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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

#### **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

# **NOTICE PAPER**

No. 142

## THURSDAY, 4 DECEMBER 2003

The House meets this day at 9 a.m.

## **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

## **Notices**

- \*1 MR COSTELLO: To present a Bill for an Act to amend the Corporations Act 2001 and the Australian Securities and Investments Commission Act 2001, and for related purposes. (Corporate Law Economic Reform Program (Audit Reform and Corporate Disclosure) Bill 2003)
- \*2 MR SLIPPER: To present a Bill for an Act to provide for certain application and transitional matters relating to international trade modernisation, to amend customs legislation, and for other purposes. (Customs Legislation Amendment (Application of International Trade Modernisation and Other Measures) Bill 2003)
- \*3 MR COSTELLO: To present a Bill for an Act to amend the A New Tax System (Commonwealth-State Financial Arrangements) Act 1999, and for related purposes. (A New Tax System (Commonwealth-State Financial Arrangements) Amendment Bill 2003)
- \*4 **MR CAMERON:** To present a Bill for an Act to limit certain liabilities in accordance with professional standards laws of the States and Territories, and for related purposes. (*Treasury Legislation Amendment (Professional Standards) Bill* 2003)
- \*5 **MR ABBOTT:** To move—That standing order 48A (adjournment and next meeting) and standing order 103 (new business) be suspended for this sitting.
- \*6 **MR ABBOTT:** To move—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the introduction and passage through all stages without delay by 12.30 p.m. today of a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to medicare, and for related purposes.
- \*7 MRS D. S. VALE: To present a Bill for an Act to provide rehabilitation, compensation and other entitlements for veterans, members and former members of the Defence Force, and for other purposes. (Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Bill 2003)
- \*8 MRS D. S. VALE: To present a Bill for an Act to amend laws, and to deal with transitional matters, in connection with the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2003*, and for other purposes. (*Military Rehabilitation and Compensation (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2003*)

## Orders of the day

- 1 BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT BILL 2003 (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 3 December 2003—Mr Organ, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the Bill be now read a second time—And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Emerson, viz.—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "the House declines to give the Bill a second reading and condemns the Government for:
  - (1) persistently seeking to erode the bargaining capacity of working Australians;
  - (2) its one-sided, confrontational approach to reform in this industry; and
  - (3) failing to address the non-payment of employee entitlements and tax evasion in the building and construction industry".

<sup>\*</sup> Notifications to which an asterisk (\*) is prefixed appear for the first time

<sup>†</sup> Debate to be adjourned to a future day at the conclusion of the time allotted.

- 2 BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT (CONSEQUENTIAL AND TRANSITIONAL) BILL 2003 (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 6 November 2003—Mr Emerson).
- 3 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).
- 4 HEALTH LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM) BILL 2003 (from Senate): Second reading (from 15 September 2003).
- 5 HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT AMENDMENT (ABOLITION OF COMPULSORY UP-FRONT STUDENT UNION FEES) BILL 2003 (Minister for Education, Science and Training): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 17 September 2003—Mr Griffin).
- 6 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT) BILL 2002 [NO. 2] (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 6 November 2003—Mr Emerson).
- 7 POSTAL SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2003 (Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 19 June 2003—Mr Swan).
- 8 HEALTH AND AGEING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2003 (from Senate): Second reading (from 26 June 2003).
- 9 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (CHOICE IN AWARD COVERAGE) BILL 2002 (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 6 November 2003—Mr Hunt, in continuation).
- 10 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).
- 11 **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*).

#### **Notices**—continued

- 9 **MR ABBOTT:** To move—That standing orders 93, 94 and 399 be suspended for the remainder of this period of sittings, except when a motion is moved pursuant to the applicable standing order by a Minister. (*Notice given 18 June 2003*.)
- 10 **MR ABBOTT:** To move—That, for the remainder of this period of sittings, standing order 45 be amended to read as follows:

## When want of quorum noticed, House counted - House adjourned

- 45 If any Member takes notice that a quorum of Members is not present, the Speaker shall count the House; and, if a quorum is not present within four minutes, the Speaker shall adjourn the House until the next sitting day: Provided that if the Speaker is satisfied there is likely to be a quorum within a reasonable time the Speaker shall announce that he or she will take the Chair at a stated time; but if at that time there is not a quorum the Speaker shall adjourn the House to the next sitting day and provided further that on the second or any subsequent occasion during a sitting day on which any Member takes notice that a quorum is not present the Speaker shall have discretion whether to proceed with business or to count the House. (*Notice given 19 June 2003*.)
- 11 **MR ABBOTT:** To move—That standing order 399 be suspended for the remainder of this period of sittings, except when a motion is moved pursuant to the standing order by a Minister. (*Notice given 18 June 2003.*)

## Orders of the day—continued

- 12 **INTELLIGENCE SERVICES AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*Minister for Foreign Affairs*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 15 October 2003—Mr Cox*).
- 13 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (AWARD SIMPLIFICATION) BILL 2002 (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 13 November 2002—Mr Melham).

- 14 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).
- 15 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).
- 16 CIVIL AVIATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (MUTUAL RECOGNITION WITH NEW ZEALAND AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL 2003 (Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 25 June 2003—Mr Cox).
- 17 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (BETTER BARGAINING) BILL 2003 (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 6 November 2003—Mr Emerson).
- 18 **SUPERANNUATION SAFETY AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*Minister for Science*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 27 November 2003—Mr Cox*).
- \*19 **DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Mr McClelland*).
- \*20 **PRIVACY AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Mr McClelland*).
- \*21 **DAIRY PRODUCE AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Mr Cox*).
- \*22 NATIONAL MEASUREMENT AMENDMENT BILL 2003 (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 3 December 2003—Mr Cox).
- \*23 INDUSTRY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT BILL 2003 (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 3 December 2003—Mr Cox).
- 24 FAMILY ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (EXTENSION OF TIME LIMITS) BILL 2003 Consideration of Senate's message No 361 (from 27 November 2003).
- 25 IRAQ—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 13 February 2003—Mr Evans, in continuation) 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"—And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr McClelland to the proposed amendment, viz.—That all words after "and" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words:
  - "(1) condemns the Government for forward-deploying Australian troops to a potential theatre of war with Iraq in the absence of any United Nations authorisation and without revealing to the Australian people the commitments on which that deployment was based;
  - (2) declares its opposition to a unilateral military attack on Iraq by the United States;
  - (3) insists that the disarmament of Iraq proceed under the authority of the United Nations;
  - (4) expresses its full support and confidence in our servicemen and women, while expressing its opposition to the Government's decision to forward-deploy them;
  - (5) expresses its total opposition to any use of nuclear arms and declares that Australian support should not be provided to any operation where such weaponry may be used; and
  - (6) declares that it has no confidence in the Prime Minister's handling of this grave matter for the nation".
- 26 RENEWABLE ENERGY (ELECTRICITY) AMENDMENT BILL 2002: Consideration of Senate's amendments (from 13 December 2002, a.m.).
- 27 GOVERNOR-GENERAL: Consideration of Senate's message No. 258 (from 15 May 2003).
- \*28 UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION AGAINST TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME—TREATY— MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 3 December 2003—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.

- \*29 PROTOCOL TO PREVENT, SUPPRESS AND PUNISH TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, ESPECIALLY WOMEN AND CHILDREN—TREATY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 3 December 2003—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- \*30 PROTOCOL AGAINST THE SMUGGLING OF MIGRANTS BY LAND, SEA AND AIR (PEOPLE SMUGGLING PROTOCOL)—TREATY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 3 December 2003—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 31 TWELFTH ANNUAL STATEMENT TO PARLIAMENT ON AUSTRALIA'S DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION PROGRAM—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 26 November 2003—Mr Downer) on the motion of Mr Downer—That the House take note of the paper.
- 32 STATES GRANTS (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) ACT 2000—REPORT ON FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS TO EACH STATE IN RESPECT OF 2002—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 26 November 2003—Mr Latham) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 33 EMPLOYMENT NATIONAL—REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 26 November 2003—Mr Latham) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 34 MILITARY COMMISSIONS FOR GUANTANAMO BAY DETAINEES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 25 November 2003—Mr Truss*) on the motion of Mr Ruddock—That the House take note of the paper.
- 35 AUSTRALIA AND THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS—REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 25 November 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 36 MIGRATION AGENTS REGISTRATION AUTHORITY—REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 25 November 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 37 JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL MATTERS—REPORT ON INTEGRITY OF THE ELECTORAL ROLE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 16 October 2003—Mr Latham) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 38 JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL MATTERS—REPORT ON THE 2001 ELECTION—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 16 October 2003—Mr Latham) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 39 ALBURY-WODONGA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION—REPORT FOR 2002-03—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 15 October 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 40 **OPERATION OF THE** *AGED CARE ACT 1997*—**REPORT**—**MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 October 2003*—*Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 41 *CRIMES ACT 1914* PART 1AB CONTROLLED OPERATIONS—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 7 October 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 42 BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT BILL 2003—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 18 September 2003—Mr Abbott*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 43 NATIONAL SAFE SCHOOLS FRAMEWORK—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 17 September 2003—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Tuckey—That the House take note of the paper.
- 44 **RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA—REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 September 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 45 QUARTERLY REPORT ON MOVEMENT CAP FOR SYDNEY AIRPORT APRIL TO JUNE 2003—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 10 September 2003—Mr Latham) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.

- 46 DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE—PAPER—APEC: AUSTRALIA'S INDIVIDUAL ACTION PLAN 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 9 September 2003—Mr Latham) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 47 AGREEMENT DONE AT TOWNSVILLE ON 24 JULY 2003 BETWEEN SOLOMON ISLANDS, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, FIJI, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, SAMOA AND TONGA—TREATY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 9 September 2003—Mr Latham) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 48 OFFICE OF THE RENEWABLE ENERGY REGULATOR—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 21 August 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 49 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—49TH REPORT—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 14 August 2003—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 50 STATEMENT TO PARLIAMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 40(3) ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMISSION ACT 1989—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 13 August 2003—Mr McMullan) on the motion of Mr Ruddock—That the House take note of the paper.
- 51 INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR OUTREACH SERVICES LEGISLATION—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 12 August 2003—Mr M. J. Ferguson) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 52 MURRAY-DARLING BASIN COMMISSION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 12 August 2003—Mr M. J. Ferguson) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 53 LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE ENFORCEMENT OF COPYRIGHT IN AUSTRALIA—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 26 June 2003—Mr Latham) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 54 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN FISHERIES JOINT AUTHORITY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 19 June 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 55 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO REPORT 48—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 19 June 2003—Mr Latham) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 56 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO REPORT 50—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 19 June 2003—Mr Latham) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 57 AUSTRALIAN RIVER CO. LTD—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 18 June 2003—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Jackie Kelly—That the House take note of the paper.
- 58 **PHARMACEUTICAL BENEFITS PRICING AUTHORITY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 59 PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE—REPORT ON PREMIUM INCREASES FOR THE QUARTER ENDING 31 MARCH 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 60 **TELECOMMUNICATIONS INTERCEPTION ACT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 61 **AUSTRALIAN MARITIME COLLEGE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 June 2003—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 62 AUSTRALIAN LAND TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 4 June 2003—Mr Swan) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.

