

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**SELECTION COMMITTEE**

**REPORT No. 52**

Committee and delegation business

and

private Members' business

**23 May 2012**

## MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

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## Report relating to the consideration of committee and delegation business and of private Members' business

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1. The committee met in private session on Tuesday, 22 May 2012.
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, 28 May 2012, as follows:

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

#### COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION BUSINESS

##### Presentation and statements

##### 1 Standing Committee on Climate Change, Environment and the Arts

*Case Studies on Biodiversity Conservation: Volume 1; First interim report of the inquiry into Australia's biodiversity in a changing climate*

*The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10:20 a.m.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Zappia — 5 minutes.*

*Next Member speaking — 5 minutes.*

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

##### 2 Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security

*Review of the re-listing of Ansar al-Islam, Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan, Jaish-e-Mohammad and Lashkar-e-Jhangvi*

*The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10:30 a.m.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Byrne — 5 minutes.*

*Next Member speaking — 5 minutes.*

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

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

### Notices

- 1 MR BANDT:** To present a Bill for an Act to establish the office of the National Integrity Commissioner, and for related purposes (*National Integrity Commissioner Bill 2012*). (Notice given 22 May 2012)

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

### Order of the day

- 1 AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP AMENDMENT (DEFENCE SERVICE REQUIREMENT) BILL 2012** (*Mr Robert*): Second reading (*from 21 May 2012*)

*Time allotted — 50 minutes*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Robert — 10 minutes.*

*Next 3 Members speaking — 10 minutes each.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

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

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

### Notices — continued

- 2 MR BANDT:** To move—That this House:

- (1) resolves that Newstart payments are too low and should increase by \$50 per week; and
- (2) calls on the Government to find an appropriate savings measure to fund this increase. (Notice given 22 May 2012)

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

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Bandt — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking = 6 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

Notices — continued

**3 MR HAYES:** To move— That this House:

- (1) notes that:
  - (a) there are increasing 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 the latest jailing without trial of Vo Minh Tri known as Viet Khang, a popular young peace songwriter; and
  - (b) since 2002, Australia and the SRV have had eight rounds of dialogue on human rights with no apparent results; and
- (2) calls on the Australian Government to:
  - (a) establish and supervise a Vietnam Human Rights Dialogue Group that would involve Members of Parliament, Senators, as well as the wider community;
  - (b) consider the issues of human rights in the SRV when allocating funding under Australia's overseas development aid program; and
  - (c) encourage a more 'whole of government' approach on bilateral and multilateral bases with the SRV, particularly where the issue of human rights is concerned. (*Notice given 8 May 2012*)

*Time allotted — 60 minutes*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Hayes — 15 minutes.*

*Next Member speaking — 15 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 2 x 15 + 6 x 5 mins]

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

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

- (1) endorses the draft code of conduct at Appendix 5 of the report of the House of Representatives Standing Committee of Privileges and Members' Interests, *Draft Code of Conduct for Members of Parliament*; and

- (2) requests the Leader of the House to bring forward urgently for the House's consideration the proposed changes to standing orders and resolutions of the House necessary to give effect to the Code, procedures for considering complaints under the Code, and for the role of the Standing Committee of Privileges and Members' Interests in oversight of the Code. (*Notice given 22 May 2012*)

*Time allotted — 10 minutes*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Oakeshott — 5 minutes.*

*Next Member speaking — 5 minutes.*

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

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

**5 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To move— That this House:

- (1) notes that:

- (a) on 15 February 2012, Secretary-General of the United Nations, Ban Ki-Moon, called for a genuine, all-inclusive and meaningful dialogue that meets the legitimate aspirations of all Bahrainis as the only way to promote peace and stability in the country, and noted the harsh sentences given to 21 political activists, human rights defenders and opposition leaders;
- (b) on 23 November 2011, His Majesty Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa announced his acceptance of a report from the Bahrain Independent Commission of Inquiry headed by Professor M. Cherif Bassiouni where, systematic violation of basic human rights were established;
- (c) major international human rights organisations such as Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch, Human Rights First and Physician of Human Rights expressed their disappointment that the Bahraini regime did not stop the ongoing violation nor stop the impunity given to senior officials responsible, and the United States and European governments are calling for the regime to apply real political reform; and

- (d) on 21 December 2011, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Ms. Navanethem Pillay, released a call to Bahraini authorities to address the ‘deepening mistrust’ between the Bahraini Government and civil society, advocating the release of people detained for participating in peaceful protests and calling for confidence-building measures, including unconditionally releasing those convicted in military tribunals awaiting trial for merely exercising their fundamental rights to freedom of expression and assembly, also stating that Bahrain trials bear marks of ‘political persecution’; and
- (2) calls on the Australian Government to raise these human rights abuses in international fora. (*Notice given 8 May 2012*)

