government to immediately implement a strategy to address the decline and shortages. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 10 February 2003.*)
- 3 **GREAT APES:** Resumption of debate (*from 19 August 2002*) on the motion of Mr Hawker—That this House:
- (1) notes with alarm the serious decline in the population of the Great Apes—gorillas, bonobos, orangutans and chimpanzees, which could lead to their extinction in the next 10 years;
 - (2) recognises that habitat destruction due to illegal logging, mining and associated activities including poaching, are all contributing to this threat of extinction;
 - (3) acknowledges that war, civil unrest and a breakdown in law and order also contribute to the problems in many of these habitat areas;
 - (4) notes Australian Government participation, principally through zoos and also with the Humane Society International, in the conservation of the Great Apes;

- (5) notes the support of the UK Government for the Great Apes Survival Project, which is backed by the UN Environment Programme; and
- (6) calls on the Federal Government to increase its support for the efforts of the UN Environment Programme to help save the Great Apes. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 10 February 2003.*)
- 4 **LOCAL LIBRARIES:** Resumption of debate (*from 19 August 2002*) on the motion of Mr Latham—That this House:
- (1) the role of Australia’s 1700 municipal libraries in providing information services and community-based learning throughout the nation;
- (2) Federal responsibility for assisting the development of the local library network, especially with new IT services; and
- (3) ensuring the National Library of Australia’s Kinetica database is affordable for local libraries. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 10 February 2003.*)
- 5 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (UNFAIR DISMISSAL—LOWER COSTS, SIMPLER PROCEDURES) BILL 2002** (*Mr Crean*): Second reading (*from 26 August 2002*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 10 February 2003.*)
- 6 **KOKODA:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 August 2002*) on the motion of Mr Barresi—That this House:
- (1) expresses its gratitude to the “Heroes of Kokoda” as we reflect upon the 60th anniversary of the Battles to Save Australia, and accordingly give due honour and respect to the memory of these heroes by:
- (a) supporting the development of the Kokoda Track as a National Memorial Park, which will ensure it remains a historical, cultural and commemorative experience for all Australians; and
- (b) establishing a joint Australian and Papua New Guinean Master Plan under the guidance of Australian Government and local PNG Provincial government personnel;
- (2) expresses support of the Government’s commitment of \$1.5 million for the establishment of 3 memorials in Papua New Guinea, one of which will be constructed at Isurava to commemorate the Battle at Kokoda; and
- (3) calls on all Australians in this the 60th anniversary month to commemorate the sacrifice of all servicemen who participated in the battles along the Kokoda Track by:
- (a) inaugurating a National Day of Remembrance celebrated both in Australia and at Owers Corner, PNG;
- (b) congratulating the Australian Football League, the members, supporters and administrators of the Sydney Swans and Richmond Tigers for their annual commemorative game at Stadium Australia, honouring the Spirit of Kokoda; and
- (c) supporting the establishment of a Fuzzy Wuzzy Angel Scholarship Foundation to educate the sons and daughters of the Kokoda Trail Villagers as a sign of our nation’s gratitude for the selfless sacrifice of the local people during the campaign. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 10 February 2003.*)
- 7 **CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 August 2002*) on the motion of Ms Plibersek—That this House:
- (1) recognises the physical, emotional and psychological damage caused by child sexual abuse;
- (2) recognises that in every state in Australia adults who have sexual relations with teenagers under the age of 16 are committing a criminal offence, and there are no excuses for this behaviour;
- (3) commits itself to providing a safe environment for every child in Australia;
- (4) commits itself to playing a role in ending sexual abuse of children overseas; and
- (5) commits itself to acknowledging and seeking to mend the harm done to victims of child sexual abuse. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 10 February 2003.*)
- 8 **MAMMARY PROSTHESES:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 August 2002*) on the motion of Ms Vamvakinou—That this House:
- (1) notes the recommendation of the February 1995 report of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Community Affairs to amend the Medicare rebate schedule to include the provision of mammary prostheses;