- 63 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORTS—FROM PHANTOM TO FORCE: TOWARDS A MORE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE ARMY—A MODEL FOR A NEW ARMY: COMMUNITY COMMENTS ON 'FROM PHANTOM TO FORCE' PARLIAMENTARY REPORT INTO THE ARMY—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 3 June 2003—Mr Swan) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 64 INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION CONVENTIONS NOS 83, 85 AND 86—TREATIES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Resumption of debate (*from 13 May 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 65 **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING—HIGHER EDUCATION—REPORT— MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 May 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 66 REPORT OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION INTO THE COLLAPSE OF HIH INSURANCE—VOLUMES I-III—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Resumption of debate (*from 13 May 2003—Ms Roxon*) on the motion of Mr Williams—That the House take note of the paper.
- 67 MINISTERIAL STATEMENT ON THE REPORT OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION INTO THE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY: VOLUME 1 AND VOLUMES 3 TO 11—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Resumption of debate (from 27 March 2003—Mr Barresi) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the papers.
- 68 MINISTERIAL STATEMENT ON THE REPORT OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION INTO THE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY: VOLUME 2 AND VOLUMES 12 TO 22—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Resumption of debate (from 26 March 2003—Mr Barresi) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the papers.
- 69 NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COUNCIL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 13 February 2003—Ms Macklin*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 70 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.
- 71 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.
- 72 TARIFF PROPOSALS (Mr Slipper):

Customs Tariff Proposals No. 3 (2002)—moved 16 September 2002—Resumption of debate (Mr K. J. Thomson).

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2003)—moved 27 March 2003—Resumption of debate (Mr Sidebottom).

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 3 (2003)—moved 25 June 2003—Resumption of debate (Mr Cox).

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 4 (2003)—moved 25 June 2003—Resumption of debate (Mr Cox).

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 5 (2003)—moved 17 September 2003—Resumption of debate (Mr Sidebottom).

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 6 (2003)—moved 16 October 2003—Resumption of debate (Ms Macklin).

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).

Excise Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2003)—moved 25 June 2003—Resumption of debate (Mr Cox).

Excise Tariff Proposal No. 2 (2003)—moved 25 June 2003—Resumption of debate (Mr Cox).

Excise Tariff Proposal No. 3 (2003)— $moved\ 25\ June\ 2003$ —Resumption of debate ( $Mr\ Cox$ ).

Excise Tariff Proposal No. 4 (2003)—moved 17 September 2003—Resumption of debate (Mr Sidebottom).

73 PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS BROADCASTING AMENDMENT BILL 2002: Second reading (from 12 February 2002).

## **Contingent notices of motion**

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

- Contingent on any report relating to a bill being received from the Main Committee: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.
- Contingent on any bill being agreed to at the conclusion of the consideration in detail stage: Minister to move—
  That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the motion for the third reading being moved without delay.
- Contingent on any message being received from the Senate transmitting any bill for concurrence: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

## COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS

## Orders of the day

- 1 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE 2003 NEW ZEALAND COMMITTEE EXCHANGE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 23 June 2003—Mr Scott, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Scott—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 16 February 2004.)
- 2 ELECTORAL MATTERS—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE 2001 ELECTION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 23 June 2003—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 16 February 2004.)
- 3 SCIENCE AND INNOVATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE COMMITMENT OF AUSTRALIAN BUSINESS TO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 23 June 2003—Mr Nairn, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Nairn—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 16 February 2004.)
- 4 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—52ND REPORT—SINGAPORE AUSTRALIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT AND OTHER TREATIES TABLED IN MARCH 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 26 June 2003—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 16 February 2004.)
- 5 AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASIA PACIFIC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 26 June 2003—Mr Sercombe, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Sercombe—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 16 February 2004.)
- 6 PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF THE CONDUCT OF DIVISIONS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 18 August 2003—Mrs May, in continuation) on the motion of Mrs May—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 16 February 2004.)
- 7 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—53RD REPORT—TREATIES TABLED IN MAY AND JUNE 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 19 August 2003—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 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 8 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE DRAFT FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 20 August 2003—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 reaccorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 9 INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON IMPEDIMENTS TO INCREASING INVESTMENT IN MINERALS AND PETROLEUM EXPLORATION IN AUSTRALIA—

- **MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (from 15 September 2003—Mr Prosser, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Prosser—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 16 February 2004.)
- 10 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE REPORT FOR 2001-2002—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 13 October 2003—Mr Scott, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Scott—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 16 February 2004.)
- 11 NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE INQUIRY INTO PAY PARKING IN THE PARLIAMENTARY ZONE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 13 October 2003—Mr Neville, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Neville—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 12 ASIO, ASIS AND DSD—JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF AGENCY SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 13 October 2003—Mr Jull, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Jull—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 13 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON TREATIES TABLED ON 9 SEPTEMBER 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 16 October 2003—Mr Wilkie, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Wilkie—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 16 February 2004.)
- 14 AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO EAST TIMOR—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 3 November 2003—Mr Adams, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Adams—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 16 February 2004.)
- 15 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—THE DEFENCE SUB-COMMITTEE VISIT TO RAAF WILLIAMTOWN, DARWIN ESTABLISHMENTS, EAST TIMOR AND RAAF TINDAL—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 24 November 2003—Mr Scott, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Scott—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 16 February 2004.)
- 16 PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REVISED STANDING ORDERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 24 November 2003—Mrs Gallus) on the motion of Mrs May—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 16 February 2004.)
- 17 PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—TRIAL OF ADDITIONAL TELLERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 1 December 2003—Mrs May, in continuation) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

#### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

## Notice given for Thursday, 4 December 2003

\*1 **MR KERR:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* to deny election funding to political candidates accepting gifts derived from tobacco smoking, and for related purposes. (*Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Preventing Smoking Related Deaths) Bill 2004*)

### **Notices**—continued

- 1 MS C. F. KING: To move—That this House notes that:
  - (1) 18 August is the anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan and Vietnam Veterans Day;

- (2) following the Battle of Long Tan in 1966, the South Vietnamese Government decided to award gallantry award medals to several members of D Company and also a Unit Citation to the Company;
- (3) at the last minute the then Australian Government requested that they not be awarded and the soldiers were instead given dolls and cigarette cases;
- (4) that approval to have the awards presented was to be sought at a later date; and
- (5) as the Minister for Veterans Affairs has the authority to approve the wearing of these awards, and given that sufficient documented evidence exists to support such a decision, that approval should be granted. (*Notice given 19 June 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on 16 February 2004.*)

#### 2 MR PRICE: To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises that the *Hansard* record on the parliamentary website should pre-date the current cut-off of 1984;
- (2) acknowledges the national benefit that would be derived from a more comprehensive record being made available as well as the benefit to Members of Parliament and their staff;
- (3) notes that the proposed Centenary project to have all the *Hansard* records incorporated was unable to be finalised apparently because of the cost; and
- (4) urges the Presiding Officers to re-examine the proposal and at least attempt to extend the current scope of the *Hansard* available on the Web even if it has to be staged over a number of Parliaments. (Notice given 15 September 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

#### 3 MR ANDREN: To move—That this House:

- recognises that feral pigs pose a threat to the nation due to their impact on the welfare of livestock, damage to the environment and natural biodiversity, and potential to harbour exotic animal diseases and zoonoses;
- (2) notes estimates that the population of feral pigs in Australia could be as high as 23 million; and
- (3) calls on the Government to develop a nationally coordinated approach to the feral pig issue. (*Notice given 16 September 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)

### 4 **MR KERR:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises that smoking tobacco products is the single largest cause of preventable death in Australia;
- (2) is of the opinion that it is inappropriate that public policy be, or be thought to be, influenced by donations made by tobacco companies;
- (3) acknowledges that any political party that unilaterally declines to accept donations from the tobacco industry risks disadvantaging itself;
- (4) expresses its opinion that it is reasonable on health and public policy grounds to effectively discourage political parties from accepting donations from the tobacco industry; and
- (5) accordingly supports the principle that it be a condition of eligibility to receive public funding under the Electoral Act that a political party not accept any donations from the tobacco industry. (Notice given 7 October 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

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

- (1) notes that Monday, 13 October 2003 is the 160th anniversary of the founding of B'nai B'rith;
- (2) notes that B'nai B'rith is the largest Jewish community service organisation in the world today with branches in 51 countries including Australia and holds NGO consultative status at the United Nations, UNESCO and the UN Commission on Human Rights;
- (3) notes that for 160 years B'nai B'rith has provided continuing support and assistance to both Jewish and non-Jewish people in Australia and throughout the world, particularly those in need or sick, the aged and people suffering persecution;
- (4) notes that B'nai B'rith continues to promote the ideals and principles of peace, philanthropy, support for science and the arts, relief from suffering and the advancement of humankind; and
- (5) congratulates B'nai B'rith on its 160th anniversary. (Notice given 13 October 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

6 MR PRICE: To move—That standing orders 142 and 151 be amended as follows:

#### **Questions to Ministers**

- Questions may be put to a Minister relating to public affairs with which the Minister is officially connected, to proceedings pending in the House, or to any matter of administration for which the Minister is responsible.
- (a) Questions may be in writing and placed on the Notice Paper for written reply.
- (b) Questions may be asked orally without notice for immediate reply and 10 questions may be asked by non-Government Members and 10 by Government Members.

## Questions without notice—Supplementary questions

- Supplementary questions may be asked to elucidate and answer.
- (a) One or more supplementary questions may be asked for each question except that:
- (b) No more than 4 supplementary questions in total may be asked by Government Members and no more than 4 supplementary questions in total may be asked by non-Government Members at question time. (Notice given 16 October 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

#### 7 **MR BEVIS:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes with grave concern the detention of two Australian citizens, Mr David Hicks and Mr Mamdouh Habib at Guantanamo Bay Cuba by the United States administration;
- (2) notes that even the worst war criminals from Nazi Germany were afforded a full court hearing open to public scrutiny;
- (3) notes that David Hicks and Mamdouh Habib have received only very limited access to legal advice;
- (4) notes that David Hicks and Mamdouh Habib have been denied access to their families;
- (5) notes that David Hicks and Mamdouh Habib have been denied natural justice and are being held at the sole discretion of the President of the United States of America in whatever circumstances he deems fit; and
- (6) calls on the President of the United States of America either to lay charges immediately against these Australians to be heard in an open court of law or release them for return to Australia where any legal proceedings can be pursued in accordance with Australian law. (Notice given 24 October 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

#### 8 **MR BEVIS:** To move—That:

- (1) the House, noting that all Members and Senators are required to make declarations of relevant interests and those of their spouses and dependent children, and believing that it would be in the public interest for members of the Federal Parliamentary Press Gallery (FPPG) (including broadcast and press journalists and those who write or present news and or current affair items but not camera crew, sound technicians or other support staff) to make similar declarations, resolves that, within 28 days of being issued with a photographic pass enabling a person to have access to Parliament House as a member of the FPPG, the person must provide to the Serjeant-at-Arms or the Usher of the Black Rod a statement of:
  - (i) the person's registrable interests, and
  - (ii) the registrable interests of which the person is aware (a) of the person's spouse and (b) of any children who are wholly or mainly dependent on the person for support,

in accordance with resolutions adopted by the House and the Senate and in a form determined by the Presiding Officers from time to time, and shall also notify any alteration of those interests to the Serjeant-at-Arms or the Usher of the Black Rod within 28 days of that alteration occurring.