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

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr L. D. T. Ferguson— 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.*

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

### **PRIVATE MEMBERS’ BUSINESS**

#### **Notices**

#### **1 MR GEORGANAS:** To move—That this House:

- (1) joins the World Health Organization in promoting World No Tobacco Day on Thursday 31 May 2012;
- (2) notes that:
  - (a) the theme for this year's World No Tobacco Day is ‘tobacco industry interference’;
  - (b) the campaign will focus on the need to expose and counter the tobacco industry's brazen and increasingly aggressive attempts to undermine global tobacco control efforts; and
  - (c) tobacco use is one of the leading preventable causes of death worldwide killing nearly 6 million people each year, of which more than 600,000 are people exposed to second-hand smoke; and
- (3) acknowledges that:
  - (a) tobacco smoking remains the single largest preventable cause of premature death and disease in Australia;
  - (b) smoking accounts for approximately 15,500 deaths each year and losses to the Australian economy of \$31.5 billion a year;

- (c) even though smokers are much better informed today about the health effects of smoking, many continue to ignore the risks with around 2.8 million Australians still smoking daily; and
- (d) 1 in 2 smokers will die as a result of smoking. (*Notice given 21 May 2012*)

*Time allotted — 60 minutes*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Georganas — 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.*

### **Order of the day**

**1 GAMBLING REFORM:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 February 2012*) on the motion of Mr Oakeshott—That this House calls on the Council of Australian Governments to implement a National Partnership Agreement on gambling reform, that agrees to:

- (1) implement a:
  - (a) national cap on electronic gaming machines; and
  - (b) long term national reduction strategy on electronic gaming machines underneath a national cap;
- (2) refer the issue of revenue loss from a national reduction strategy to the State Tax Working Group, set up by the Tax Forum, so that any losses incurred are spread across State and Commonwealth revenues; and
- (3) include online gaming reform, sports betting reform and horse, harness and greyhound race coverage reform to address links between problem gambling and national health outcomes, as well as any links to the proceeds of crime, money laundering and community safety.

*Time allotted — 20 minutes*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Oakeshott — 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

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

- (1) notes that:
  - (a) international civil aviation has been included in the European Union Emissions Trading System (ETS) with effect from 1 January 2012;
  - (b) in September 2011, 23 countries signed a declaration opposing the European Union’s plan to include all flights by non-European Union carriers to and from the European Union in its ETS;
  - (c) in November 2011, 26 countries supported an International Civil Aviation Organisation Working Paper which is critical of the European Union ETS and urges the European Union to refrain from including flights by non-European Union members in its scheme;
  - (d) in February 2012, 23 countries concluded a 2 day meeting in Russia on the inclusion of aviation in the European Union ETS by signing a declaration which states that they have a ‘unanimous position that the EU and its Member States must cease application of the Directive 2008/101/EC [the European Union ETS] to airlines/aircraft operators registered in third States’;
  - (e) the United States Congress has called on the United States Government to take all possible action to ensure that the European Union ETS is not applied to aircraft registered by the United States or the operators of those aircraft; and
  - (f) China has banned its airlines from participating in the European Union ETS; and
- (2) calls on the Australian Government to:
  - (a) use all political, diplomatic, and legal tools at its disposal to ensure that the European Union’s ETS is not applied to aircraft registered by Australia or the operators of those aircraft;
  - (b) should the European Union maintain the application of the European Union ETS to flight sectors outside Europe, immediately assess whether the European Union ETS is consistent with the World Trade Organization (WTO) agreements and join any WTO challenge; and
  - (c) join any international action to prevent the application of the European Union ETS to non-European Union airspace. (*Notice given 20 March 2012*)

*Time allotted — 40 minutes*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Truss — 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.*

**3 MR ADAMS:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises that 46 per cent of Australians do not have functional literacy to enable them to undertake more than the very basic tasks, and that it should:
  - (a) give recognition to and acknowledge the importance of the National Year of Reading 2012 as demonstrated by the attendance at the launch by the Prime Minister, the Minister for the Arts, and the Minister for School Education, Early Childhood and Youth;
  - (b) congratulate all of the people and sponsors involved in setting up this National Year of Reading;
  - (c) aim to raise the awareness of all Australians to understand the benefits of reading as a life skill and a catalyst for well being through supporting this program;
  - (d) help to promote a reading culture in the home through this program, and
  - (e) assist to establish an aspirational goal for families, or parents and caregivers to share books with their children every day; and
- (2) encourages all Members to participate in promoting the annual National Reading Day in their communities, schools and libraries. (*Notice given 15 February 2012*)

*Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to approximately 1.30 pm.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Adams — 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 at a later hour.*

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

**PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

**Notices — continued**

**3 MR ADAMS:** To move—That this House

- (1) recognises that 46 per cent of Australians do not have functional literacy to enable them to undertake more than the very basic tasks, and that it should:
  - (a) give recognition to and acknowledge the importance of the National Year of Reading 2012 as demonstrated by the attendance at the launch by the Prime Minister, the Minister for the Arts, and the Minister for School Education, Early Childhood and Youth;
  - (b) congratulate all of the people and sponsors involved in setting up this National Year of Reading;

- (c) aim to raise the awareness of all Australians to understand the benefits of reading as a life skill and a catalyst for well being through supporting this program;
  - (d) help to promote a reading culture in the home through this program, and
  - (e) assist to establish an aspirational goal for families, or parents and caregivers to share books with their children every day; and
- (2) encourages all Members to participate in promoting the annual National Reading Day in their communities, schools and libraries. (*Notice given 15 February 2012*)

*Time allotted — 30 minutes*

*Speech time limits —*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 6 x 5 mins]

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

**4 MR COULTON:** To move—That this House: acknowledges the Government's mismanagement of the solar panel program, the Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme (SRES), in particular, the:

- (1) failure of the Government to screen disreputable operators from the program;
- (2) failure to warn the Australian public regarding the risks associated with solar installation companies operating with questionable practices, despite indication that this was necessary; and
- (3) fundamental design flaws of the SRES program which have caused a glut of Renewable Energy Certificates in the clearing of houses, leading to deep financial stress for reputable solar installation companies and Australian families. (*Notice given 14 March 2012*)

*Time allotted — 40 minutes*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Coulton — 10 minutes.*

*Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

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

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

**5 MS RISHWORTH:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the significant impact of Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) on the lives of individuals diagnosed with this condition often including:
  - (a) difficulties with normal social interaction;
  - (b) delayed speech and unusual forms of communication;
  - (c) intense preoccupation with a single particular interest;
  - (d) inability to comprehend the consequences of their behaviour;
  - (e) lack of awareness about the emotions of others; and
  - (f) associated learning disabilities;
- (2) recognises that:
  - (a) raising a child with ASD can present considerable challenges for families including financial and emotional pressures as well as strains on the family unit and marital stress; and
  - (b) intensive early intervention services can be critically important to improving the cognitive, emotional and social development of children with autism;
- (3) acknowledges support provided through the Government's \$220 million *Helping Children With Autism Package*, which is the first national initiative to help families and children with ASD;
- (4) notes the importance of continuing to provide support for individuals with ASD and their families on an ongoing basis and particularly throughout schooling years; and
- (5) calls on Commonwealth and State and Territory governments to work closely to ensure the seamless provision of services to families of children with ASD, especially at key points of transition such as from early childhood to primary schooling and from secondary schooling to further education and training or the workforce. (*Notice given 9 May 2012*)

*Time allotted — 40 minutes*

*Speech time limits —*

*Ms Rishworth — 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.*

**6 MR HARTSUYKER:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
  - (a) motorcycling is an environmentally friendly and fuel efficient mode of transport which is rapidly increasing in popularity in Australia;
  - (b) motorcyclists make up about 1 per cent of traffic but account for 16 per cent of deaths in road accidents;
  - (c) most motorcycle casualties involve speed and hitting a fixed object; and

- (d) motorcycle groups are concerned about the safety implications of the design and location of wire rope barriers; and
- (2) calls on the Government to work with the States and Territories to ensure motorcyclist safety assumes increased importance in road design. (*Notice given 14 March 2012*)

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

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Hartsuyker — 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.*

3. The committee recommends that the following item of private Members' business listed on the Notice Paper be voted on:

*Orders of the Day—*

Family Law and child support system (Mr Wilkie)

Same-sex marriage (Mr Wilkie)

Solar Hot Water Rebate Bill 2012 [No. 2] (Mr Hunt)

Health Insurance (Dental Services) Bill 2012 (Mr Dutton)

Non-government school funding (Mr Frydenberg)

Migration Legislation Amendment (The Bali Process) Bill 2012 (Mr Oakeshott).

Peter Slipper MP  
Chairman

23 May 2012