- (2) recognises that estimates of women undergoing breast cancer surgery in Australia approach 1000 per month with more than one-third requiring a mastectomy;
 - (3) recognises the ongoing cost (financial, physical and emotional) of wearing required prostheses and shell/breast forms and acknowledges the strain on muscles and posture following the loss of a breast or a significant part of the breast;
 - (4) recognises the ongoing cost of prostheses and acknowledges that there is no Commonwealth Government scheme to lessen the financial burden faced by women following breast surgery for those in need of prosthetics;
 - (5) notes *The Canberra Times* article “Dead women’s breast prostheses resold” appearing on 3 June 2002 detailing the reuse of mammary prostheses amongst breast cancer patients facing financial hardship;
 - (6) calls on the Government to provide mammary prostheses through the Medicare rebate schedule; and
 - (7) condemns the Government over budget measures where the sickest and poorest Australians and families will be hit with an increase of almost 30% in the cost of their essential medicines. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 10 February 2003.*)
- 9 **TOBACCO EXCISE WINDFALL RECOVERY (ASSESSMENT) BILL 2002** (*Mr S. F. Smith*): Second reading (*from 16 September 2002*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 10 **BROADBAND SERVICES**: Resumption of debate (*from 16 September 2002—Mr Hunt, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Mossfield—That this House:
- (1) acknowledges that:
 - (a) quality access to the Internet and to information technology in general is becoming a necessity, rather than a luxury, in modern Australian society; and
 - (b) infrastructure is not keeping pace with technological advancements, particularly in new and developing suburbs on the outer metropolitan fringe of Australia’s capital cities;
 - (2) notes that:
 - (a) Telstra and Optus discontinued its cable roll-out before many of the new, outer metropolitan, suburbs existed;
 - (b) the existing location of Telstra exchanges means that ADSL is unavailable in many developing suburbs;
 - (c) there has been an increase in the use of “split pair gains” as a method of providing basic telephone services to developing suburbs which is also incompatible with ADSL; and
 - (d) satellite is the only broadband delivery system available to many Australians and that this is the most expensive broadband service available; and
 - (3) calls on the Government to:
 - (a) investigate the true extent of this problem facing many Australians in developing communities;
 - (b) examine whether Telstra’s Community Service Obligation is adequate when dealing with broadband delivery services; and
 - (c) develop a comprehensive solution to the problem of lack of access to broadband services. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 11 **ADHESIVE ARACHNOIDITIS**: Resumption of debate (*from 16 September 2002*) on the motion of Ms George—That this House:
- (1) acknowledges the pain and suffering of Australians living with the disease - Adhesive Arachnoiditis;
 - (2) accepts that many current sufferers were at some time involved in a spinal x-ray procedure known as a myelogram;
 - (3) believes that an independent inquiry is necessary to investigate:
 - (a) the effects of exposure to the chemical Iophendylate (marketed under the name Pantopaque and Myodil);
 - (b) the basis on which Iophendylate was licensed, marketed and used in Australia; and
 - (c) the social and economic costs arising from the disease;
 - (4) acknowledges the important work undertaken by the support group – Chemically Induced Adhesive Arachnoiditis Sufferers of Australia and its founder Derek Morrison; and

- (5) requests the Government to provide some resources and assistance to the Committee to enable it to carry on its worthwhile work which up until now has been done on a voluntary basis. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 12 **TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE) BILL 2002** (*Mr McMullan*): Second reading (*from 23 September 2002*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 13 **TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (CREDIT CARD REFORM) BILL 2002** (*Mr Griffin*): Second reading (*from 23 September 2002*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 14 **DROUGHT**: Resumption of debate (*from 23 September 2002—Mr Gibbons, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Cobb—That this House:
- (1) notes the serious state of drought across the south eastern part of the Australian continent;
 - (2) recognises the variability of weather patterns across Australia;
 - (3) recognises the serious economic and social impact being felt by rural communities;
 - (4) acknowledges the need to maintain the long term viability of agriculture in the drought affected regions; and
 - (5) calls on State Governments to provide a more substantial financial contribution to drought relief. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 15 **CORPORATIONS AMENDMENT (IMPROVING CORPORATE GOVERNANCE) BILL 2002** (*Mr Crean*): Second reading (*from 23 September 2002*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 16 **ETHNIC COMMUNITY BROADCASTING**: Resumption of debate (*from 23 September 2002*) on the motion of Ms Vamvakinou—That this House:
- (1) pays tribute to the thousands of dedicated people across Australia who are involved every week in ethnic community broadcasting;
 - (2) recognises that the Australian Ethnic Radio Training Project (AERTP), auspiced by the National Ethnic and Multicultural Broadcasters Council, performs a vital role in providing nationally available, quality, accredited, value-for-money competency-based training for aspiring ethnic community broadcasters;
 - (3) acknowledges there is an ongoing demand for such training from new broadcasters, new programs, new language groups and from existing groups; and
 - (4) calls on the Government to provide further financial support to AERTP to ensure that it continues to operate beyond the 2002-2003 financial year. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 17 **TOURISM INDUSTRY**: Resumption of debate (*from 23 September 2002*) on the motion of Mrs Gash—That this House:
- (1) recognises the positive contribution of this Government in encouraging the tourism industry in Australia;
 - (2) notes the impact of external factors on the local industry;
 - (3) recognises the contribution of local and regional tourism to the national economy;
 - (4) acknowledges the important role of local and regional tourism in providing employment opportunities for young people; and
 - (5) recognises the need for more equitable dismissal laws for small business to ensure greater employment opportunities are made available by employers in the tourism industry. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 18 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (EMERGENCY SERVICES) BILL 2002** (*Mr Crean*): Second reading (*from 21 October 2002*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 19 **PLASTIC BAG LEVY (ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION) BILL 2002** (*Mr Andren*): Second reading (*from 21 October 2002*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

