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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## NOTICE PAPER

No. 73

TUESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2003

*The House meets this day at 2 p.m.***GOVERNMENT BUSINESS****Orders of the day**

- 1 **CORPORATIONS AMENDMENT (REPAYMENT OF DIRECTORS' BONUSES) BILL 2002** (*Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 10 February 2003—Mr Latham, in continuation*).
- 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 **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*).
- 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 **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*).
- 6 **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*).
- 7 **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*).
- 8 **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*).
- \*9 **BROADCASTING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3) 2002** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 10 February 2003*).
- 10 **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*).
- 11 **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*).

\* 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.

- 12 **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*).
- \*13 **NATIONAL GALLERY AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*from Senate*): Second reading (from 10 February 2003).
- 14 **NATIONAL BLOOD AUTHORITY BILL 2002** (*Minister representing the Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 11 December 2002—*Mr Cox*).
- 15 **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*).
- 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 Snowden*).
- 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 Snowden*).
- 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 **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*).
- 21 **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*).
- 22 **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*).
- 23 **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*).
- 24 **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*).
- 25 **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*).
- 26 **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*).
- 27 **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*).
- 28 **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*).
- 29 **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*).
- 30 **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*).

- 31 **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*).
- 32 **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*).
- 33 **CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT (TERRORISM) BILL 2002** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 34 **TERRORISM INSURANCE BILL 2002** (*Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 35 **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*).
- 36 **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*).
- 37 **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*).
- 38 **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*).
- 39 **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*).
- 40 **WHEAT MARKETING AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Zahra*).
- 41 **DESIGNS BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 December 2002—Mr Cox*).
- 42 **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*).
- 43 **SUPERANNUATION INDUSTRY (SUPERVISION) AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister for Trade*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 December 2002—Mr Snowdon*).
- 44 **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*).
- 45 **MURRAY-DARLING BASIN AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 19 September 2002—Mr Albanese*).
- 46 **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*).
- 47 **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*).
- 48 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (AWARD SIMPLIFICATION) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 13 November 2002—Mr Melham*).
- 49 **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*).
- 50 **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*).
- 51 **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*).
- 52 **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*).

- 53 **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*).
- 54 **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*).
- 55 **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*).
- 56 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (FAIR TERMINATION) BILL 2002**: Consideration of Senate's amendments (*from 13 December 2002, a.m.*).
- 57 **RENEWABLE ENERGY (ELECTRICITY) AMENDMENT BILL 2002**: Consideration of Senate's amendments (*from 13 December 2002, a.m.*).
- 58 **INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF TAXATION BILL 2002**: Consideration of Senate's amendments (*from 13 December 2002, a.m.*).
- 59 **ADVANCE TO THE FINANCE MINISTER—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 6 February 2003—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 60 **NEW BUSINESS TAX SYSTEM (CONSOLIDATION AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL (NO. 2) 2002 AND NEW BUSINESS TAX SYSTEM (VENTURE CAPITAL DEFICIT TAX) BILL 2002—CORRECTIONS TO EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 6 February 2003—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 61 **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.
- 62 **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.
- 63 **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.
- 64 **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.
- 65 **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.
- 66 **ANNUAL REPORTS OF ADVISORY PANEL ON MARKETING IN AUSTRALIA OF INFANT FORMULA—CORRIGENDA—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 **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.
- 68 **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.
- 69 **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.
- 70 **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.
- 71 **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.

- 72 **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.
- 73 **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.
- 74 **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.
- 75 **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.
- 76 **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.
- 77 **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.
- 78 **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.
- 79 **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.
- 80 **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.
- 81 **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.
- 82 **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.
- 83 **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.
- 84 **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.
- 85 **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.
- 86 **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.
- 87 **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.
- 88 **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.
- 89 **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.

- 90 **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.
- 91 **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.
- 92 **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.
- 93 **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*).
- 94 **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.

