

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SELECTION COMMITTEE

REPORT No. 76

Committee and delegation business;

private Members' business,

and

referral of bills to committees

13 March 2013

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Report relating to the consideration of committee and delegation business and of private Members' business; and referral of bills to committees

1. The committee met in private session on Tuesday, 12 March 2013.
2. The committee determined the order of precedence and times to be allotted for consideration of committee and delegation business and private Members' business on Monday, 18 March 2013, as follows:

Items for House of Representatives Chamber (10.10 am to 12 noon)

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION BUSINESS

Presentation and statements

1 Joint Standing Committee on Treaties

Report 132: Treaties tabled on 18 September and 30 October 2012.

The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.15 am.

Speech time limits —

Mrs Prentice — 5 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 1 x 5 mins]

2 Parliamentary Joint Committee on the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity

Examination of the Annual Report of the Integrity Commissioner 2011-12.

The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.25 am.

Speech time limits —

Mr Cheeseman — 5 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 5 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 5 mins]

3 Parliamentary Delegation

Parliamentary Delegation to the Kingdom of Morocco and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria.

The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.30 am.

Speech time limits —

Dr Stone — 5 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 1 x 5 mins]

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

- 1 MR HOCKEY:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to taxation and for related purposes. (*Tax Laws Amendment (Disclosure of MRRT Information) Bill 2013*) (Notice given 11 February 2013.)

Time allotted — 10 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Hockey — 10 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 1 x 10 mins]

Presenter may speak for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41.

- 2 MR WILKIE:** To present a Bill for an Act relating to maritime safety to ensure the maintenance of standards of training and certification of marine engineers. (*Marine Engineers Qualification Bill 2013*) (Notice given 12 February 2013.)

Time allotted — 10 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Wilkie — 10 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 1 x 10 mins]

Presenter may speak for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41.

- 3 MR KATTER:** To present a Bill for an Act to provide for warning labels in relation to imported food, and for related purposes. (*Imported Food Warning Labels Bill 2013*) (Notice given 12 March 2013.)

Time allotted — 10 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Katter — 10 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 1 x 10 mins]

Presenter may speak for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41.

- 4 MR C. R. THOMSON:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs Act 1901*, and for related purposes. (*Customs Amendment (Prohibition of Certain Coal Exports) Bill 2013*) (Notice given 12 March 2013.)

Time allotted — 10 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr C. R. Thomson — 10 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 1 x 10 mins]

Presenter may speak for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41.

- 5 MS ROWLAND:** To move—that this house:

- (1) commends the historic achievement of the previous Labor Government in establishing universal superannuation through the Superannuation Guarantee;
- (2) notes:
 - (a) that Australia's total superannuation savings are projected to be \$500 billion higher by June 2037 as a result of the Government's superannuation policies;
 - (b) that Australia now has the fourth largest pool of retirement fund assets among OECD states;
 - (c) the key findings in the report prepared by the Allen Consulting Group for the Association of Superannuation Funds of Australia, *Enhancing Financial Stability and Economic Growth: The Contribution of Superannuation*, that the:
 - (i) superannuation sector assisted Australia in avoiding some of the worst consequences of the Global Financial Crisis;
 - (ii) increase in the Superannuation Guarantee from nine to twelve per cent will benefit 8.4 million Australians; and

- (iii) superannuation sector plays an increasingly important role helping to fund Australia's investment needs;
 - (d) data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics that whilst the mean superannuation balance for women almost doubled in the period between 2000 and 2007, there remains considerable disparity in the mean superannuation balances in the accumulation phase for females compared to males;
 - (e) that the Government's Low Income Superannuation Contribution will boost the superannuation savings of 23,400 people in Greenway and 25,200 in Canberra; and
- (3) supports the need to preserve the Low Income Superannuation Contribution which benefits 3.6 million Australians, of whom 2.1 million are working women. (*Notice given 12 March 2013.*)

Time allotted — 40 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Rowland — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 4 x 5 mins]

The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.