- 20 **PLASTIC BAG (MINIMISATION OF USAGE) EDUCATION FUND BILL 2002** (Mr Andren): Second reading (from 21 October 2002). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.)
- 21 **FUEL QUALITY STANDARDS (RENEWABLE CONTENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL) AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (Mr Katter): Second reading (from 21 October 2002). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.)
- 22 **HUMAN RIGHTS IN NIGERIA:** Resumption of debate (from 21 October 2002) on the motion of Mr Baird—That this House:
- (1) condemns the sentencing of Amina Lawal to death by stoning by Shari'ah Courts in the Katsina province of Nigeria, for allegedly committing adultery and bearing a child out of wedlock;
 - (2) registers its strong opposition to all similar extreme sentences that discriminate against women; and
 - (3) calls on the Government of Nigeria to do everything within its power to protect the basic human rights of Amina Lawal and all its citizens. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.)
- 23 **YOUNG PEOPLE:** Resumption of debate (from 11 November 2002—Mr Gibbons, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Mossfield—That this House:
- (1) recognises that:
 - (a) young people have a diversity of talent and can provide a fresh insight into the creative industries;
 - (b) there is a need for positive promotion of young people and their achievements;
 - (c) young people wish to advance themselves by utilising work placement and work experience programs; and
 - (d) young people are willing to promote and enhance positive programs on a range of issues such as multiculturalism, education, the environment and social justice issues, including asylum seekers; and
 - (2) urges the Government to:
 - (a) organise a collaborative effort by schools in local areas to provide the opportunity for students to audition, take part in and display their individual talents in a musical performance, with the help of local sponsorship and government funding, to provide a professional opportunity for students in creative areas;
 - (b) provide increased resources to support mechanisms to students in order to enhance educational opportunities and outcomes, including library facilities, syllabus management and student support infrastructure;
 - (c) provide incentives to employers to encourage their participation in work experience and work placement programs and to address the public liability insurance issues that are threatening such programs; and
 - (d) create youth sport and recreation facilities where young people can physically participate and interact with each other to promote better physical and mental well-being. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.)
- 24 **DIABETES:** Resumption of debate (from 11 November 2002) on the motion of Mrs Moylan—That this House:
- (1) notes:
 - (a) the alarming rise in the number of people with Type 2 Diabetes estimated to be 1 million, with half of those people currently undiagnosed;
 - (b) according to a recent landmark study by Diab Cost Australia Type 2 Diabetes is costing Australians a staggering \$3 billion a year with the bill for each person averaging nearly \$11,000 in expenditure and benefits;
 - (c) according to the study, as the complications of diabetes increase, the costs per person are estimated to escalate from \$4,020 to \$9,625 when there are both microvascular and macrovascular problems;

- (d) early detection through screening programs and action to slow or prevent the onset of complications will see reductions in health costs and improve and maintain quality of life for individuals with Type 2 Diabetes; and
 - (e) the contribution this landmark study conducted by Associate Professor Stephen Colaguiuri of Diab Cost Australia will make to better informing Government and the public of a significant public health problem;
- (2) congratulates the Federal Government for the emphasis it has placed on public awareness programs in relation to Type 2 Diabetes; and
- (3) urges the Government to:
- (a) continue programs to raise public awareness of the high risk of undiagnosed and untreated cases of Type 2 Diabetes and ensure access to appropriate screening;
 - (b) support access to new medications for the treatment of Type 2 Diabetes while ensuring that Australian taxpayers get value for money through appropriate pricing arrangements;
 - (c) continue to encourage people diagnosed with diabetes to undergo regular medical test including eye testing so as to prevent complications;
 - (d) ensure adequate funding for further research into prevention and treatment of Type 2 Diabetes; and
 - (e) develop a strong education program encouraging appropriate diet and exercise regimes to minimise the risk of Type 2 Diabetes. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 25 ISRAEL AND PALESTINE:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 November 2002—Ms J. I. Bishop, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms Irwin—That this House:
- (1) notes the continued occupation by the State of Israel of the West Bank and Gaza Strip in contravention of United Nations Resolution 242 passed on 22 November 1967;
 - (2) supports the right of Israel to exist within secure borders;
 - (3) calls on the United Nations to insert a peace keeping force into the occupied territories of the West Bank and Gaza and the unconditional withdrawal of Israeli forces;
 - (4) calls for the recognition of the State of Palestine based on the pre 1967 borders of the West Bank and Gaza; and
 - (5) calls on the international community to encourage and support the resolution of outstanding differences between the State of Israel and the State of Palestine based on the Oslo and Camp David Agreements. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 26 CREDIT UNIONS:** Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2002*) on the motion of Mr Neville—That this House:
- (1) recognises the significance of the credit union movement in the framework of Australia's financial services;
 - (2) recognises the contribution of 200 Australian credit unions and their 3.5 million members not only to the concept of mutuality but also as an alternative source of housing and domestic finance;
 - (3) notes its role in providing banking-type and lending services in country and many other areas vacated by the traditional banks;
 - (4) recommends a reassessment of ASIC and APRA regulations (commensurate with the size and role of credit unions); and
 - (5) requests a re-examination of taxation, franking credits and register requirements as they apply to credit unions. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 27 NEW ENGLAND HIGHWAY:** Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2002—Ms Hoare, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Baldwin—That this House:
- (1) recognises the need to ease traffic congestion on the New England Highway to assist motorists from areas such as Beresfield and Thornton;
 - (2) acknowledges a recent audit of the New England Highway by the NRMA which found the worst section of the highway is a 12.8km stretch between Hexham and Maitland which includes the Weakley's Drive intersection;