- (2) the statement of registrable interests to be provided by a person shall include the registrable interests of which the person is aware (1) of the person's spouse and (2) of any children who are wholly or mainly dependent on the person for support, and shall cover the following matters:
  - (a) shareholdings in public and private companies (including holding companies) indicating the name of the company or companies;
  - (b) family and business trusts and nominee companies—
    - (i) in which a beneficial interest is held, indicating the name of the trust, the nature of its operation and beneficial interest, and

- (ii) in which the person, the person's spouse, or a child who is wholly or mainly dependent on the person for support, is a trustee (but not including a trustee of an estate where no beneficial interest is held by the person, the person's spouse or dependent children), indicating the name of the trust, the nature of its operation and the beneficiary of the trust;
- (c) real estate, including the location (suburb or area only) and the purpose for which it is owned;
- (d) registered directorships of companies;
- (e) partnerships indicating the nature of the interests and the activities of the partnership;
- (f) liabilities indicating the nature of the liability and the creditor concerned;
- (g) the nature of any bonds, debentures and like investments;
- (h) saving or investment accounts, indicating their nature and the name of the bank or other institutions concerned;
- (i) the nature of any other assets (excluding household and personal effects) each valued at over \$7500;
- (j) the nature of any other substantial sources of income;
- (k) gifts valued at more than \$750 received from official sources, or at more than \$300 where received from other than official sources provided that a gift received by the person, the person's spouse or dependant children from family members or personal friends in a purely personal capacity need not be registered unless the person judges that an appearance of conflict of interest may be seen to exist;
- (l) any sponsored travel or hospitality received where the value of the sponsored travel or hospitality exceeds \$300;
- (m) membership of any organisation where a conflict of interest with the person's duties could foreseeably arise or be seen to arise; and
- (n) any other interests where a conflict of interest with the person's duties could foreseeably arise or be seen to arise.
- (3) the Presiding Officers make arrangements for copies of declarations of interest made under this resolution to be made available for inspection by any interested person.
- (4) the Presiding Officers may order the cancellation of the Parliament House pass of a person to whom this resolution applies if that person has:
  - (a) knowingly failed to provide a statement of registrable interests to the Serjeant-at-Arms or the Usher of the Black Rod by the due-date;
  - (b) knowingly failed to notify any alteration of those interests to the Serjeant-at-Arms or the Usher of the Black Rod within 28 days of the change occurring, or
  - (c) knowingly provided false or misleading information to the Serjeant-at-Arms or the Usher of the Black Rod.
- (5) the Presiding Officers must consult with representatives of the FPPG on the implementation and operation of these requirements.
- (6) a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly. (Notice given 24 October 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

## 9 **MR HAWKER:** To move—That this House:

- recognises the respect accorded to all Australian Prime Ministers when they visit other countries, including the United States of America;
- (2) notes the courteous and dignified manner in which the President of the United States of America, the Honourable George W. Bush, conducted himself during the joint meeting of the House and the Senate on 23 October;
- (3) acknowledges the courteous and respectful way in which the overwhelming majority of Members and Senators participated in the proceedings;
- (4) deplores any disorderly and/or offensive behaviour by a Member or Senator towards any guest of the Australian Parliament. (*Notice given 3 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)
- 10 MR CADMAN: To move—That this House calls on the Coalition in Iraq, the international community and the United Nations to ensure that:

- (1) Assyrians will be constitutionally recognised as the indigenous people of Iraq;
- (2) all Assyrians who have been forced to take refuge outside of Iraq during the last century and who, or whose descendants, are residing outside of Iraq are granted dual citizenship;
- (3) Assyrians will be entitled to proper representation and participation in all levels of government;
- (4) Assyrians will be constitutionally guaranteed the right to freely exercise their customs, religion, language and traditions;
- (5) the homes, lands and property of all Assyrians (not limited to those presently living in Iraq) previously confiscated and forcefully removed from the Assyrians will be returned;
- (6) all Assyrians previously forced to leave Iraq will have the right to return to their ancestral and ancient homeland;
- (7) all Assyrian antiquities and museums are placed in the care and ownership of Assyrians with all income generated therefrom used for the protection of Assyrian history; and
- (8) the current designation of the eighteen provinces that include the provinces of Nineveh (Ninawa) and Dohuk is maintained. (*Notice given 4 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)

### 11 MR FITZGIBBON: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that the proposed National Highway project linking the northern end of the F3 Freeway and the New England Highway north of Branxton remains unconstructed;
- (2) notes the importance of the project to the Hunter's economic and social well-being and the economic and social well-being of regions further north and west; and
- (3) calls upon the Howard Government to immediately commit to both an acceptable construction timetable and to construction funding. (*Notice given 24 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)

#### 12 MR MOSSFIELD: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that on 5 March 1804 the Battle of Vinegar Hill took place at what is today known as Rouse Hill, New South Wales;
- (2) notes that some 200 mainly Irish convicts, led by Phillip Cunningham, took part in Australia's first known armed rebellion against authorities, largely over the treatment of Irish convicts in both Britain and the colonies;
- (3) notes that next year marks the 200th anniversary of this battle;
- (4) notes that a steering committee of 5 Western Sydney Councils has been formed to stage a reenactment and associated celebrations;
- (5) recognises that this Battle is a significant chapter in Australia's early convict history;
- (6) recognises that the Battle and its outcome helped shape the Australian character; and therefore:
- (7) urges the Government to provide whatever additional assistance is necessary to ensure a successful re-enactment of this historic battle; and
- (8) calls on the Government to commemorate this significant event by issuing a commemorative coin and stamp. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)

### 13 MR MOSSFIELD: To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges:
  - (a) the need for leadership role models for young people across a diversity of fields and professions and that the role of teachers in the education system is imperative in achieving this objective;
  - (b) that healthy vibrant town centres, well resourced with youth facilities such as libraries, entertainment facilities, community facilities and accessible transport, ensure positive youth participation in the community;
  - (c) that social and peer pressure add to the challenges that today's youth face, which can often lead to depression and youth suicide; and
  - (d) the difficulties faced by students forced to juggle work and academic participation in relation to wages, exploitation and time management; and
- (2) urges the Government to:
  - (a) encourage the promotion of positive role models, both male and female, to inspire and lead the expanding youth population of the Western Sydney region;

- (b) increase its focus on urban development and planning to aid the growing needs of today's youth;
- (c) make available a variety of options to address the important issue of depression and youth suicide; and
- (d) promote youth participation by encouraging the establishment of a wider range of forums for young people to be able to voice their concerns and that these forums should involve all levels of government and the community. (Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

#### 14 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 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)

## 15 **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 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)
- 16 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the standing orders be amended by amending standing order 94 to read as follows:

#### **Closure of Member**

- 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 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)
- 17 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 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 18 **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 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)
- 19 **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 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 20 **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 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

#### 21 **MR PRICE:** To move—That this House:

- 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 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)
- 22 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 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)*
- 23 MR PRICE: To move—That standing order 330 be replaced with the following:
  - (a) A Standing Committee on Modernisation and Procedure of the House of Representatives shall be appointed to inquire into and report on practices and procedures of the House generally with a view to making recommendations for their improvement or change and for the development of new procedures.
  - (b) The committee shall consist of the Speaker or his appointed Deputy Speaker, The Leader of the House or his appointed Deputy, the Manager of Opposition Business or his appointed Deputy and eight Members, four government Members and four non-government Members.
  - (c) The Secretary of the Committee will be the Clerk or his Deputy. (Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

## 24 **MS LIVERMORE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes with concern that Australia has one of the highest rates of youth suicide and that the eighth biennial health report of the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare found that amongst 12-24 year olds self-harm was the second leading cause of death representing 19.2% of all deaths in this age group:
- (2) notes that according to Mission Australia 55.8% of young people rate depression and suicide as the most important issue facing young people;

- (3) recognises the tragic impact on families, peers and communities when a young person takes his/her life; and
- (4) commends those organisations working to prevent the incidence of youth suicide. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)

## 25 MR P. E. KING: To move—That this House:

- (1) takes note of the:
  - (a) long history of anti-Semitism and its lethal capacity to influence many people to express hatred and carry out violence against Jewish people;
  - (b) alarming rise in the incidence of violent anti-Semitic acts in many countries which have killed Jews and non-Jews alike, the desecration of Jewish cemeteries and memorials and targeted assaults on individual members of the Jewish community; and
  - (c) disturbing upsurge of anti-Semitic propaganda in print, on the Internet and circulated through emails, often in the form of false accusations that Jews are involved in conspiracies against other people; and
- (2) in recognition of these developments:
  - (a) expresses its unequivocal condemnation of anti-Semitism, of violence directed against Jews and Jewish religious and cultural institutions, and all forms of racial and ethnic hatred, persecution and discrimination on ethnic or religious grounds, whenever and wherever it occurs;
  - (b) resolves to condemn all manifestations of anti-Semitism in Australia as a threat to the freedoms that all citizens should enjoy equally in a democratic society and commits the Parliament to take all possible concrete actions at a national level to combat this threat to our peaceful and diverse nation; and
  - (c) further resolves to encourage Australian ambassadors and other officials engaged in bilateral contacts with other countries to use their influence to oppose and counter anti-Semitic expressions and to promote all possible efforts at fostering tolerance and community harmony. (Notice given 27 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

