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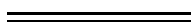
THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 86

WEDNESDAY, 18 MARCH 2009



1 The House met, at 9 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (Mr Jenkins) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS MOVED

Mr Baldwin moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Member for Paterson moving immediately—That the House:

- (1) notes that, in February 2009, the Rudd Labor Government awarded a \$40 million contract to an American company for the development of nine joint light tactical vehicle prototypes;
- (2) notes that the Rudd Labor Government failed to consider an Australian defence industry manufacturer as a possible supplier;
- (3) condemns the Rudd Labor Government for failing to recognise Australian defence industries' capability and expertise in delivering military vehicles;
- (4) acknowledges that the contract for 1,300 vehicles will be in excess of \$1.3 billion and would support over 350 direct jobs and hundreds more indirect jobs in Australia;
- (5) acknowledges the economic and social contribution to the Bendigo community of the successful Bushmaster project; and
- (6) calls on the Rudd Labor Government to immediately provide funding to the Bushmaster plant at Bendigo to enable it to progress Australian designed and built prototypes for consideration in the replacement program.

Closure of Member

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) moved—That the Member be no longer heard.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Jenkins, in the Chair)—

AYES, 78

Mr Adams	Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea
Mr Albanese	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll
Mr Bevis	Mrs Elliot	Ms King	Ms Rishworth
Mr Bidgood	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Mr Shorten
Mr Bowen	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Bradbury	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	Mr S. F. Smith
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McMullan	Mr Snowdon
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Garrett	Mr Marles	Mr Sullivan
Mr Butler	Mr Georganas	Mr Melham	Mr Swan
Mr Byrne	Ms George	Mr Murphy	Mr Symon
Ms Campbell	Mr Gibbons	Ms Neal	Mr Tanner
Mr Champion	Ms Gillard	Mr Neumann	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gray	Mr O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Clare	Ms Grierson	Ms Owens	Mr Trevor
Ms Collins	Mr Griffin	Ms Parke	Mr Turnour
Mr Combet	Mr Hale	Mr Perrett	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zappia
Mr Danby	Mr Hayes*	Mr Price	
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	

NOES, 62

Mr Abbott	Mr Forrest	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock
Mr Andrews	Mrs Gash	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Schultz
Fran Bailey	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Scott
Mr Baldwin	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Secker
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Simpkins
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Slipper
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mr Morrison	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Briggs	Mr Hockey	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Hull*	Dr Nelson	Dr Southcott
Mr Chester	Mr Hunt	Mr Neville	Dr Stone
Mr Ciobo	Mr Irons	Mr Pearce	Mr Truss
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Pyne	Mrs Vale
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson*	Mr Ramsey	Dr Washer
Mr Coulton	Mr Keenan	Mr Randall	Mr Wood
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Robb	
Mr Farmer	Ms Ley	Mr Robert	

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Dr Nelson (seconder) addressing the House—

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion for the suspension of standing and sessional orders be agreed to—put.

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And so it was negatived.

3 FAMILY ASSISTANCE AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (2008 BUDGET AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2009

Ms Macklin (Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to family assistance and social security, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Macklin presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Ms Macklin moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Lindsay), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

4 SOCIAL SECURITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (IMPROVED SUPPORT FOR CARERS) BILL 2009

Ms Macklin (Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Social Security Act 1991*, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Macklin presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Ms Macklin moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Lindsay), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

5 FUEL QUALITY STANDARDS AMENDMENT BILL 2009

Mr Garrett (Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Fuel Quality Standards Act 2000*, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Garrett presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Garrett moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Lindsay), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

6 DEFENCE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2009

Mr Snowdon (Minister for Defence Science and Personnel), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend legislation relating to defence, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Snowdon presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Snowdon moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Lindsay), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

7 HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT AMENDMENT (VET FEE-HELP AND PROVIDERS) BILL 2009

Ms K. M. Ellis (Minister for Youth), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms K. M. Ellis presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Ms K. M. Ellis moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Dr Southcott), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

8 NATIONAL GREENHOUSE AND ENERGY REPORTING AMENDMENT BILL 2009

Mr Combet (Parliamentary Secretary for Climate Change), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Act 2007*, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Combet presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Combet moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr A. D. H. Smith), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

9 SOCIAL SECURITY AMENDMENT (LIQUID ASSETS WAITING PERIOD) BILL 2009—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee, a Governor-General's message recommending an appropriation had been reported, and the bill had been agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mr M. J. Ferguson (Minister for Resources and Energy), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

10 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2009 MEASURES NO. 1) BILL 2009

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the bill be now read a second time—

Question—put and passed—bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 164, 10 February 2009, from Her Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved immediately.