- (3) further acknowledges the audit which found that this particular stretch of road has a crash and casualty rate 79% higher than the route average;
 - (4) recognises the most recent fatality on the New England Highway when a motorist was killed on the South Seas Drive intersection in August 2002; and
 - (5) calls on all levels of government to progress work along this highway as quickly as possible, including:
 - (a) State Government construction of a link road between Beresfield and Thornton;
 - (b) construction of an interchange at the Weakley's Drive intersection; and
 - (c) funding of improvements to intersections along the highway that have an historically high rate of accidents. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 28 **YOUTH SUICIDE:** Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2002*) on the motion of Ms Vamvakinou—That this House:
- (1) recognises that youth suicide is becoming an increasing cause of death amongst young people with youth suicide figures in 2000 at 2,363 with 1,860 of those males;
 - (2) recognises that the youth suicide rates for males and indigenous people, particularly in rural areas, are amongst the highest in the western world and that males are three times more likely to complete a suicide attempt;
 - (3) recognises that admissions to hospitals for intentional self-injury are close to 10 times as common as fatalities for suicide, with males more likely to take far more drastic suicide methods;
 - (4) recognises there is a role for families, education, role models and health workers in identifying and supporting young people at risk of depression and self-harm;
 - (5) notes *The Sydney Morning Herald* 7 February 2002 article regarding government alarm on suicides rates with the Minister for Youth Affairs stating that “*Australia is losing the war against youth suicide and needs a fresh approach.*”; and
 - (6) calls on the Government to implement further measures to lower the rate of juvenile depression and youth suicide. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 29 **GOVERNOR-GENERAL AMENDMENT BILL 2002 (Mr Albanese):** Second reading (*from 9 December 2002*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 30 **FOREIGN CREWED VESSELS:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2002*) on the motion of Ms O’Byrne—That this House:
- (1) notes the increased risk of illegal entry into Australia from foreign crewed vessels that are now able to spend extended periods on the Australian coast;
 - (2) calls upon the Government to act immediately to review the current security arrangements in relation to foreign seafarers; and
 - (3) further notes the threats posed to our coastal environment by flag of convenience vessels. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)
- 31 **OPERATION JAYWICK—COMMEMORATIVE STAMP ISSUE:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2002*) on the motion of Mr Lloyd—That this House:
- (1) acknowledges the service and bravery of all Australian veterans involved with the Z Special Unit Forces, including Operation Jaywick during WWII;
 - (2) notes:
 - (a) the upcoming 60th anniversary of Operation Jaywick on 26-27 September 2003;
 - (b) Australia Post's successful and popular policy of producing special issue commemorative stamps; and
 - (c) Australia Post's policy to recognise only anniversaries of 50 years or multiples of 50 years in such commemorative stamp issues; and
 - (3) urges Australia Post to review this policy to enable the issue of a 60th anniversary commemorative stamp series in honour of the veterans of Operation Jaywick. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

32 **INSTITUTIONALISED CHILDREN:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2002*) on the motion of Mrs Irwin—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the ongoing effects of emotional deprivation suffered by children placed in institutions prior to the mid 1970s;
- (2) applauds the public exposure of the misguided policies under which British migrant children and the “stolen generation” of indigenous children were treated and the effects of their treatment in children’s institutions evident in adulthood;
- (3) recognises that Australian children raised in institutions were denied love and affection, that they were separated from siblings, subjected to harsh discipline and suffered physical and sexual abuse;
- (4) recognises that they were conditioned to perform manual work rather than to pursue higher education or develop high level skills and that they were subjected to a deliberate policy to erase any awareness of their biological parents and family; and
- (5) calls on the Government to facilitate the full disclosure of the forgotten history of institutionalised children and to respond to the present needs of those generations still suffering the effects of their time in children’s institutions. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 10 February 2003.*)

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. 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, 5 February 2003

The Main Committee meets at 9.40 a.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**Orders of the day**

- 1 **MARITIME LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002—Mr Edwards*).
- *2 **BUSHFIRES—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.
- 3 **AGRICULTURAL AND VETERINARY CHEMICALS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).



QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

On the first sitting day of each fortnight, a complete Notice Paper is published containing all unanswered questions. On subsequent days, only new questions for the sitting are included in the Notice Paper. The full text of all unanswered questions is available at:

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Questions unanswered

Nos 36, 37, 40, 42, 43, 77, 91, 92, 94-98, 101, 103, 119, 130, 154-156, 197, 202, 255, 260, 269, 281, 331, 335, 364, 367, 372, 374, 385, 396, 409, 412, 413, 440, 478, 537, 557, 579, 598, 615, 636, 637, 639, 647, 652, 669, 670, 685, 691, 700, 707-723, 735, 744, 758, 760, 776, 785, 792, 798, 815, 823, 842, 853, 854, 856, 858, 876, 878, 880, 912, 915, 937, 946, 950, 951, 956, 977, 979, 993, 1000, 1003, 1006, 1014, 1035-1038, 1043, 1067-1069, 1079, 1082, 1088, 1107, 1111, 1118, 1122, 1127, 1137, 1139, 1140, 1142-1145, 1147, 1155, 1161, 1163, 1164, 1166, 1167, 1171, 1173, 1174, 1177, 1180-1188, 1190, 1191, 1194-1197, 1201, 1203-1205, 1208, 1209, 1213-1215, 1217-1221, 1223-1229, 1236-1241, 1243-1250, 1252, 1254-1256, 1259, 1261, 1264, 1265, 1267-1269, 1271, 1273, 1274, 1276, 1277, 1279, 1280, 1282-1354.

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*1355 **MR McCLELLAND:** To ask the Minister for Science—

- (1) What is the name of the company that has been awarded the contract to construct a new nuclear reactor at Lucas Heights in NSW.
- (2) What are the related corporate entities to the company.
- (3) Is he able to say whether the company or any related corporate entity has been the subject of complaint in respect of a nuclear reactor constructed in Egypt; if so, what has been the (a) nature and (b) outcome of those complaints.
- (4) Was a contractual condition to the company being awarded the contract an agreement that waste could be returned to Argentina.
- (5) Are there any legislative restrictions on the receipt or handling of waste by the Argentinean Government or any corporations or instrumentalities entrusted with that function.
- (6) What will be the system of supervision of the construction of the nuclear reactor and will that supervision involve any acknowledged international expertise other than from the company or related bodies corporate.
- (7) What supervision if any will be in place upon the commissioning of the new nuclear reactor to ensure that safety mechanisms are not overridden in order to hasten the time in which the reactor becomes operational.
- (8) Is he able to say whether the International Atomic Energy Agency of the UN in Vienna was checking the problems of the Egypt reactor; if so, what was the result of the inquiry and what conclusions were drawn.