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## 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 3 March 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 3 March 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 3 March 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 the next sitting Monday after 3 March 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 the next sitting Monday after 3 March 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 2 sitting Mondays after 3 March 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 2 sitting Mondays after 3 March 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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 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 5 sitting Mondays after 3 March 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 5 sitting Mondays after 3 March 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 5 sitting Mondays after 3 March 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 6 sitting Mondays after 3 March 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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
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## PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

### Notices

#### 1 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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

#### 2 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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 3 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

- 4 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 5 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

- 6 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

- 7 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

- 8 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

- 9 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

- 10 **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 5 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

- 11 **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 5 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

- 12 **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 5 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

13 **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 6 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

14 **MR SCHULTZ:** To move—That, this year being the 50<sup>th</sup> 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 6 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

15 **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 6 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

16 **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 6 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

17 **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 6 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

18 **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 6 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

- 19 **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 6 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 20 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*))
- 21 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 22 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 23 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 24 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 25 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 26 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 27 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 28 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 29 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 30 **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. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003*)
- 31 **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 Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003*)

32 **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. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003*)

33 **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. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003*)

34 **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. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003*)

35 **MRS CROSIO:** To present a Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment and administration of a scheme to guarantee the payment of wages and other accrued liabilities owed to employees in the event of employer insolvency, and for related purposes. (*Notice given 5 February 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003*)

36 **MR KERR:** To move—That this House:

- (1) expresses its profound regret that the Saharawi people are still waiting to exercise their right to self-determination, 27 years after Morocco's illegal occupation of the Western Sahara;
- (2) is deeply concerned about continuing reports of human rights violations against the Saharawi people in occupied Western Sahara and the severe shortfall in food aid affecting those in neighbouring refugee camps;
- (3) welcomes the UN Security Council's recent reassertion of the importance of the Saharawi's right to self-determination;
- (4) further notes the willingness of the POLISARIO Front to discuss with Morocco arrangements for the holding of the referendum to determine the future of the Western Sahara and economic and political guarantees in the event of the Western Sahara achieving independence following the referendum; and
- (5) calls on the Government to get the parties to resume their talks with the aim of holding the long-delayed referendum and restoring stability to the area. (*Notice given 5 February 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003*)

**Orders of the day**

- 1 **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 3 March 2003.*)
- 2 **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 60<sup>th</sup> 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 60<sup>th</sup> 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 3 March 2003.*)
- 3 **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 3 March 2003.*)
- 4 **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 3 March 2003.*)
- 5 **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 the next sitting Monday after 3 March 2003.*)
- 6 **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 the next sitting Monday after 3 March 2003.*)
- 7 **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 the next sitting Monday after 3 March 2003.*)
- 8 **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 2 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 9 **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 2 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 10 **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 2 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 11 **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 2 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 12 **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 2 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 13 **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 2 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 14 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 15 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 16 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 17 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 18 **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 4 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 19 **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 5 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 20 **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 5 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 21 **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 5 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 22 **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 6 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 23 **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 6 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 24 **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 6 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 25 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 26 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 27 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- 28 **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 7 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- \*29 **GREAT BARRIER REEF MARINE PARK (PROTECTING THE GREAT BARRIER REEF FROM OIL DRILLING AND EXPLORATION) AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*Mr K. J. Thomson*): Second reading (*from 10 February 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 3 March 2003.*)
- \*30 **PARKINSON'S DISEASE**: Resumption of debate (*from 10 February 2003*) on the motion of Ms Gambaro—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- \*31 **LEARNING MUSIC**: Resumption of debate (*from 10 February 2003*) on the motion of Mr Pearce—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- \*32 **AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS**: Resumption of debate (*from 10 February 2003*) on the motion of Ms Plibersek—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)
- \*33 **WOMEN**: Resumption of debate (*from 10 February 2003*) on the motion of Mrs Crosio—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 3 March 2003.*)

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**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).