#### Orders of the day

- 1 **IRAQ:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 June 2003*) on the motion of Mrs Moylan—That this House:
  - (1) acknowledges the suffering and hardship experienced by the Iraqi people from years of neglect of essential services and the dictatorship of Saddam Hussein;
  - (2) notes the grave consequences of this neglect to human health, contributing to the second highest infant and child mortality rates in a list of some of the poorest countries in the world;
  - (3) notes the consequent poor state of essential services in Baghad and other areas of Iraq and commends the efforts of the coalition, the United Nations and non-government organisations to provide emergency services to the people of Iraq;
  - (4) notes the major ongoing challenges facing the people of Iraq including the need for continued rehabiliation of essential services such as sewerage and sanitation and notes that a major effort is underway to improve these services;
  - (5) commends the Australian Government for the substantial contribution to humanitarian aid and reconstruction in Iraq, notably in relation to agriculture, where Australia is taking the lead with the United States;
  - (6) notes that Australia's contribution of \$100 million is the 5th highest of the 15 main contributing countries; and
  - (7) acknowledges the contribution of AusAid and Australian non-government organisations in the delivery of health services, water and sanitation work, co-ordination and logistics, food distribution, refugee preparedness and mine action and agriculture. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 16 February 2004.*)
- 2 **AGED CARE:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 June 2003—Ms Jackson, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms Hall—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 16 February 2004.*)
- 3 MORTGAGE FINANCE: Resumption of debate (*from 11 August 2003*) on the motion of Mr P. E. King—That this House:
  - (1) notes the importance to Australian families who are new home buyers of clear and fair arrangements for the entry into mortgages;
  - (2) notes the recent calls by industry leaders for legislation for the finance broking industry to put in place an accredited licensing scheme; and
  - (3) commends the Commonwealth Government and Australia's mortgage finance industry for their cooperative action in identifying measures including uniform legislation. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 16 February 2004.)
- 4 **AUSTRALIAN MARITIME COLLEGE:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 August 2003*) on the motion of Ms O'Byrne— 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. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 16 February 2004.)
- 5 **FILM INDUSTRY:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 August 2003—Mr Sawford*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That this House:
  - (1) commends the Australian Government on its efforts to support the local film industry;
  - (2) recognises the cultural and economic contribution that the Australian film industry makes to the nation; and
  - (3) acknowledges the excellence of the film industry training centres in Australia. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 16 February 2004.)
- 6 **DENTAL HEALTH:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 August 2003*) on the motion of Ms George—That this House:
  - (1) notes that people from poorer socio-economic backgrounds commonly experience barriers to accessing dental health care;
  - (2) recognise the adverse impact of the abolition of the Commonwealth Dental Health Program on people who cannot afford private dental care;
  - (3) recognises that poor dental health has implications for other medical conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, arthritis, respiratory disease and cancer; and
  - (4) recognises that dental health is a matter that warrants the intervention of the Federal Government. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 16 February 2004.)
- 7 **OCEAN OUTFALLS:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 August 2003—Mr Lloyd*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Hunt—That this House:
  - (1) deplores the damaging and destructive environmental impact of 142 ocean outfalls throughout Australia which are dumping treated and untreated sewage on our coastlines;
  - (2) notes the associated risks to human health, sustainable aquaculture and fisheries from the dumping of sewage into our coastal areas;
  - (3) condemns the annual waste of over 1.5 trillion litres of water throughout Australia resulting from the practice of dumping waste water rather than reusing it;
  - (4) calls upon the States to commit to the goal of ending all ocean outfall in Australia by the year 2025 and to adopt policies to achieve that goal;

- (5) calls upon all local water boards to commit to the goal of ending all ocean outfall in Australia by the end of 2025 and to adopt policies to achieve that goal; and
- (6) calls upon the Federal Government to assist the States by helping coordinate a National Ocean Outfall Strategy aimed at coordinating the ending of all ocean outfall in Australia by the year 2025. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 16 February 2004.)
- 8 PROTECTION OF AUSTRALIAN FLAGS (DESECRATION OF THE FLAG) BILL 2003: (Mrs Draper) Second reading (from 18 August 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 9 ABOLITION OF THE GOLD TRAVEL PASS FOR FORMER POLITICIANS (REFLECTING COMMUNITY STANDARDS) BILL 2003: (Mr Organ) Second reading (from 18 August 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 10 AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP FOR ELIGIBLE DE FACTO SPOUSES BILL 2003: (Ms Plibersek) Second reading (from 18 August 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 11 **CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY AND EMPLOYMENT SECURITY BILL 2003:** (Mr Crean) Second reading (from 18 August 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 12 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (UNFAIR DISMISSAL—LOWER COSTS, SIMPLER PROCEDURES) BILL 2003: (Mr Crean) Second reading (from 18 August 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 13 **TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE) BILL 2003:** (Mr Griffin) Second reading (from 18 August 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 14 TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT (A SIMPLER BUSINESS ACTIVITY STATEMENT) BILL 2003: (Mr Latham) Second reading (from 18 August 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 15 **MIDDLE EAST ROAD MAP TO PEACE:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 August 2003*) on the motion of Mr Cadman—That this House:
  - (1) commends the Israeli Cabinet for its decision to take positive steps for the resolution of conflict in the Middle East, including the adoption of the Road Map which is:
    - Phase 1 (to May 2003): End of terrorism, normalisation of Palestinian life and Palestinian political reform; Israeli withdrawal and end of settlement activity; Palestinian elections;
    - Phase 2 (June-Dec 2003): Creation of an independent Palestinian state; international conference and international monitoring of compliance with roadmap;
    - Phase 3 (2004-2005): Second international conference; permanent status agreement and end of conflict; agreement on final borders, Jerusalem, refugees and settlements; Arab states to agree to peace deals with Israel; and
  - (2) calls on all parties involved in the conflict to emulate this example and move forward to a rapid settlement. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 16 **CHILDREN WITH INSULIN DEPENDENT DIABETES:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 August 2003*) on the motion of Mr C. P. Thompson—That this House notes:
  - (1) the number of children in Australia who have insulin dependent diabetes;
  - (2) the devastating long-term health consequences and medical complications for children with insulin dependent diabetes, including:
    - (a) hypoglycaemia;
    - (b) heart disease;
    - (c) microvascular disease;
    - (d) limb amputation;
    - (e) kidney failure; and
    - (f) retinopathy or diabetic eye disease;

- (3) the outstanding work by Australian researchers to find a cure through pancreatic islet cell transplantation;
- (4) that research is the key to finding a transplant procedure that is safe and available to children; and
- (5) the need for support from the Federal Government to establish:
  - (a) a national clinical islet cell transplant centre to advance islet cell transplantation; and
  - (b) a research grant to attract the world's best scientists and ensure Australia's position at the forefront of global research. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)
- 17 **SYDNEY'S SECOND AIRPORT:** Resumption of debate (from 18 August 2003—Mr Farmer, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Murphy— That this House:
  - (1) declares that Badgery's Creek is no longer a viable site for the location of a second airport for the people of Sydney; and
  - (2) recommends that a Joint Select Committee be established to identify a site suitable for the location of Sydney's second airport, having regard to (a) aircraft noise; (b) air pollution and (c) other risks associated with aircraft movements. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 18 PARLIAMENTARY (CHOICE OF SUPERANNUATION) BILL 2003 (Mr Andren): Second reading (from 8 September 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 19 **ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 September 2003—Ms Hall, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms Livermore— That this House:
  - (1) acknowledges the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year of the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS);
  - (2) congratulates the RFDS for providing essential emergency and primary health care to the people of remote, rural and regional Australia since its establishment in 1928;
  - (3) thanks the doctors, nurses, allied health professionals, pilots, mechanics, support staff, volunteers and fundraisers for their commitment to continuing the life-saving work of the RFDS; and
  - (4) notes with concern the difficulty in recruiting and retaining health professionals in remote, rural and regional Australia that threatens to impact on the services provided by the RFDS. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 20 **AUSTRALIAN KNOWLEDGE OF ASIA:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 September 2003—Mr L. D. T. Ferguson*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Dr Southcott— That this House:
  - (1) notes the problems and possibilities identified in the report *Maximising Australia's Asia Knowledge:* repositioning and renewal of a national asset, prepared by the Asian Studies Association of Australia;
  - (2) recognises that the national interest is served by the knowledge Australians have of their world and particularly of their own diverse, complex region; and
  - (3) commends efforts by governments, educational institutions, businesses and voluntary associations to renew, enhance and extend Australian knowledge of Asia. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)
- 21 **AVIATION:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 September 2003*) on the motion of Mr M. J. Ferguson— That this House:
  - (1) acknowledges that 2003 marks the celebration of 100 years of piloted flight;
  - (2) notes the Wright Brothers' achievement in successfully undertaking the first flight as the culmination of a centuries' old quest by philosophers, scientists and engineers to turn the dream of flight into a reality that redefined the boundaries of scientific capacity;
  - (3) notes that, in the 100 years since the first piloted flight, the outstanding development in air travel has taken us from the Wright Brothers' Kitty Hawk flight to the Moon;
  - (4) recognises that the invention, growth and refinement of piloted flight has allowed us to cross and expand our boundaries, both personal, cultural, economic and national, enriching our experiences and bringing people of the world closer together;
  - (5) notes that the aviation industry has also fostered inter and intra State and Territory trade, commerce and experiences;

- (6) recognises the importance of the aviation industry to Australian jobs, skills and industry, in particular, to the tourism, aeronautical, technical, engineering, and export industries;
- (7) acknowledges the aviation industry as an important provider of high skilled jobs to Australians;
- (8) notes with disappointment the collapse of Ansett Airlines and recognises the valuable role that Ansett played in the development of the aviation industry in Australia;
- (9) notes proudly that Qantas is an Australian icon, recognised throughout the world and one of Australia's largest private sector employers;
- (10) welcomes the newer players in Australia like Virginblue and Regional Express and recognises the important contribution of regional airlines and operators to our regional communities;
- (11) acknowledges the work, enterprise, innovation, ingenuity, commitment, passion and enthusiasm of all those who have worked in aviation over the past one hundred years;
- (12) pays its respects to all those who have died in the pursuit of work and recreation in aviation;
- (13) notes the negative effect of the terrorist attacks of September 11 on the global aviation and associated industries and expresses our hope that the industry will recover;
- (14) notes the vital need for Federal Government efforts to ensure that airline passengers can travel in the safest possible environment, in particular now Australia is a terrorist target, to restore confidence in air travel; and
- (15) notes the importance of a competitive and sustainable local aviation industry. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 22 FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH CHINA AND JAPAN: Resumption of debate (from 15 September 2003—Mr Jenkins, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Hunt—That this House:
  - (1) supports the development of bilateral free trade agreements with both China and Japan;
  - (2) acknowledges the close partnership that Australia has developed with both Japan and China;
  - (3) notes the importance of trade with Japan, Australia's principal trading partner;
  - (4) notes the importance of rapidly growing trade with China which has a real annual growth rate of 7 per cent:
  - (5) acknowledges the massive economic and social benefits of a genuine free trade agreement with both China and Japan to all parties;
  - (6) realises that the ASEAN Free Trade Area, the proposed China-ASEAN FTA and Japan's proposal for a comprehensive regional economic partnership reflect the fact that China and Japan recognise that free and open trade is the best guarantee of economic prosperity and growth;
  - (7) commits to an international free trade agenda understanding that bilateral free trade agreements can complement and encourage wider free trade objectives in APEC and the WTO;
  - (8) forcefully supports an international free trade agenda as a driver for global economic prosperity, improved living standards and greater opportunities for the developing world; and
  - (9) commends the efforts of Japan and China to enhance global free trade, in particular, China's efforts to reduce average tariff rates from 40 per cent a decade ago to 11.5 per cent today. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)
- 23 **OSTEOPOROSIS:** Resumption of debate (*from 15 September 2003*) on the motion of Ms Burke—That this House:
  - (1) notes that a study commissioned by Osteoporosis Australia and a subsequent report titled *The Burden of Brittle Bones* indicated that osteoporosis is a disease that is becoming increasingly prevalent in our communities;
  - (2) notes that this report further indicated that it should be recognised that osteoporosis is a preventable and treatable disease and with more research the current trend could be reversed;
  - (3) notes with concern the statistics in this report that indicate the projected increase in numbers of patients within the population diagnosed with osteoporosis—in 2001, 1.9 million Australians, 10% of the population, were diagnosed as suffering from osteoporosis and by 2021 this figure is expected to rise to 13.2%;
  - (4) recognises the enormous cost to the health services, the community, to individual sufferers and their carers; and