*1356 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Treasurer—How many (a) barristers, (b) solicitors, (c) judges and (d) magistrates failed to lodge an income tax return for each of the financial years ended 30 June (i) 1992, (ii) 1993, (iii) 1994, (iv) 1995, (v) 1996, (vi) 1997, (vii) 1998, (viii) 1999, (ix) 2000, (x) 2001 and (xi) 2002.

*1357 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Treasurer—What percentage of magistrates pay the top marginal rate of income tax.

*1358 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—

- (1) Has the Minister seen an article by Toni O'Loughlin published on page 7 of *The Australian Financial Review* of 31 January 2003 titled "New model for media laws", stating that the Government is considering re-drafting its Broadcasting Services Amendment (Media Ownership) Bill to get the legislation through the Senate.

- (2) Is the Government's model for the re-draft a proposed British law that allows media barons to own up to 20 per cent in either the newspaper, television or radio markets, or up to 30 per cent of any two of those markets.
- (3) Does the Minister envisage that, under either option, the Murdoch family's Australian media interests or the Packer family's Australian media interests would be reduced; if so, how; if not, why not.
- *1359 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
- (1) Has the Minister seen an article on page 54 of *The Australian Financial Review* of 31 January 2003 in the Rear Window segment edited by Katrina Nicholas titled "Peter Reith still running for ABC Board".
- (2) Did the Minister see the Rear Window report stating that Mr Reith is still on the shortlist to fill the vacancy when Mr Kroger takes his leave on 5 February 2003.
- (3) Did the Minister also see the report alleging that Mr Reith's supporters in Canberra believe that Mr Reith is playing hard to get and is keen as they are to finish the job Mr Kroger began on the ABC Board.
- (4) Will the Minister immediately make a public statement to clarify the Rear Window report; if not, why not.
- *1360 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Attorney-General—
- (1) Further to the reply to part (1) of question No. 1253, why did he or the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) not ask Dr Colston directly about the purpose of his 27 taxpayer-funded motor vehicle trips and his 16 taxpayer-funded interstate aeroplane trips between 1 July 1999 and 6 May 2002.
- (2) Further to the reply to part (2) of question No. 1253, (a) how did he become aware that the purpose of Dr Colston's taxpayer-funded motor vehicle trips and taxpayer-funded interstate aeroplane trips on 19 April 2002 and 6 May 2002 was not for Dr Colston to attend a medical appointment and (b) what was the purpose of these trips.
- *1361 **MR SCIACCA:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—Is the credit rating of a client affected when Centrelink puts a client's debt into the hands of a debt collection agency.
- *1362 **MS BURKE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer—
- (1) What was the total revenue collected through the superannuation surcharge in (a) 1997-98, (b) 1998-99, (c) 1999-2000, (d) 2000-2001 and (e) 2001-2002.
- (2) What was the average cost of this surcharge on those to whom it was applied in (a) 1997-98, (b) 1998-99, (c) 1999-2000, (d) 2000-2001 and (e) 2001-2002.
- (3) What sum was collected in (a) 1997-98, (b) 1998-99, (c) 1999-2000, (d) 2000-2001 and (e) 2001-2002 from individual taxpayers whose taxable income was less than (i) \$100,000 (ii) \$150,000 (iii) \$200,000 and (iv) \$500,000.
- *1363 **MS J. S. McFARLANE:** To ask the Treasurer—
- (1) Is he aware of an article by Tom Baddeley entitled "ATO's tardiness creates a bother" in *The Australian* on 3 February 2003.
- (2) How many taxpayers have accepted the offer made by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) to investors in mass marketed tax effective schemes.
- (3) How many of these taxpayers have not yet received an acknowledgement from the ATO.
- (4) What is the average time the ATO is taking to process reassessments once the taxpayer has accepted the ATO's offer.
- *1364 **MS J. S. McFARLANE:** To ask the Treasurer—
- (1) How many taxpayers are being reassessed due to their participation in Employee Benefit Arrangements (EBA).
- (2) What process is used by the Australian Taxation Office in issuing any reassessment notices.
- (3) Are there any taxpayers who did not claim deductions whilst participating in the scheme who have had amended assessments issued to them to disallow the deductions that they did not claim; if so, how many taxpayers received these reassessments.