Orders of the day

1 PROTECTING LOCAL JOBS (REGULATING ENTERPRISE MIGRATION AGREEMENTS) BILL 2012 (Mr Bandt): Second reading — Resumption of debate (*from 11 February 2013*).

Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 12 noon.

Speech time limits —

All Members speaking — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 5 mins]

The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.

Items for House of Representatives Chamber (8 to 9.30 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Orders of the day - continued

1 FAIR WORK (REGISTERED ORGANISATIONS) AMENDMENT (TOWARDS TRANSPARENCY) BILL 2013 (Mr Abbott): Second reading (*from 11 February 2013*).

Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 9.30 pm.

Speech time limits —

Mr Abbott — 15 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 15 minutes.

Next four Members speaking — 10 minutes each.

Next four Members speaking — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 15 + 4 x 10 + 4 x 5 mins]

The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.

Items for Federation Chamber (approx 11 am to approx 1.30 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Orders of the day

1 MARRIAGE EQUALITY AMENDMENT BILL 2012 (Mr Bandt): Second reading — Resumption of debate (*from 18 June 2012*).

Time allotted — 20 minutes.

All Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 4 x 5 mins]

The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.

Notices

1 **DR LEIGH:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) a bipartisan parliamentary report recommended the creation of the Parliamentary Budget Office, which is now operational having passed Parliament with bipartisan support;
 - (b) the Australian people deserve a proper policy debate in 2013, with all parties presenting properly costed policies; and
 - (c) the updated information contained in the Pre-Election Economic and Fiscal Outlook will not affect the cost of most policies, and therefore release of fully costed policies should not be delayed until then; and
- (2) calls on all parties to have their policies costed consistent with the Charter of Budget Honesty, and release them to the Australian people in enough time to have a well-informed debate. (*Notice given 12 March 2013.*)

Time allotted — 60 minutes.

Dr Leigh — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 8 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

2 **MR OAKESHOTT:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises the need for comprehensive tax reform to maximise the standard of living for Australians for the next 50 years; and
- (2) encourages the Treasurer to:
 - (a) release a 10 year road-map for comprehensive tax reform as a standalone Budget Paper as part of the 2013-14 Budget, and
 - (b) include reform for consideration beyond the 4 year forward estimates period. (*Notice given 11 September 2012.*)

Time allotted — 40 minutes.

Mr Oakeshott — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Orders of the day - continued

2 MIGRATION AMENDMENT (REINSTATEMENT OF TEMPORARY PROTECTION VISAS) BILL 2013 (*Mr Morrison*): Second reading (*from 11 February 2013*).

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Mr Morrison — 15 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 15 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 15 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue at a later hour.*

Items for Federation Chamber (approx 6.30 pm to 9 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices - continued

3 MR S. P. JONES: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes:
 - (a) the growth of self-managed superannuation schemes investment structures by Australians seeking to grow their retirement savings;
 - (b) that there is \$1.4 trillion in Australian superannuation assets;
 - (c) self-managed superannuation funds are the largest single sector in superannuation; and
 - (d) the severe hardship caused to investors in Trio Capital, which collapsed as a result of fraudulent activity and which was the largest superannuation fraud in Australian history, with around \$176 million lost or missing;
- (2) acknowledges that while investors in the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) regulated superannuation funds were eligible for compensation through a member-funded levy under Part 23 of the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993*, no such member-funded compensation scheme exists for investors in self-managed superannuation schemes;
- (3) notes the legal and resource limitations regarding supervision and detection of fraud by government regulators and prosecutors such as the APRA, Australian Securities and Investments Commission and Australian Federal Police in respect of failed offshore financial investment vehicles; and
- (4) calls on the:
 - (a) self-managed superannuation sector and policy makers to work together to achieve consensus on the establishment of a member-funded compensation scheme for self-managed superannuation scheme investors who have been subject to fraud; and

- (b) Government to work with regulators to enhance fraud detection and prevention in the superannuation system. (*Notice given 11 February 2013.*)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Mr S. P. Jones — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 2 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Orders of the day - continued

3 FAIR WORK AMENDMENT (TACKLING JOB INSECURITY) BILL 2012

(*Mr Bandt*): Second reading (*from 26 November 2012*).