- (5) calls on the Government to recognise osteoporosis as a national health priority. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 24 **FEDERAL MAGISTRATES SERVICE:** Resumption of debate (*from 15 September 2003—Ms Hoare*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Johnson—That this House:
  - (1) recognises the success of the Federal Magistrates Service since its establishment by the Commonwealth Government in 2000;
  - (2) In particular, recognises the contribution of the Federal Magistrates Service to:
    - (a) providing a quick and accessible forum for litigants involved in less complex family law and other general federal law disputes;
    - (b) increasing access to justice for Australian families, particularly those going through relationship breakdown; and
    - (c) providing an alternative and less formal court option for litigants and encouraging the use of conciliation, counselling, arbitration and mediation in appropriate cases; and
  - (3) notes the Government's recent announcement that four new Federal Magistrates are to be appointed in South-east Queensland, Newcastle, Adelaide and Melbourne to further enhance the operation of the Federal Magistrates Service. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)
- 25 **NORTH KOREA:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 October 2003—Mr Organ*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Cadman—That this House:
  - (1) condemns the abuse of human rights in North Korea and the unconscionable treatment by that government of its citizens;
  - (2) calls on the Government of North Korea to comply with international standards to reform conditions for its citizens;
  - (3) urges the DPRK to engage more fully with the international community to address Australia's and the international community's concerns over border crossers in North Korea and notes Australian support for further scrutiny by the UN Commission on Human Rights of the human rights situation in the DPRK; and
  - (4) calls on the North Korean regime to cease and desist from any development of weapons of mass destruction. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)
- 26 **INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ERADICATION OF POVERTY:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 October 2003*) on the motion of Mr Sidebottom—That this House:
  - (1) acknowledges the importance of 17 October 2003 being the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty;
  - (2) is deeply concerned about the 1.2 billion people world-wide who are required to live on less than \$1 per day, and the adverse effects on health, education, and income earning ability which result;
  - (3) supports efforts by the United Nations to reduce world poverty through the development of its Millennium Development Goals, which call for:
    - (a) halving the proportion of people living on \$1 per day and halving the number of people who suffer from hunger;
    - (b) ensuring that boys and girls alike complete primary schooling;
    - (c) eliminating gender disparity in all levels of education;
    - (d) reducing by two-thirds the under-five mortality rate;
    - (e) reducing by three-quarters the maternal mortality ratio;
    - (f) reversing the spread of HIV/AIDS, malaria and other major infectious diseases;
    - (g) ensuring environmental sustainability through integration of sustainable development into country policies and reversing the loss of environmental resources, halving the proportion of people without access to potable water and significantly improving the lives of at least 100 million slum dwellers; and
    - (h) developing a global partnership for development through raising official development assistance, expanding market access, and encouraging debt sustainability; and
  - (4) calls on all national governments and international institutions to make achievement of the Millennium Development Goals a key purpose of their international and domestic programs. (*Order*

- of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 27 **BALI BOMBING:** Resumption of debate (from *13 October 2003—Mr B. P. J. O'Connor, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That this House commends the efforts of the Indonesian Government in bringing justice to those who were responsible for the Bali bombing and, in particular:
  - (1) applauds Indonesia in formally charging 24 people in connection with the Bali bombing and the conviction of 5 of those people;
  - (2) congratulates the Indonesian police and Australian Federal Police in the rapid dismantling of the cell that carried out the attack on 12 October 2002;
  - (3) recognises and commends the Australian Federal Police for the significant role it has played in helping the Indonesian police bring these terrorists to trial; and
  - (4) commends the Government on the \$10 million package of assistance for counter-terrorism capability building. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.*)
- 28 COMMONWEALTH LAND AT POINT NEPEAN, VICTORIA BILL 2003: (Mr K. J. Thomson) Second reading (from 3 November 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 29 **RAAF CONTINGENT UBON:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 November 2003*) on the motion of Mr Baldwin—That this House:
  - (1) notes the efforts of the personnel of the RAAF Contingent Ubon who served in Thailand during the Vietnam War;
  - (2) acknowledges that these personnel were assigned to provide support operations in Ubon post-June 1965 by the Joint Planning Committee Report 110/1964;
  - (3) acknowledges this directly affected the Vietnam War in that they provided air and ground defence of the Royal Thai Air Force Base and all assets and installations the United States Air Force (USAF) collocated on the base whilst the USAF 8<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Wing undertook combat operations into North Vietnam and Laos:
  - (4) acknowledges that the RAAF 79(F) Squadron were on "Alert 5" status and provided CAP operations in Ubon;
  - (5) acknowledges that whilst the RAAF servicemen were assigned to the command and control of the USAF 7<sup>th</sup> Air Force in Vietnam, they remained under Australian control; and
  - (6) recognises the efforts of those who served in Ubon by the way of the award of the Vietnam Logistic and Support Medal (VLSM) to be worn by the amendment of the "Area of Operations" for the Vietnam War effort and by the amendment of the regulations governing the issue of the VLSM. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 30 **HEPATITIS C:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 November 2003*) on the motion of Ms George—That this House:
  - (1) acknowledges that hepatitis C is the most frequently reported notifiable disease in Australia with about 240,000 people infected and an additional 16,000 new infections each year;
  - (2) recognises that hepatitis C poses a substantial threat to the health of Australians, due to the failure of the Government to fund the implementation of the National Hepatitis C Strategy; and
  - (3) calls upon the Government to fund the implementation of the National Hepatitis C Strategy in order to:
    - (a) reduce the transmission of hepatitis C;
    - (b) improve access to hepatitis C treatments;
    - (c) support and resource programmes which maintain and promote the health, care and support of people with hepatitis C; and
    - (d) prevent discrimination and reduce the stigma and isolation of those infected with hepatitis C. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 31 **TRANSPORT AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 November 2003*) on the motion of Mr Price—That this House:

- (1) understands that Australians want decisions made on the basis of good policy and what is best for communities, not what suits the electoral pendulum;
- (2) affirms the need for an integrated approach to transport and urban development policy to tackle issues associated with the growth of our major cities;
- (3) recognises that cities need integrated transport and urban development policies involving all tiers of government and the community in the decision making process;
- (4) accepts that Labor has lead the way on these important issues with the announcement of an integrated transport plan for Sydney; and
- (5) recognises that:
  - (a) Labor will not build an airport at Badgery's Creek, nor will Labor sell the Sydney Basin airports in a cash grab that ignores community and aviation industry views;
  - (b) Labor understands that the growth ambitions of Sydney Airport are not acceptable and that a second Sydney airport is required; and
  - (c) Badgery's Creek remains the Coalition's preferred site choice for a second Sydney airport. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 32 **WEST PAPUAN REFUGEES:** Resumption of debate (from 3 November 2003—Mr Causley, in continuation) on the motion of Ms C. F. King—That this House:
  - (1) notes the Report of the January 2003 Joint Mission of the Australian Section of the International Commission of Jurists and the Australian Council for Refugees to Papua New Guinea, Seeking Refuge: the Status of West Papuans in Papua New Guinea; and
  - (2) calls on the Australian Government to endorse the Report's recommendations and, in consequence;
    - (a) negotiate an agreement with Papua New Guinea for the recognition of travel documents based on certificates of identity for the purpose of enabling students to enter Australia to pursue educational courses;
    - (b) provide humanitarian relief through AusAID or other appropriate agencies for those West Papuans in Transmitter Camp found to have refugee status;
    - (c) express its willingness to assist the government of Papua New Guinea to implement a long term solution for the West Papuans in Western Province;
    - (d) express its willingness to contribute to support and to provide aid funding to enable Papua New Guinea to put a plan in place to act as an incentive to those West Papuans to move from border camps; and
    - (e) provide places for West Papuans found to be refugees in Australia's resettlement programs. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 33 **ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 2003*) on the motion of Mr Ripoll—That this House:
  - (1) recognises the contribution of the Royal Australian Air Force to the defence of Australia;
  - (2) recognises and acknowledges the importance of the F111 fleet to the security of Australia and the region and the contribution this aircraft has made to Australia's defence;
  - (3) congratulates the Australian Defence Force Parliamentary Program for giving Members of Parliament greater access and a better working knowledge of the daily operations of our defence forces;
  - (4) congratulates RAAF Base Amberley for the great work it does as a defence base and recognises the expertise of the RAAF personnel working at the base; and
  - (5) recognises the contribution RAAF Base Amberley makes to the city of Ipswich and the community link that has been fostered over many years. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February* 2004.)
- 34 **INFRASTRUCTURE:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 2003*) on the motion of Mr P. E. King—That this House give consideration to a new program of infrastructure development in Australia called "Build the Nation" in cooperation with state and local governments and private enterprise and having regard to:
  - (1) the primary obligation of States for the maintenance of public infrastructure; and

- (2) a reasonable allocation of available resources between city and country areas. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 35 **TETANUS:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 2003*) on the motion of Ms Hoare—That this House:
  - (1) recognises that the development and distribution of the tetanus vaccine in developed countries such as Australia has lead to the virtual elimination of the disease;
  - (2) notes that tetanus continues to be a major cause of fatalities in many developing countries, with some 100 million people still at risk of contracting the disease;
  - (3) calls for measures to be implemented that will lead to the elimination of tetanus in developing countries; and
  - (4) recognises the efforts of UNICEF and its programs in attempting to reduce tetanus in communities around the world. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 36 LOCAL COMMUNITY INPUT INTO RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENTS BILL 2003 (Mr Zahra): Second reading (from 1 December 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 37 **FLAGS AMENDMENT** (EUREKA FLAG) BILL 2003 (Ms C. F. King): Second reading (from 1 December 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 38 RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS HATRED BILL 2003 (Mr McClelland): Second reading (from 1 December 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 39 ROYAL COMMISSION (HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTIONS) BILL 2003 (Mr Organ): Second reading (from 1 December 2003). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 40 **MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (CHILDREN AND FAMILIES) BILL 2003** (*Ms Roxon*): Second reading (*from 1 December 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004*.)
- 41 **PARKINSON'S DISEASE:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 December 2003*) on the motion of Mrs Gash—That this House calls on the Government to fund a national study to determine the prevalence of Parkinson's disease in the Australian community and that:
  - (1) the study determine the number of sufferers, the range of symptoms experienced by sufferers, the length of time taken to reach diagnoses of sufferers, and the extent of the load on carers and quantify the real cost of Parkinson's Disease in Australia;
  - (2) on presentation of the study to the Parliament, sufficient resources be applied to improve the diagnoses, treatment and quality of life for sufferers and their carers, in both the short and long-term; and
  - (3) included in any action subsequent to the presentation of the results of the study, further resources be made available to better educate current and future doctors, nurses and paramedics in the range of symptoms identified as pertaining to Parkinson's Disease, how to diagnose the disease and how to advise the sufferers and carers involved. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)
- 42 **FRANCHISING:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 December 2003*) on the motion of Ms Gambaro— That this House:
  - (1) recognises that franchising in Australia contributes \$80 billion to the Australian economy and represents 12% of GDP;
  - (2) acknowledges the mandatory code of conduct in franchising and its support in the sector;
  - (3) acknowledges that franchising forms an important part of small business and offers new entrants greater security than stand alone businesses;
  - (4) recognises the importance franchising plays in the export earnings of this country; and
  - (5) recognises that franchising has over 50,000 workplaces and employs more than 500,000 Australians. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 16 February 2004.)