- *1365 **MS J. S. McFARLANE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Health and Ageing—
- (1) Is the Minister able to say what sum the Commonwealth raised from excise on tobacco in (a) 1996, (b) 1997, (c) 1998, (d) 1999, (e) 2000, (f) 2001 and (g) 2002.
 - (2) What was the level of direct funding by the Commonwealth to anti-smoking campaigns in (a) 1996, (b) 1997, (c) 1998, (d) 1999, (e) 2000, (f) 2001 and (g) 2002.
 - (3) What was the level of funding provided to the States for use in anti-smoking campaigns in (a) 1996, (b) 1997, (c) 1998, (d) 1999, (e) 2000, (f) 2001 and (g) 2002.
 - (4) What direct action is the Federal Government taking to promote an anti-smoking message.
- *1366 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
- (1) Which organisations received Backing Australia's Ability initiatives funding in (a) 2001-2002 and (b) 2002-2003 under the Centres of Excellence for Information and Communications Technology.
 - (2) What is the physical location of each funded organisation.
 - (3) At what physical location will or did the research take place.
 - (4) Which organisations are attached to a university or research organisation.
- *1367 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—
- (1) Which organisations received Backing Australia's Ability initiatives funding in (a) 2001-2002 and (b) 2002-2003 under the categories of (a) Major Research Facilities program, (b) New Industries Development program, (c) Australian Research Council Competitive Grants, (d) Research Infrastructure Block Grants, (e) University Infrastructure, (f) Additional 2000 University Places and (g) Online Curriculum Content.
 - (2) What is the physical location of each funded organisation.
 - (3) At what physical location will or did the research take place.
 - (4) Which organisations are attached to a university or research organisation.
- *1368 **MR LATHAM:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—Is the Minister able to say whether, since the answer by the Minister for the Arts and the Centenary of Federation to question No. 1674 (*Hansard*, 31 August 2000, page 19963), there have been changes to British laws which constrain certain government funded institutions, such as the British Museum and the British Natural History Museum, from returning collection items.
- *1369 **MR LATHAM:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs—
- (1) In their joint statement on 4 July 2000 did the British and Australian Prime Ministers welcome the initiative of the British Natural History Museum in cataloguing the 450 indigenous human remains in its collection and in providing this information to the Australian Government.
 - (2) Have any of the Museum's human remains been returned to Australia.
- *1370 **MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Is he aware of reports in London's *Daily Telegraph* on 19 January 2003 that key Iraqi scientists have been given new identities and smuggled out of the country to postings in South East Asia.
 - (2) Does he know (a) the original identity of these scientists, (b) the identity these scientists have assumed, (c) to what countries they have gone, (d) what postings they have taken up and (e) whether the governments of these countries facilitated or participated in the smuggling of these scientists.
- MR DANBY:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 1371 - 1372)—
- (1) How many refugees from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) does the Government estimate have fled the famine.
 - (2) How many of these refugees does the Government estimate have fled to the People's Republic of China.
 - (3) Have Australian diplomats or members of the Australia China Human Rights dialogue attempted to investigate the plight of these refugees; if not, why not.
 - (4) Is the Minister able to say what is the policy of Beijing towards these DPRK refugees.
 - (5) Is the Minister able to say whether Beijing routinely returns starving citizens of the DPRK to the DPRK.
 - (6) Is the Minister able to say whether many of these returned refugees are incarcerated in concentration camps or executed.

- (7) Has Australia made representations to Beijing or the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) about these practices.
- (8) What action has the UNHCR taken on behalf of these refugees.
- (9) Is China a signatory to the 1951 convention on refugees and its subsequent protocols.
- (10) Is Beijing an executive member of the UNHCR executive.
- (11) Has China and the UNHCR signed a bilateral treaty in 1995 that guarantees the right to call for expeditious arbitration over differences in refugee policy.
- (12) Has the UNCHR submitted the treatment of North Korean refugees to arbitration.
- (13) Has Australia asked the UNHCR for such arbitration; if not, is the Government contemplating such a request; if not, why not.

*1371 **MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

*1372 **MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs.

*1373 **MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 971 (*Hansard*, 11 December 2002, page 10248), why does the Government not provide any recognition to Kurdish authorities within the boundaries of Iraq.
- (2) To what other minority, indigenous or other groups seeking self-determination does the Government provide recognition or special status.
- (3) Are there set criteria for determining what groups are accorded status; if so, what are they.

*1374 **MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Has the Australian Government made any contact with the Iraqi opposition groups.
- (2) Have Government representatives met with the Iraqi National Congress; if so, what was the nature and content of those discussions.
- (3) What is the Government's evaluation of various components of the Iraqi opposition.
- (4) Does the Government believe the opposition groups will have a serious role in governing Iraq in the event of the current regime collapsing.
- (5) What, if any, discussions have been held with opposition groups with regard to the continuation of existing and future Australian commercial relations.

*1375 **MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 1192 by the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs, to how many Muslim (a) institutions and (b) religious schools in Australia does the Saudi Government provide funding.
- (2) What conditions are attached to the funding.
- (3) Is he aware of any Australian Islamic Schools that receive Saudi funding and that mandate the teaching of the radical Wahabi-ist, al-Qaeda, or JI doctrines rather than other moderate forms of Islam.
- (4) Is he aware of any teachers referred to in question No. 1192, and who teach radical Wahabi-ist, al-Qaeda, or JI, doctrines in Australia.

*1376 **MRS CROSIO:** To ask the Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 1176, which areas within the jurisdiction of the Camden City Council and the Parramatta City Council have been designated to be a part of the NSW statewide voluntary purchase scheme allocation.
- (2) Is there any evidence of serious flooding occurring in these areas.
- (3) What differentiates these areas from other places in the south-west Sydney basin that have a history of serious flooding.
- (4) What is his Department's definition of "serious flooding".

I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives

SPEAKER'S PANEL

Mr Adams, Mr Barresi, Ms Corcoran, Ms Gambaro, Mr Hawker, Mr Lindsay, Mr Mossfield, Mr Price, Mr Scott, Mr Wilkie.