On the motion of Mr Bowen (Assistant Treasurer), the bill was read a third time.

11 AUSCHECK AMENDMENT BILL 2009

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Ms Ley addressing the House—

It being 2 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 97, Ms Ley was granted leave to continue her speech when the debate is resumed, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

12 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Documents

Ms Gillard (Minister for Education) presented the following documents:

School funding—

Lists of schools eligible—

for Primary Schools for the 21st Century program.

for National Schools Pride funding.

to apply for a science and/or language centre.

Working drawings for proposed community building for Eatons Hill State School—

Foundation plan.

Floor plan.

Site plan detail.

Diagrammatic electrical plan.

Questions without notice continuing—

Member directed to leave

At 3.47 p.m. the Member for North Sydney (Mr Hockey) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for continuing to interject after a warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continued.

13 DOCUMENT

The following document was presented:

Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency—Quarterly report of the Chief Executive Officer for the period 1 October to 31 December 2008.

14 DOCUMENT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Mr L. D. T. Ferguson (Parliamentary Secretary for Multicultural Affairs and Settlement Services) presented the following document:

Department of Immigration and Citizenship—Access and equity in government services—Report for 2006-08.

Mr L. D. T. Ferguson and Dr Stone, by leave, made statements in connection with the document.

15 FIFA WORLD CUP BID—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Ms K. M. Ellis (Minister for Sport), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to Australia's bid to host the FIFA World Cup.

Suspension of standing and sessional orders—Time for speech

Ms K. M. Ellis, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent Dr Southcott speaking in reply to the ministerial statement for a period not exceeding 6½ minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Dr Southcott addressed the House.

16 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—REGIONAL AUSTRALIA

The House was informed that Mr Oakeshott had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The urgent need to shape regional Australia's future".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Oakeshott addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

17 HIGHER EDUCATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (STUDENT SERVICES AND AMENITIES, AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2009—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Main Committee had resolved that further proceedings on the bill be conducted in the House, and presented a certified copy of the bill.

Ordered—That further proceedings on the bill be made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

18 AUSCHECK AMENDMENT BILL 2009

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Documents

Mr McClelland (Attorney-General) presented the following documents:

AusCheck Amendment Regulations 2009—Exposure draft.

Privacy impact statement—The AusCheck Amendment Bill 2009 and the national security background check—

Prepared for AusCheck, 3 March 2009.

Commentary on recommendations, March 2009.

Question—put and passed—bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved immediately.

On the motion of Mr McClelland, the bill was read a third time.

19 HIGHER EDUCATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (STUDENT SERVICES AND AMENITIES, AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2009

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Document

Mr Cheeseman, by leave, presented the following document:

Australian Young Labor, Victorian branch—Copy of photograph of the leadership of the Social Democratic Students Association of Victoria.

Mr Cheeseman addressing the House—

20 ADJOURNMENT

It being 7.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Petition

Mr Macfarlane presented the following petition approved by the Standing Committee on Petitions:

Toowoomba bypass—26,602 petitioners.

Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until 8 p.m.—The Deputy Speaker adjourned the House until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 18 March 2009:

Defence Act—Determinations under section 58B—2009 Nos 16, 17, 18, 19, 20.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Katter and Mr Tuckey.

I. C. HARRIS
Clerk of the House of Representatives

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 86

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, 18 MARCH 2009

1 The Main Committee met at 9.30 a.m.

2 **MEMBERS' CONSTITUENCY STATEMENTS**

Members' constituency statements were made.

3 **HIGHER EDUCATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (STUDENT SERVICES AND AMENITIES, AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2009**

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Ms Hall moved—That further proceedings on the bill be conducted in the House.

Question—put and passed.

4 **ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Mr Marles, the Main Committee adjourned at 1.02 p.m.

The Deputy Speaker fixed 9.30 a.m. tomorrow for the next meeting of the Main Committee.

B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the Main Committee