Time allotted — 20 minutes.

Mr Bandt — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Notices - continued

4 MR HAYES: To move—That this House:

(1) notes that:

- (a) there are grave reports of gross human rights violations in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (SRV) including evidence of continued house detention and imprisonment of notable human rights activists including the Nobel Peace Prize nominee, the Most Venerable Thich Quang Do, Patriarch of the Unified Buddhist Church of Vietnam, Reverend Nguyen Van Ly, from the Vietnamese Catholic Church, Dr Nguyen Dan Que, Jurist Dr Cu Huy Ha Vu, and a popular young peace songwriter, Vo Minh Tri (known as Viet Khang);
- (b) there is evidence of continued human rights violations by the legal and political system of the SRV as demonstrated in the recent trial and conviction of 14 human rights activists in January 2013;
- (c) trade union organisers Doan Huy Chuong, Do Thi Minh Hanh and Nguyen Hoang Quoc Hung have spent more than two and a half years in custody convicted for ‘national security’ charges which emanated from their involvement in organising workers at a shoe factory;

- (d) despite the SRV being a signatory to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, human rights activists are often denied a fair trial and prevented from defending themselves or calling upon witnesses for their defence; and
 - (e) on 10 December 2012, a petition was handed to the Australian Government as part of the Million Hearts, One Voice Campaign, containing more than 15,000 signatures from local Vietnamese communities in Australia, and more than 135,000 signatures worldwide, drawing attention to the ongoing human rights abuses in Vietnam; and
- (2) calls on the Australian Government to:
- (a) investigate the situation of arbitrary detention, inhumane prison conditions and lack of legal due process in Vietnam;
 - (b) encourage a ‘whole of Government’ approach on bilateral and multilateral bases with the SRV, particularly where the issue of human rights is concerned;
 - (c) take appropriate steps to convey to the Vietnamese Government that Australia expects Vietnam to honour the undertakings it freely entered into when it became a member of the United Nations and a signatory to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; and
 - (d) ensure that the matters contained in this motion are brought to the attention of the 2013 Australia Vietnamese Human Rights dialogue. (*Notice given 12 March 2013.*)

Time allotted — 20 minutes.

Mr Hayes — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Orders of the day - continued

2 MIGRATION AMENDMENT (REINSTATEMENT OF TEMPORARY PROTECTION VISAS) BILL 2013 (*Mr Morrison*): Second reading (*from 11 February 2013*).

Time allotted — 60 minutes.

Speech time limits —

First four Members speaking — 10 minutes each.

Next four Members speaking — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 4 x 10 mins + 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Notices - continued

5 MR HUSIC: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the tremendous contributions of Australia's Bangladeshi community;
- (2) shows concern at reports of human rights violations in Bangladesh, and claims that political activists and journalists are being targeted for persecution, abuse and physical violence; and
- (3) encourages the Australian Government to engage with the Bangladeshi Government to progress democratic reform within that country. (*Notice given 9 October 2012.*)

Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 9 pm.

Mr Husic — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 4 x 5 mins]

The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.

3. The committee determined that the following bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Infrastructure and Communications:

- Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Dividend) Bill 2013.

REASONS FOR REFERRAL/PRINCIPAL ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION:

There is concern about bandwidth issues arising from the bill, particularly as it might affect community groups.

4. The committee recommends that the following items of private Members' business listed on the notice paper be voted on:

Orders of the Day—

Newstart Allowance (Mr Bandt).

ANNA BURKE MP
Chair

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