**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 7 sitting Mondays, shall be removed from the Notice Paper (standing order 104B).

# **BUSINESS OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE**

Thursday, 4 December 2003

The Main Committee meets at 9.40 a.m.

## COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS

## Orders of the day

1 PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—ARRANGEMENTS FOR SECOND READING SPEECHES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 3 December 2003—Mr Price, in continuation) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report.

#### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

## Orders of the day

- 1 NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY CUSTOMS LEVY RATE CORRECTION (LAMB EXPORTS) BILL 2003 (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 26 November 2003—Mr Fitzgibbon).
- 2 NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY EXCISE LEVY RATE CORRECTION (LAMB TRANSACTIONS) BILL 2003 (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 26 November 2003—Mr Fitzgibbon).
- 3 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (EXCISE) LEVIES AMENDMENT (WINE GRAPES) BILL 2003 (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 26 November 2003—Mr Fitzgibbon).

#### COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS—continued

## Orders of the day—continued

- \*2 NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—QUIS COSTODIET IPSOS CUSTODES?: INQUIRY INTO GOVERNANCE ON NORFOLK ISLAND—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 3 December 2003—Mr Neville, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Neville—That the House take note of the report.
- 3 TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—REGIONAL AVIATION AND ISLAND TRANSPORT SERVICES: MAKING ENDS MEET—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 3 December 2003—Mr B. P. J. O'Connor) on the motion of Mr Neville—That the House take note of the report.
- 4 ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—REVIEW OF THE RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 3 December 2003—Mr Ripoll) on the motion of Mr Hawker—That the House take note of the report.
- 5 ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—RATES AND TAXES: A FAIR SHARE FOR RESPONSIBLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 3 December 2003—Mr Ripoll) on the motion of Mr Hawker—That the House take note of the report.
- 6 RECENT AUSTRALIAN BUSHFIRES—SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Ms J. S. McFarlane*) on the motion of Mr Nairn—That the House take note of the report.
- 7 PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE INQUIRY INTO THE ADEQUACY OF PROCEDURES FOR EXAMINING ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 25 November 2003—Mrs Gash) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report.
- 8 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON EXPANDING AUSTRALIA'S TRADE AND INVESTMENT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COUNTRIES OF CENTRAL EUROPE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 18 September 2003—Mrs Hull) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House take note of the report.

- 9 EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON INQUIRY INTO ASPECTS OF AUSTRALIA'S WORKERS' COMPENSATION SCHEMES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 18 September 2003—Dr Southcott) on the motion of Mrs D. M. Kelly—That the House take note of the report.
- 10 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE IN AUSTRALIAN COMMUNITIES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (from 17 September 2003—Mr Prosser) on the motion of Mrs Hull—That the House take note of the report.

#### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—**continued

## **Orders of the day**—continued

- 4 RESOLVING DEADLOCKS: A DISCUSSION PAPER ON SECTION 57 OF THE AUSTRALIAN CONSTITUTION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 27 November 2003—Mr Quick*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 5 ANNIVERSARY OF THE BALI TRAGEDY—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Resumption of debate (*from 15 October 2003—Mr Bartlett*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 6 **SOLOMON ISLANDS—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from* 19 August 2003—Mrs Elson) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 7 **BUSHFIRES—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 5 March 2003—Mrs May*) 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.

### Questions unanswered

Nos 101, 130, 197, 269, 685, 776, 842, 858, 876, 880, 1209, 1219, 1285, 1356, 1363, 1415, 1422, 1457, 1458, 1493, 1545, 1548-1550, 1566, 1572, 1588-1590, 1614, 1651, 1681, 1694, 1711, 1803, 1884, 1885, 1894, 1896, 1919, 1943, 1948, 1979, 1981, 1989, 1992, 2000, 2010, 2015, 2017, 2020-2024, 2028, 2035, 2047, 2069, 2074, 2137, 2142, 2154, 2156, 2161, 2166, 2169, 2176, 2180, 2192, 2194, 2206, 2208, 2209, 2212, 2213, 2215, 2216, 2221, 2231, 2234, 2253, 2258, 2260, 2261, 2263, 2274, 2297, 2298, 2305, 2317, 2320, 2327, 2335, 2336, 2344, 2349, 2359, 2365, 2370, 2371, 2374, 2388, 2392, 2396, 2404, 2405, 2409, 2414, 2418, 2427, 2428, 2430, 2432, 2434, 2438-2440, 2442, 2445, 2446, 2448-2454, 2458, 2462-2465, 2468, 2469, 2471, 2473-2475, 2497, 2499-2501, 2505, 2508-2511, 2513-2515, 2518, 2520-2523, 2525, 2526, 2528, 2529, 2531, 2532, 2535, 2546, 2548, 2550, 2553, 2559, 2561, 2563, 2566, 2568, 2569, 2571-2573, 2577-2579, 2581, 2582, 2587, 2589, 2591, 2592, 2596-2598, 2604-2606, 2608-2610, 2612-2632, 2634, 2640-2645, 2647, 2648, 2650-2653, 2655-2662, 2666, 2667, 2670-2673, 2675-2680, 2683-2702, 2704, 2707-2710, 2712, 2714-2724, 2726, 2727, 2729-2731, 2733-2758, 2760, 2761, 2763-2845.

#### 4 December 2003

#### \*2846 MR EDWARDS: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) Does he recall visiting ADF members deployed to the north coast of PNG on operation Shaddock with the then CDF in 1998.
- (2) Does he recall advising members of the ADF that they would receive formal recognition for their outstanding contribution and assistance to the deployment.
- (3) Is he aware that the soldiers have never received this formal recognition and will he now have the matter reviewed and ensure the appropriate level of recognition is granted as promised.

#### \*2847 MR PRICE: To ask the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—

- (1) What level of officer and above are able to use Australia Post computer facilities to access the Internet.
- (2) Has Australia Post Management detected a child and hard core pornography ring in Australia Post using Australia Post Internet facilities; if so, when.
- (3) How many personnel were involved and in which States were they employed.
- (4) How many personnel have been (a) suspended and (b) allowed to resign in each State.
- (4) Who within Australia Post has been conducting the investigations and who is responsible for deciding the management action in relation to those suspected of being part of this network.
- (5) Has the matter been referred to the Australian Federal Police; if so, when; if not, why not.

## \*2848 MR PRICE: To ask the Attorney-General—

- (1) Has Australia Post management requested Australian Federal Police assistance to investigate a widespread network within Australia Post accessing and downloading hard core and child pornography; if so, when.
- (2) Is he able to say when any investigation may conclude.
- (3) Have any charges been laid against any individuals.

## \*2849 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—

- (1) What are the names of the case categories that make up the case categorisation model of the Australian Federal Police.
- (2) How many hours were attributed to each of these case categories by the Australian Federal Police for each of the years from 1993 through to 2003.

- (3) What changes have been made to the case categorisation model of the Australia Federal Police since 1996.
- (4) What categories of cases have been increased in priority since 1996 and when did this change take place.
- (5) What categories of cases have not experienced any change in priority or have been decreased in priority since 1996 and, where there was a decrease, when did this decrease take place.

#### \*2850 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—

- (1) How many alleged offences associated with escaping from immigration detention centres has the Australian Federal Police investigated since 1996.
- (2) How many alleged offences associated with aiding or abetting escape from immigration detention centres has the Australian Federal Police investigated since 1996.
- (3) How many (a) successful and (b) unsuccessful prosecutions were associated with escaping from immigration detention centres since 1996.
- (4) How many (a) successful and (b) unsuccessful prosecutions were associated with aiding or abetting escape from an immigration detention centre since 1996.
- (5) What punitive measures have been handed down by the courts in the prosecutions for escape from immigration detention centres and aiding and abetting escape from immigration detention centres.

#### \*2851 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—

- (1) How many hours were attributed by the Australian Federal Police to the investigation of alleged offences in or associated with immigration detention centres for each of the recording periods available from 1996 to the present.
- (2) How many hours were attributed by the Australian Federal Police to the investigation of alleged offences at or associated with each of the immigration detention centres located at Woomera and at Port Hedland for each of the recording periods from 1996 through to the present.
- (3) How many hours were attributed by the Australian Federal Police Resident Agent in Port Hedland to the investigation of alleged offences at or associated with immigration detention centres for each of the recording periods from 1996 through to the present.
- (4) How many hours were attributed by the Australian Federal Police to all work undertaken by the Resident Agent in Port Hedland for each of the recording periods from 1996 through to the present.
- (5) How many hours were attributed by the Australian Federal Police Adelaide office to the investigation of alleged offences at or associated with immigration detention centres for each of the recording periods from 1996 through to the present.
- (6) How many hours were attributed by the Australian Federal Police to all work undertaken by the Adelaide office of the Australian Federal Police for each of the recording periods from 1996 through to the present.

## \*2852 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—

- (1) Has the Minister seen a report that more than one third of Federal offenders who have been sentenced to periodic detention in NSW are not turning up to serve their time and that the NSW Justice Minister has described the situation as scandalous.
- (2) Is it a fact that under Commonwealth laws a person can indefinitely avoid attending periodic detention if he or she has what is termed a reasonable excuse.
- (3) How many people have been convicted and sentenced to periodic detention in each of the States and Territories under Commonwealth laws in the last 12 months.
- (4) How many have been reported to the Commonwealth as not meeting their detention obligations.
- (5) What action is the Government taking on this matter.