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**BUSINESS OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE**

*Tuesday, 11 February 2003*

*The Main Committee meets at 4.30 p.m.*

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

**Orders of the day**

- 1 **IRAQ—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 February 2003—Ms Burke*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Andren, viz.*—That the following words be added to the motion: “and insists that in the absence of specific, unambiguous and unanimous support of the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, Australian defence forces not be involved in any military action in Iraq”.
- 2 **BUSHFIRES—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 6 February 2003—Mr Murphy*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.



## 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:

[www.aph.gov.au/house/info/notpaper/qons.pdf](http://www.aph.gov.au/house/info/notpaper/qons.pdf).

### *Questions unanswered*

Nos 40, 42, 77, 92, 94-98, 101, 103, 119, 130, 154, 197, 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, 652, 669, 670, 685, 691, 700, 707-723, 744, 758, 760, 776, 792, 798, 815, 823, 842, 853, 854, 856, 858, 876, 878, 880, 912, 915, 937, 950, 951, 956, 977, 979, 993, 1000, 1003, 1006, 1014, 1035-1038, 1043, 1067-1069, 1082, 1088, 1107, 1111, 1122, 1127, 1139, 1140, 1142, 1144, 1145, 1147, 1155, 1163, 1166, 1167, 1174, 1177, 1180, 1182, 1183, 1185-1188, 1191, 1194-1197, 1201, 1203-1205, 1208, 1209, 1214, 1215, 1217-1219, 1221, 1224, 1226, 1228, 1229, 1236-1240, 1243-1246, 1249, 1250, 1254, 1255, 1259, 1261, 1264, 1265, 1267-1269, 1271, 1274, 1280, 1282-1433.

### *11 February 2003*

\*1434 **MS JACKSON:** To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) How many applications for consideration of eligible investor status did the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) receive from individuals wishing to seek a remission of penalties and interest in the categories of (a) scheme promoters who designed, prepared, managed, sold or implemented the investment schemes, including the directors and office bearers of an entity which managed the investment, (b) tax advisers or financial planners who received a fee for another investor's scheme participation, (c) tax agents and others who give tax advice for a fee on a regular basis, and who could be expected to be aware of the taxation issues associated with investments, including the self-assessment system and (d) members of a professional firm that has a tax practice.
- (2) Were these applications individually assessed taking into account an applicant's previous history as a taxpayer and level of knowledge and understanding of the tax laws, as stated in the *Taxpayers' Charter* explanatory booklet entitled "Treating you fairly and reasonably".
- (3) How many of these applications were approved in each category.
- (4) Of those applications that were approved, what was the average percentage of (a) penalties and (b) interest that was remitted in each category.
- (5) What criteria were used in each category to ensure that each applicant was treated on his or her merits.

\*1435 **MS JACKSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 505 (*Hansard*, 19 August 2002, page 5072), is the Minister aware that residents of Gosnells, Thornlie, Maddington, Forrestfield and High Wycombe in the electoral division of Hasluck wishing to access a local bulk billing general practitioner are being told by the practices that they have either ceased taking new patients, or have up to 3-day waiting lists for appointments; if not, why not.
- (2) Is the Minister aware that 35% of general practitioner services in the electoral division of Hasluck no longer provide an ongoing bulk billing service to patients; if not, why not.
- (3) For each broad type of service categorised in the Medicare statistics, what percentage of services were (a) directly billed and (b) billed at or below Medicare schedule fees in the electoral division of Hasluck during (i) 1996, (ii) 1997, (iii) 1998, (iv) 1999, (v) 2000, (vi) 2001 and (vii) 2002.
- (4) For each broad type of service categorised in the Medicare statistics, what percentage of services were (a) directly billed and (b) billed at or below Medicare schedule fees in Western Australia during (i) 1996, (ii) 1997, (iii) 1998, (iv) 1999, (v) 2000, (vi) 2001 and (vii) 2002.
- (5) What was the total number of Medicare services provided during (a) 1996 (b) 1997 (c) 1998 (d) 1999 (e) 2000 (f) 2001 and (g) 2002 in (i) Western Australia and (ii) the electoral division of Hasluck.