COMMITTEES

Unless otherwise shown, appointed for life of 40th Parliament

Standing

Pursuant to standing orders

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AFFAIRS: Mr Wakelin (*Chair*), Mr Danby, Mrs Draper, Mr Haase, Ms Hoare, Mrs Hull, Dr Lawrence, Mr Lloyd, Mr Snowdon, Mr Tollner.

Current inquiry:

Capacity building in indigenous communities.

AGEING: Dr Southcott (*Chair*), Ms Corcoran, Ms Ellis, Ms Gambaro, Ms Hall, Mr Hartsuyker, Mr Hunt, Mrs May, Mr Mossfield, Mr A. D. H. Smith.

Current inquiry:

Long term strategies to address ageing of the Australian population over the next 40 years.

AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY: Mrs Elson (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Mrs Ley, Mr Scultz, Mr Secker, Mr Sidebottom, Mr Windsor, Mr Zahra.

Current inquiry:

Future water supplies for Australia's rural industries and communities.

COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS: Mr Pyne (*Chair*), Mr Baldwin, Mr Ciobo, Ms Grierson, Mr Hatton, Mr Johnson, Mr Pearce, Mr Sercombe, Mr Tanner, Mr Ticehurst.

ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: Mr Hawker (*Chair*), Mr Albanese, Ms Burke, Mr Cox, Ms Gambaro, Mr Griffin, Mr P. E. King, Mr Nairn, Mr Somlyay, Dr Southcott.

Current inquiry:

Local government and cost shifting.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING: Mr Bartlett (*Chair*), Mr Albanese, Mr Farmer, Ms Gambaro, Mr Johnson, Mrs May, Mr Pearce, Ms Plibersek, Mr Sawford, Mr Sidebottom.

Current inquiry:

Vocational education and training in schools.

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS: Mrs D. M. Kelly (*Chair*), Mr Bevis, Mr Dutton, Ms Hall, Mr Hartsuyker, Mr Lloyd, Ms Panopoulos, Mr Randall, Ms Vamvakinou, Mr Wilkie.

Current inquiry:

Australian workers' compensation schemes.

ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE: Mr Billson (*Chair*), Mr Barresi, Mr Cobb, Ms George, Mr Hunt, Mr Jenkins, Mr Kerr, Mr Lindsay, Ms Livermore, Mr McArthur.

Current inquiry:

Employment in the environment sector.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS: Mrs Hull (*Chair*), Mr Cadman, Ms Draper, Mr Dutton, Mr Edwards, Ms George, Mrs Irwin, Mr Pearce, Mr Quick, Mr C. P. Thomson. (Mr Wakelin to be a supplementary member for the purpose of the inquiry into substance abuse in Australian communities.)

Current inquiries:

Children's developmental health and well being.

Substance abuse in Australian communities.

HOUSE: The Speaker, Mr Charles, Mrs Crosio, Mr Haase, Ms Jackson, Mr Quick, Mr Somlyay.

INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES: Mr Prosser (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Fitzgibbon, Mr Gibbons, Mr Haase, Mr Hatton, Mr Randall, Mr C. P. Thomson, Mr Tollner, Dr Washer. (Mr Fitzgibbon and Mr Ticehurst to serve as supplementary members for the purpose of the inquiry into impediments to increasing investment in mineral and petroleum exploration in Australia.)

Current inquiry:

Impediments to increasing investment in mineral and petroleum exploration in Australia.

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS: Mrs B. K. Bishop (*Chair*), Ms J. I. Bishop, Mr Cadman, Mr Kerr, Mr Melham, Mr Murphy, Ms Panopoulos, Mr Sciacca, Mr Secker, Dr Washer.

Current inquiry:

Crime in the community.

LIBRARY: Mr Adams, Mrs Draper, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mr Georgiou, Ms Hoare, Mr Randall.

MEMBERS' INTERESTS: Mr Haase (*Chair*), Mrs Crosio, Mr Jenkins, Mr Lindsay, Mr Neville, Mr Quick, Mr C. P. Thompson.

PRIVILEGES: Mr Somlyay (*Chair*), Mr Baird, Mr Barresi (nominee of the Leader of the House), Mr Billson, Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Brereton, Mr M. J. Ferguson, Mr McLeay, Ms Plibersek (nominee of the Deputy Leader of the Opposition), Mr Sawford, Mr Scott.

PROCEDURE: Mrs May (*Chair*), Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr M. J. Ferguson, Mr Haase, Mr P. E. King, Mr Price, Ms Vamvakinou.

Current inquiries:

Adequacy of procedures for examining the estimates of expenditure.

Conduct of divisions.

Proposed revised standing orders.

PUBLICATIONS: Mr Randall (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Cobb, Mrs Crosio, Mrs D. M. Kelly, Ms J. S. McFarlane, Mr Tollner.

SCIENCE AND INNOVATION: Mr Nairn (*Chair*), Ms Corcoran, Mr Evans, Mr Forrest, Ms Grierson, Mr Hatton, Mr Lindsay, Mr A. D. H. Smith, Mr Ticehurst, Dr Washer.

Current inquiry:

Commitment of Australian business to research and development.

SELECTION: Mr Causley (*Chair*), Mrs Crosio, Mr Danby, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Mr Hawker, Mr Lloyd, Mr McArthur, Mr Neville, Mr Quick, Mr Wilkie.

TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES: Mr Neville (*Chair*), Mr Andren, Mr Gibbons, Mr Haase, Mrs Ley, Mr McArthur, Mr Mossfield, Ms O'Byrne, Mr Schultz, Mr Secker.

Current inquiry:

Commercial regional aviation services in Australia and transport links to major populated islands.

Joint Statutory

ASIO, ASIS AND DSD: Mr Jull (*Chair*), Mr Beazley, Mr McArthur, Mr McLeay, Senator Ferguson, Senator Sandy Macdonald, Senator Ray.

AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION: Mr Baird (*Chair*), Mr Dutton, Mr Kerr, Mr Sercombe, Mr C. P. Thompson, Senator Denman, Senator Ferris, Senator Greig, Senator Hutchins, Senator McGauran.

BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS: The Speaker (*Chair*), The President, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Mr Lindsay, Ms J. S. McFarlane, Mr Price, Senator Ferris, Senator Stephens.

CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES: Mr Byrne, Mr Ciobo, Mr Griffin, Mr Hunt, Mr McArthur, Senator Brandis, Senator Chapman, Senator Conroy, Senator Cooney, Senator Murray, Senator Wong.

Current inquiries:

Australia's insolvency laws.

Disclosure of commissions on risk products.

Level of banking and financial services in rural, regional and remote areas of Australia.

NATIVE TITLE AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND FUND: Mr Cobb, Dr Lawrence, Mrs Ley, Mr Secker, Mr Snowdon, Senator Crossin, Senator Johnston, Senator Lees, Senator McLucas, Senator Scullion.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT: Mr Charles (*Chair*), Mr Ciobo, Mr Cobb, Mr Georgiou, Ms Grierson, Mr Griffin, Ms C. F. King, Mr P. E. King, Ms Plibersek, Mr Somlyay, Senator Colbeck, Senator Hogg, Senator Lundy, Senator Murray, Senator Scullion, Senator Watson.

Current inquiries:

Australia's quarantine function.

Management and integrity of electronic information in the Commonwealth.

PUBLIC WORKS: Mrs Moylan (*Chair*), Mr Jenkins, Mr Lindsay, Mr Lloyd, Mr B. P. J. O'Connor, Mr Ripoll, Senator Colbeck, Senator Ferguson, Senator Forshaw.

Current inquiries:

Katherine, NT—Perimeter security fence, RAAF Base Tindal.

Melbourne—Proposed fit-out of new leased premises for the Bureau of Meteorology at Docklands.

Newcastle, NSW—Development of off-base housing for Defence at Adamstown.

Randwick, NSW—Site remediation and construction of infrastructure for the Defence site.

Joint Standing

ELECTORAL MATTERS (*Formed 14 February 2002*): Mr Georgiou (*Chair*), Mr Danby, Mr Forrest, Mr Melham, Ms Panopoulos, Senator Bartlett, Senator Brandis, Senator Mason, Senator Murray, Senator Ray.

Current inquiry:

Conduct of the 2001 Federal election.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE (*Formed 14 February 2002*): Senator Ferguson (*Chair*), Mr Baird, Mr Baldwin, Mr Beazley, Mr Bevis, Mr Brereton, Mr Byrne, Mr Edwards, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mrs Gash, Mr Hawker, Mr Jull, Mr Lindsay, Mrs Moylan, Mr Nairn, Mr Price, Mr Prosser, Mr Scott, Mr Snowdon, Mr Somlyay, Mr C. P. Thompson, Senator Bolkus, Senator Cook, Senator Eggleston, Senator Evans, Senator Harradine, Senator Hutchins, Senator Johnston, Senator Sandy Macdonald, Senator O'Brien, Senator Payne, Senator Stott Despoja.

Current inquiries:

Annual reports for 2001-2002—

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Austrade.

Australia Indonesia Institute.

Department of Defence.

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Aspects of the 2000-2001 annual report of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission relating to conditions at immigration detention centres and the treatment of detainees.

Australia's maritime strategy.

Australia's role in the United Nations.

Australia's role in the World Trade Organisation.

Human rights and good governance education in the Asia-Pacific region.

Relations with Indonesia.

Trade and investment relations with the countries of Central Europe.

Watching brief on the War on Terrorism.

MIGRATION (*Formed 14 February 2002*): Ms Gambaro (*Chair*), Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mrs Gash, Mrs Irwin, Mr Randall, Mr Ripoll, Senator Bartlett, Senator Eggleston, Senator Kirk, Senator Tchen.

Current inquiries:

2003 review of Migration Regulation 4.31B.

Australia's migration and temporary entry program for skilled labour.

NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES (*Formed 14 February 2002*): Senator Lightfoot (*Chair*), Ms Ellis, Mr Johnson, Mr Neville, Mr Snowdon, Mr C. P. Thompson, Senator Crossin, Senator Lundy, Senator Scullion, Senator Stott Despoja.

TREATIES (*Formed 14 February 2002*): Ms J. I. Bishop (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Bartlett, Mr Ciobo, Mr Evans, Mr Hunt, Mr P. E. King, Mr Scott, Mr Wilkie, Senator Bartlett, Senator Kirk, Senator Marshall, Senator Mason, Senator Santoro, Senator Stephens, Senator Tchen.

APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY BODIES

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AUSTRALIAN ARCHIVES: Mr Somlyay (*appointed 15 May 2002, for a period of 3 years*).

COUNCIL OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA: Mr M. J. Ferguson (*elected 21 August 2002, for a period of 3 years*).

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