## \*2853 MRMcCLELLAND: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—

- (1) What was the reason for 4 Blackhawk helicopters flying at a low altitude over the electoral division of Barton and adjoining electoral divisions between 1 and 2 p.m. on Thursday, 13 November 2003.
- (2) Which local organisations were informed that the flights were to occur.
- (3) Were any Federal Members of Parliament notified of the proposed flights; if not, why not.

#### \*2854 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 1346 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2003, page 23135), is it the case that the secrecy provisions under section 16 of the Income Tax Assessment Act do not preclude the Commissioner of Taxation from disclosing 'publicly available' information.
- (2) Can he explain whether the Commissioner of Taxation's letter to the NSW Bar Association on 24 January 2003 means that, in future, when requested by the NSW Bar Association, the NSW Law Society or other professional body, the Commissioner of Taxation will respond to requests made by those bodies for information on individual members if that information is already public.

#### \*2855 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 2447 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2003, page 23141), in respect of the Commissioner of Taxation's statement in his letter dated 24 January 2003 to the President of the New South Wales Bar Association that "the advice we have received to date acknowledged that there is an argument to the effect that section 16 does not prohibit the disclosure of 'publicly available' information", will he now review his response that "section 16... prevents the Commissioner of Taxation from discussing the affairs of individual taxpayers with others except when expressly empowered to do so under the Act".
- (2) Can he explain how it is possible for various media organisations including the *Sydney Morning Herald* to obtain the type of information that would otherwise be covered by section 16, while formal requests for the same information from the NSW Bar Association are denied; if not, why not.
- \*2856 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—Further to the answer to question Nos 1433 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2003, page 23135), 1592 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2003, page 23136) is he able to say what powers the Commissioner of Taxation is considering using in the recovery of unpaid tax from (a) Mr Somosi, (b) Mr Wardell, and (c) Mr Baffsky.

#### \*2857 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 1594 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2003, page 23136), how many barristers failed to lodge one or more tax returns in the financial years ending 30 June (a) 2001, (b) 2002, and (c) 2003.
- (2) What action is being taken to fortify the statutes to deter barristers and other legal professionals from defaulting on their tax obligations.
- (3) What action is being taken to increase the number of staff and other resources in the Compliance, Investigations and Defaults Section of the Australian Taxation Office to deter barristers and other legal professionals from defaulting on their tax obligations and, if no action is being taken, why not.

#### \*2858 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 1615 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2003, page 23136), can the Registrar cancel an Australia Business Number (ABN) where it is identified that the sole or substantial purpose of holding that ABN is the commission of taxation fraud.
- (2) If no other statutory grounds exist for the cancellation of an ABN, what action is he taking to ensure that the Registrar's powers are fortified and, if no action is being taken, why not.
- (3) Is a report available on data cleansing to improve the integrity of the Tax File Number and ABN registers and, in particular, the elimination of multiple ABNs; if so, where can that report be found; if no report is available, will he commission one.
- \*2859 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Treasurer—Further to the answer to question No. 1640 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2003, page 23137), is a decision flowing from the administrative process of the Australian Taxation Office's investigations a reviewable decision under the *Administrative Decisions* (*Judicial Review*) *Act* 1977; if so, who has standing to seek a review of a decision.

## \*2860 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 2406 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2003, page 23140), for the years (a) 2001, (b) 2002, and (c) 2003 what are the aggregate party-party and solicitor-client costs of debt recovery by the Commissioner of Taxation for all tax debt recovery actions against defaulting barristers who were found to breach Australian taxation law.
- (2) In what ways is the administrative process being amended to ensure greater compliance as opposed to pursuing expensive debt recovery action after the event of taxation default.

#### \*2861 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—

(1) Further to the answer to question No. 2387 (*Hansard*, 1 December 2003, page 23084), can he explain how the provisions of the *Bankruptcy Act 1966* work with the provisions of the Income Tax

- Assessment Act to ensure the early detection and prosecution of tax defaulters so that it does not take up to forty years to convict such a person.
- (2) If the provisions of the two Acts do not complement each other so as to ensure the early detection and prosecution of tax defaulters, what action is he taking to align the provisions of the Bankruptcy Act to support tax policy to prevent tax defaulters enjoying a tax free life for forty years without apparent detection.

# \*2862 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Has the Commissioner of Taxation implemented a system of routine taxpayer audits; if so, what are the provisions empowering the Commissioner to undertake such an audit.
- (2) For the financial years ending 30 June (a) 2001, (b) 2002, and (c) 2003, how many random audits of self-assessment tax payers did the Commissioner of Taxation perform.
- (3) Can he say what procedures are in force to prevent defaulting tax payers avoiding tax for long periods.
- (4) Will he implement procedures that more vigorously pursue the enforcement of the laws against tax evaders; if so, when; if not, why not.
- (5) Will he work with the Attorney-General to align the provisions of the *Bankruptcy Act 1966* and the *Family Law Act 1975* to ensure greater legislative support in the early detection and prosecution of persons who use instruments within those Acts to evade or avoid tax or to place their assets out of the reach of the Taxation Commissioner; if so, when will this action occur; if not, why not.
- \*2863 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Treasurer—Further to the answer to question No. 2459 (*Hansard*, 1 December 2003, page 23085), will he seek to amend the corporations law to require companies to report on the number of extraordinary general meetings called by shareholders and the number initiated by boards; if so, when; if not, why not.

#### \*2864 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 2277 (*Hansard*, 1 December 2003, page 23079), in respect of CLERP 9, within those reform proposals dealing with auditor qualifications, independence and services, what provisions in CLERP 9, if any, require an auditor or a person bearing that title to be a qualified accountant.
- (2) Which recommendations within CLERP 9 will ensure the prevention of auditing failures such as the collapse of the HIH and FAI Insurance group.
- (3) What provisions specifically deal with defective auditing procedures being performed by persons who are not qualified accountants.

### \*2865 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Can he confirm that, under the Superannuation Guarantee arrangements, employers must contribute 9% of employee-earnings as (a) defined by law, (b) by the terms of employment, and (c) by the superannuation fund trust deed; if not, why not.
- (2) Can he confirm that under the Superannuation Guarantee arrangements employees aged over 70 years of age are not entitled to a 9% superannuation contribution from their employer; if so, why are employees over 70 years of age and working over 30 hours a week not entitled to this superannuation contribution.
- \*2866 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—
  - (1) Is the Aged Pension Savings Bonus (APSB) an incentive for employees otherwise entitled to the aged pension to remain in employment; if so, why; if not, why not.
  - (2) Can the Minister confirm that the APSB cannot be claimed by an Australian over 65 years of age in full time employment if they had at any time previously been in receipt of an aged pension; if so, why; if not, why not.

## \*2867 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 2190 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2003, page 23139), to which previous questions does he specifically refer.
- (2) Is he aware of Section 13 of the Preliminary Draft Master Plan (PDMP) for Sydney Airport 03/04 submitted by Sydney Airport Corporation Limited (SACL) in which it states, inter alia, at paragraph 13.1 that (a) "Land use and planning within the airport site is regulated under the *Airports Act 1996* and not under the EP+A Act", (b) "Particular language is used in the Master Plan to comply with *Airports Act 1996* requirements only, and is not intended to import or apply any state land use

- planning or zoning requirements or obligations on either SACL or Sydney Airport" and (c) "where the concept of 'development' is used in this Master Plan, it describes a 'building activity' as set out in the *Airports Act 1996* (rather than the definition of 'development' in the EP+A Act)".
- (3) Is the position taken by SACL on the application of NSW planning and environmental law as described in Chapter 13 of the PDMP different from his previous responses to the earlier questions on notice to which he refers; if so, how; if not, why not.
- \*2868 MR MURPHY: To ask the Attorney-General—In respect of the ruling on 4 November 2003 by Justice Stephen O'Ryan indicating that there was prima facie evidence supporting the Australian Securities and Investment Commission's claim that an agreement to shift assets, including the family home, to the wife of Mr Jodee Rich, Mrs Maxine Rich, was entered into because of a concern about claims on her husband's property by third parties as a result of the collapse of OneTel, when will the Government amend the Family Law Act to allow the Court to examine and overturn agreements made by parties to put assets out of reach of creditors.
- \*2869 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Is he aware that on 2 December 2003 the Italian Senate gave final approval to a Bill that very significantly reduces the restrictions of media ownership in Italy.
  - (2) Is he aware that (a) the Bill groups together print, broadcast, music, Internet, publishing and the film industry; (b) the opposition has described the Bill as tailor-made for the Prime Minister of Italy, Mr Silvio Berlusconi, and (c) grave concerns have been expressed by other critics concerning the media ownership bill and its relevance to Italy's democracy.
  - (3) Will he abandon the Broadcasting Services Amendment (Media Ownership) Bill 2002 [No. 2] forthwith; if not, why not.
- \*2870 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—
  - (1) Further to the answer to question No. 2339 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2003, page 23139), for the purposes of Schedule 3 of the Customs Tariff Act 1995 is (a) cat fur, and (b) dog fur an item on that schedule; if so, (i) what is the dutiable amount of each type of fur under that Schedule, and (ii) why is cat and dog fur so scheduled.
  - (2) Does he intend to have cat and dog fur prohibited, either in itself or as part of a product including apparel, under the provisions of the *Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations 1956*; if so, when; if not, why not.
- \*2871 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—Further to the answer to question No. 2357 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2003, page 23140), when does the Minister expect the report of the Defence Signals Directorate on the theft of the two desktop personal computers and two servers to be made available.
- \*2872 MR KATTER: To ask the Prime Minister—
  - (1) Is he aware of an initiative by a group of Vietnam veterans who have established on Kalpower Station a respite area known as Pandanus Park for the use of all returned war veterans.
  - (2) Is he aware of reports that, in contrast to many government counselling services, this project is producing beneficial outcomes for the physiological well-being and mental health of veterans.
  - (3) Would the Government consider purchasing Kalpower Station from the Queensland Government, which intends to embark on a course that would preclude such a handover, and arranging for it to be held in trust for Vietnam veterans and returned servicemen from other wars.
- \*2873 MR KATTER: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Heritage—
  - (1) Is he aware that notwithstanding scientific findings by Biosecurity Australia in its Draft Impact Risk Analysis of July 2002 that the Philippines has 22 pests and diseases that Australia does not have, the Australian Ambassador to the Philippines was reported to have said that Australia "is willing to accept Philippine bananas and pineapples but under certain conditions".
  - (2) Is he aware of reports that risk management involved with a grant of access for Filippino bananas would necessitate some 20 tonnes of the toxic, ozone-depleting chemical, methyl bromide, being sprayed onto the imported fruit to decontaminate it.
  - (3) Is he also aware that there are no measures that will efficiently control the disease Moko.
  - (4) Is Biosecurity Australia, a Commonwealth Agency, subject to the provision of the *Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* which states that "The Commonwealth or a Commonwealth agency must not take inside or outside the Australian jurisdiction an action that has, will have or is likely to have a significant impact on the environment inside or outside the Australian

- jurisdiction."; if so, does Biosecurity Australia hold the required approval, declaration or other permit to allow it to give access to Filippino bananas and on what basis was such an approval given.
- (5) Will exposing Australian flora and fauna to 22 diseases and pests and/or to the heavy amounts of toxic chemicals used for risk management be likely to have a significant effect on the environment; if so, should the "precautionary principal" in the Act be applied in this case.
- (6) Does he intend to permit Biosecurity Australia to proceed with the decision to admit bananas from the Philippines.