- (6) How many services were provided per capita during (a) 1996, (b) 1997, (c) 1998, (d) 1999, (e) 2000, (f) 2001 and (g) 2002 in (i) Western Australia and (ii) the electoral division of Hasluck.
- (7) What percentage of Medicare services were provided at or below the scheduled fee during (a) 1996, (b) 1997, (c) 1998, (d) 1999, (e) 2000, (f) 2001 and (g) 2002 in (i) Western Australia and (ii) the electoral division of Hasluck.
- \*1436 MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 1114 (*Hansard*, 4 February 2003, page 153) concerning the appointment of Mrs Virginia Chadwick to the Board of the Australian Maritime Safety Authority and as Chief Executive Officer of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority, what is the itemised nature of the remuneration package which ranges from \$170,000 to \$286,000 paid to Mrs Chadwick.
  - (2) Is it Government policy that, where a former Senator or Member is entitled to hold a parliamentary pension, or a spouse or partner is in receipt of a pension, or holds an office of profit under the Crown, the pension may be reduced depending on the remuneration received for the holding of such office; if so, why is this policy position not applied to former State and Territory members of Parliament who receive parliamentary pensions.
- \*1437 MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—How many single voyage permits have been issued to single-hulled vessels in each of the last five years.
- \*1438 MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 828 (*Hansard*, 4 February 2003, page 81), is he able to say what factors are taken into account when commercial decisions are made.
  - (2) Were other factors taken in to account other than commercial decisions; if so, what; if not, why not.
- \*1439 MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Is he able to say whether the Zimbabwean Home Affairs Minister, Kembo Mohadi, operates a policy by which state marketing of grain, the main subsistence foodstuff, is used as a mechanism to punish President Mugabe's political opponents.
  - (2) Is he able to say whether Didymus Mutusa, organising Secretary of Zanu-PF and member of the Mugabe politburo, spoke in August 2002 of ethnic cleansing stating that Zimbabwe would be better off with only 6 million people, and that it did not need these extra people.
  - (3) Did the Troika of Government Leaders, set up to consider the Zimbabwe election at the recent Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in Brisbane and of which the Prime Minister was a member, note its disapproval of Zimbabwe and that Australia has applied the policy of Smart Sanctions, restricting the movements of senior members of the Mugabe Government and their families.
  - (4) Is he also able to say whether Mr Mohadi's daughter is being educated at a private school in Australia; if so, given the Home Affairs Minister's complicity in the regime of Mr Mugabe and Australia's opposition to that regime, are there any plans to send Mr Mohadi's daughter back to Zimbabwe; if not, why not.
- \*1440 MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—
- (1) Further to the answer to part (4) of question No. 828 (*Hansard*, 4 February 2003, page 81) by the Minister for Transport and Regional Services, could the Minister provide a breakdown of the vessels used for the East Timor operation by country of flag and crew.
  - (2) What vessels, including the country of flag and crew, were rejected for use in the East Timor operation and why were they rejected.
  - (3) What was the main difference between those vessels that were used and those that were rejected for the operation.
  - (4) If price was the main factor, what caused the price differential.
  - (5) What material was transported by these merchant vessels.
  - (6) What material was transported by vessels with either a foreign crew or foreign flag.
  - (7) What employment instrument governed the pay and conditions of the crew of each vessel.
  - (8) Could the Minister provide copies of these employment instruments.
- \*1441 MR MURPHY:** To ask the Treasurer—
- (1) Under subsection 16(2) of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936*, is the Commissioner of Taxation or any other officer within the meaning of that Act statutorily precluded, directly or indirectly, from

making a record of, or divulging or communicating to any person any information respecting the affairs of another person acquired by the officer.

- (2) Does the subsection preclude the Commissioner of Taxation or any other officer so prescribed from making a record or divulging any information respecting the affairs of another person so acquired within the meaning of that Act, to (a) the Bar Association of New South Wales, (b) the New South Wales Law Society, (c) the Australian Medical Association, (d) the Royal College of Surgeons and (e) other equivalent professional bodies charged with chartered disciplinary responsibilities who maintain professional standards in their respective professions.
- (3) What is the lawful procedure by which peak professional bodies may obtain taxation records for the purposes of disciplinary proceedings within their own mandated responsibilities.
- (4) How is the public interest preserved in light of the provisions of section 16 and the Commissioner of Taxation's responsibilities under the Privacy Act, in particular duties under the Information Privacy Principles.
- (5) How is the Government's public accountability and public interest served by privacy laws and other statutory powers such as those prescribed in section 16 of the Income Tax Assessment Act, which have the effect of denying public accountability of a person acting in a public ministry such as law, medicine, accounting, politics or other ministry.

\*1442 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Attorney-General—

- (1) Is he able to say whether, under the Privacy Act, (a) the word "record" includes an individual's taxation return held by the Commissioner of Taxation, (b) the Australian Taxation Office is an "agency", (c) the Commissioner of Taxation is a "record-keeper" and (d) the Commissioner of Taxation is bound by the Information Privacy Principles (IPP); if so, are there any exemptions.
- (2) Does IPP 11 preclude the Commissioner of Taxation from disclosing either (a) the tax return of an individual; or (b) information as to whether an individual has lodged a return for a particular year, without actual access to the information contained in a tax return itself but only information of the fact of lodgment.
- (3) Does an act of the Commissioner of Taxation in disclosing information to a peak professional body for potential disciplinary action within that profession against a practitioner member of their association, including the Bar Association of New South Wales, the New South Wales Law Society, the Australian Medical Association, the Royal College of Surgeons and other equivalent professional bodies charged with chartered disciplinary responsibilities who maintain professional standards in their respective professions, constitute a breach of the IPP 11; if so, how.
- (4) What is the procedure, if any, by which a professional body charged with disciplinary and professional standard responsibilities such as the New South Wales Bar Association and the New South Wales Law Society, may licitly obtain information critical to their disciplinary powers, including access to verifiable sources of taxation records of their members.

\*1443 **MR BEAZLEY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Does the Minister's departmental annual report list fast-jet pilot shortages and equipment shortages driven by logistics shortfalls, as problem areas for the Tactical Fighter Capability; if so, (a) how long is the logistics shortfall, (b) will the Minister detail and quantify the scope, cost and capability impact of these problems, (c) what plans are proposed, or in place, to fix these issues and (d) when will they be resolved.
- (2) What are the current and planned projects for the F-18, including costs, capability enhancement sought and schedules.
- (3) What are the costs, scope and schedules of current projects compared with original approvals.
- (4) What are the current limitations on deploying the F-18 to a hostile air defence environment.
- (5) When will these projects change these limitations.
- (6) What studies have been undertaken to check the sustainability of the F-18 fleet out to its planned withdrawal date and what further studies are under way or planned.
- (7) What has been the trend over the last decade in the cost of operating the F-18 fleet and what is the projected cost of operating the F-18 fleet to its withdrawal date.
- (8) What is the current estimate of the annual cost growth due to aircraft ageing for the F-18 fleet.
- (9) What are the risk factors that might impede the retention of the F-18 fleet out to planned withdrawal date.