#### \*2874 MR DANBY: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs—

- (1) In respect of the compensation scheme in place for Prisoners of War (POW) of the Japanese during World War II, their widows and families, (a) when was it announced, (b) what are the details of the scheme, (c) who is entitled to its benefits, and (d) why did the Government decide to provide compensation for POWs of the Japanese.
- (2) Is there a compensation scheme in place for POWs of the North Koreans in the Korean War; if so, (a) when was it announced, (b) what are the details of the scheme, (c) who is entitled to its benefits, and (d) why did the Government decide to provide compensation for POWs of the North Koreans; if there is not a compensation scheme, why not.
- (3) Is there a compensation scheme in place for POWs held in Europe in World War II; if so, (a) when was it announced, (b) what are the details of the scheme, (c) who is entitled to its benefits, and (d) why did the Government decide to provide compensation for POWs held in Europe in World War II; if there is not a compensation scheme, why not.
- (4) Can she confirm that the Prime Minster's office stated on 19 August 2003 that "the Government is aware of the considerable privations suffered by Prisoners of War in Europe".
- (5) Did POWs in Europe and POWs in Korea suffer similar privations as those suffered by POWs of the Japanese; if so, why are POWs in Europe not entitled to the same compensation as POWs of the Japanese; if not, which POWs were in a better situation and why.
- (6) Is the Government considering providing compensation to POWs in Europe and POWs in Korea; if so, (a) who is reviewing the situation, and (b) when will a decision be made; if not, why not.

#### \*2875 MR BRERETON: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) What has been the total cost of the preparation, publication and distribution of "Resolving Deadlocks: a discussion paper on section 57 of the Australian Constitution".
- (2) What was the total cost, including travel costs and advertising, of the work of the consultative group, chaired by the Hon. Neil Brown QC, which convened public meetings to discuss the "Resolving Deadlocks" discussion paper.
- (3) How many people attended each of the public meetings held to discuss the "Resolving Deadlocks" discussion paper.

#### \*2876 MR BRERETON: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) What was the total cost to the Australian Government of security arrangements and measures put in place for the visit to Australia of the US President, Mr George W. Bush, in October 2003.
- (2) What was the cost to the Australian Government of operations by the Royal Australian Air Force to provide security during the US President's visit.
- \*2877 **MR BRERETON:** To ask the Prime Minister—What was the total cost, including a breakdown of costs for travel, accommodation, security and other expenses, of the Prime Minister's visit to the United Kingdom in November 2003.
- \*2878 **MR BRERETON:** To ask the Prime Minister—What is the total value of gifts, sponsored travel and hospitality received by the (a) Prime Minister, (b) Deputy Prime Minister, (c) Treasurer, and (d) Minister for Foreign Affairs and declared to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet in accordance with the Government's guidelines concerning the receipt of gifts and hospitality.

### \*2879 MR BRERETON: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) Since December 2001, what official gifts have been presented to visiting Heads of State, Heads of Government and Ministers of foreign governments.
- (2) Who presented these gifts and what was the value of each gift.
- (3) Since December 2001, what official gifts have been purchased for presentation by Australian Parliamentary delegations travelling overseas and what was the value of those gifts.

#### \*2880 MR BRERETON: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) What is the value of the current three-year contract for the provision of official gifts by Jaymac Promotional Advertising Proprietary Limited in association with Beaver Galleries.
- (2) What services are provided to the Australian Government under this contract.
- (3) What company or organisation previously provided these services and at what cost.

## \*2881 MR ALBANESE: To ask the Minister for Employment Services—

- (1) Over the duration of ESC2 what proportion of (a) jobseekers, and (b) disadvantaged jobseekers undertook Intensive Assistance (i) once, (ii) twice, and (iii) three or more times.
- (2) What proportion of (a) jobseekers, and (b) disadvantaged jobseekers who undertook Intensive Assistance (i) once, (ii) twice, and (iii) three or more times obtained an employment outcome.
- (3) Can he provide this information for different sub-groups which experience disadvantage in the labour market.
- \*2882 MR ALBANESE: To ask the Minister for Employment Services—Over the duration of ESC2 and for each employment assistance program, what were the levels of educational attainment (i.e. did not complete Year 12; completed secondary school; holds a university qualification; or holds a trade qualification) of those jobseekers who secured employment after participating in an employment assistance program.

## \*2883 MR ALBANESE: To ask the Minister for Employment Services—

- (1) For the financial year (a) 2000-2001, (b) 2001-2002, and (c) 2002-2003 and for each employment assistance program, what proportion of jobseekers exited employment assistance programs before the cessation of the prescribed period.
- (2) Of the premature exits, what proportion went into (a) employment, and (b) further education and training, or (c) are no longer in the labour force.

## \*2884 MR ALBANESE: To ask the Minister for Employment Services—

- (1) For the period 1 July 2003 to 1 December 2003 what was the total value of the activities, services and items purchased by Job Network providers using Jobseeker Account funds.
- (2) How many jobseekers were assisted.
- (3) What proportion of long-term jobseekers have had funds from their Jobseeker Account spent on them and what was the average amount spent on each long-term jobseeker.
- \*2885 **MR ALBANESE:** To ask the Minister for Employment Services—Can he provide details of the outcomes (i.e. employed full-time, employed part-time, total employed, not in the labour force, receiving further assistance, in education and training, number of exits) achieved by each labour market assistance program (i.e. Job Matching, Job Search Training, Intensive Assistance, Work for the Dole, NEIS, Transition to Work) over the duration of ESC2.

## \*2886 MR GIBBONS: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) What fees have been charged each year since 1996 for courses offered by La Trobe University Bendigo.
- (2) How many students have undertaken each course in each year.
- (3) How many newly enrolled students in each course have deferred fee payments under the HECS scheme in each year since 1996 and what proportion of all students enrolling in each course do they represent.
- (4) What was the total number of students in each year since 1996 who deferred fee payment.
- (5) What was the average HECS debt incurred in each year since 1996 by (a) students in each course, and (b) all students at La Trobe University, Bendigo.
- (6) What was the total of new HECS debt incurred by La Trobe University, Bendigo, students in each year since the introduction of the HECS scheme and what is the total HECS debt incurred by students to date.

(7) What have been the recurrent costs of La Trobe University, Bendigo, in each year since the commencement of HECS and what are the amounts and proportions of the costs that have been met from fee income.

# I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives

#### SPEAKER'S PANEL

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

## **COMMITTEES**

Unless otherwise shown, appointed for life of 40th Parliament

### **Standing**

Pursuant to standing orders

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

Current inquiry:

Capacity building in indigenous communities.

**AGEING:** Mr Cobb (*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 Ley, Mr Schultz, Mr Secker, Mr Sidebottom, Mr Tuckey, Mr Windsor, Mr Zahra.

Current inquiry:

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

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

Current inquiries:

Future opportunities for Australia's film, animation, special effects and electronic games industries. 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:

Review of the Reserve Bank of Australia Report for 2002-03 and Payment System Board Report for 2002-03.

**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:** Mr Barresi (*Chair*), Mr Bevis, Mr Dutton, Ms Hall, Mr Hartsuyker, Mr Lloyd, Ms Panopoulos, Mr Randall, Ms Vamvakinou, Mr Wilkie.

Current inquiry:

Employment: Increasing participation in paid work

**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:

Sustainable cities 2025.

**FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:** Mrs Hull (*Chair*), Mr Cadman, Ms Draper, Mr Dutton, Ms George, Mrs Irwin, Mr Pearce, Mr Price, Mr Quick, Mr C. P. Thomson.

Current inquiries:

Child custody arrangements in the event of family separation.

Children's developmental health and well being.

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 Haase, Mr Hatton, Mr McLeay, Mr Randall, Mr C. P. Thomson, Mr Tollner, Dr Washer.

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

Current inquiries:

Averment provisions in customs legislation

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.

**PUBLICATIONS:** Mr Randall (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Cobb, Mrs Elson, Mr Evans, 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:

Coordination of the science to combat salinity.

**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 inquiries:

National road safety.

Privatisation of regional infrastructure and government business enterprises.

#### Select

RECENT AUSTRALIAN BUSHFIRES (Formed 26 March 2003): Mr Nairn (Chair), Mr Adams, Mr Bartlett, Mr Causley, Ms Ellis, Mrs Gash, Mr Gibbons, Mr Hawker, Mr McArthur, Mr Mossfield, Mr G. M. O'Connor, Mr Organ, Ms Panopoulos, Mr Schultz (Final report presented 5 November 2003; Committee dissolved.)

#### **Joint Statutory**

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

Current inquiries:

Intelligence information received by Australia's intelligence services in relation to weapons of mass destruction.

Intelligence Services Amendment Bill 2003.

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.

Current inquiries:

Cybercrime.

Trafficking in women for sexual servitude.

**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:** Senator Chapman (*Chair*), Mr Byrne, Mr Ciobo, Mr Griffin, Mr Hunt, Mr McArthur, Senator Brandis, Senator Conroy, Senator Murray, Senator Wong.

Current inquiries:

Australia's insolvency laws.

CLERP (Audit Reform and Corporate Disclosure) Bill and related matters.

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: Senator Johnston (*Chair*), Mrs Hull, Mrs Ley, Mr McMullan, Mr Secker, Mr Snowdon, Senator Crossin, 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 Hogg, Senator Humphries, Senator Lundy, Senator Murray, Senator Scullion, Senator Watson.

Current inquiries:

Management and integrity of electronic information in the Commonwealth.

Review of Aviation Security in Australia.

**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 inquiry:

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.

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

Current inquiries:

Annual reports for 2001-2002—

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Austrade.

Australia Indonesia Institute.

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 defence relations with the United States of America

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.

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 inquiry:

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:

Governance on Norfolk Island.

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).

Role of the National Capital Authority.

**TREATIES** (*Formed 14 February 2002*): Dr Southcott (*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.

Current inquiries:

Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 and the Ship and Port Facility Security Code (ISPS).

Optional Protocol to the Convention against torture and other cruel, Inhuman or degrading Treatment or Punishment.

Treaty tabled on 3 December 2002 (V&P, page 598.)

Treaties tabled on 2 & 3 December 2003 (V&P, page 1354.)

## 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).