- (10) What studies have been undertaken concerning an interim combat aircraft to replace the F-111 or F-18 aircraft prior to the introduction of the Joint Strike Fighter.
  - (11) What would be the cost of an interim combat aircraft and how does this compare with the cost of maintaining the F-111 and F-18 fleets to their planned withdrawal dates.
  - (12) By what sum would the remaining through-life cost of the F-111 and F-18 fleets need to rise to make it more cost effective to seek an interim solution.
  - (13) What contingency plans are in place should either the F-111 or F-18 prove not to be sustainable out to their planned withdrawal date.
- \*1444 **MR BEAZLEY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—
- (1) What have been the planned and achieved flying hours for the F-111 in each of the last ten years.
  - (2) What has been the impact of changes in the level of training and preparedness of the air strike/reconnaissance capability as a result of reductions in the last three years.
  - (3) What changes have occurred in the number of trained aircrew over the last three years.
  - (4) Does the Minister's departmental annual report list as problem areas for the strike reconnaissance capability, wing cracking, fuel tank over-pressurisation, commercialisation of support functions, fuel tank de-seal/re-seal issues, ageing aircraft problems, enhancement and modification projects and shortfalls in aircrew, engineer and technical personnel; if so, (a) what has been the cost and capability impact of these problems, (b) what plans are in place to fix each of these problems and (c) when are the issues in each problem area planned to be resolved.
  - (5) What are the current and planned projects for the F-111 and what are the costs and capability enhancement sought by each project.
  - (6) What are the costs, scope and schedules of all current projects compared with that originally approved.
  - (7) What are the current limitations on deploying F-111 in battle air defence environments and how will these projects address these limitations.
  - (8) What studies have been undertaken on the sustainability of the F-111 fleet out to its planned withdrawal date and what further studies are planned.
  - (9) What has been the trend in the cost of operating the F-111 fleet over the last decade and what is the projected operating cost to its withdrawal date.
  - (10) What is the current estimate of the annual cost growth due to aircraft ageing for the F-111 fleet.
  - (11) What are the risk factors which might impede the retention of the F-111 fleet out to the planned withdrawal date.
- \*1445 **MR B. P. O'CONNOR:** To ask the Attorney-General—
- (1) How many calls have been made to the anti-terrorist hotline number 1800 123 400 since its launch.
  - (2) What is the average number of calls per day.
  - (3) What sum has been spent setting up and running the hotline.
  - (4) What is the average cost per day of the hotline.
  - (5) What percentage of calls to the hotline has been determined to be misdirected, vexatious or frivolous.
  - (6) What percentage of calls to the hotline has been determined to be hoaxes.
  - (7) How many prosecutions have resulted from calls made to the hotline.
- \*1446 **MR B. P. O'CONNOR:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- (1) How many families and individuals in the electoral division of Burke have received a Debt Notice from Centrelink for overpayment of Family Tax Benefit in (a) 2000-2001 and (b) 2001-2002.
  - (2) What was the average Family Tax Benefit debt per family or individual in the electoral division of Burke in (a) 2000-2001 and (b) 2001-2002.
  - (3) How many families or individuals received Family Tax Benefit debt notices despite having informed Centrelink within 14 days of a change in their circumstances.
  - (4) What advice are Centrelink staff giving to help reduce or prevent debt notices.
  - (5) What steps has the Minister taken to reduce the number of families and individuals receiving debt notices for 2002-2003.

\*1447 **MR B. P. O'CONNOR:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) What was the number of (a) general practitioners and (b) specialists in the electoral division of Burke in (i) 1995 and (ii) 2002.
- (2) What was the ratio per 1000 of population of (a) general practitioners and (b) specialists, in the electoral division of Burke in the years (i) 1995 and (ii) 2002.
- (3) What is the number and percentage of (a) general practitioners and (b) specialists that bulk billed in (i) 1995 and (ii) 2002.

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**I. C. HARRIS**

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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### SPEAKER'S PANEL

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

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### 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 Cobb, Mr Danby, Mrs Draper, Mr Haase, Ms Hoare, 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.

*Current inquiry:*

Structure of Telstra.

**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.

Operation of sessional order 344.

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.

*Current inquiry:*

Review of agency security arrangements.

**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:** Mrs Hull, 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 Conroy, 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—

AusAID.

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*), Mr Causley, Ms Ellis, Mr Johnson, Mr Neville, Mr Snowdon, Mr C. P. Thompson, Senator Crossin, Senator Hogg, Senator Lundy, Senator Scullion, Senator Stott Despoja.

*Current inquiries:*

Pay parking in the Parliamentary zone

Review of the annual reports of the Department of Transport and Regional Services 2001-2002 and the Department of the Environment and Heritage 2001-02 (Australia's external territories).

**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.

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## 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*).