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Address of congratulation

10.01 Address of congratulation to His Majesty King Charles III

Following prayers and acknowledgement of country, the Prime Minister moved an address of congratulation to His Majesty The King on his coronation. During his speech, the Prime Minister also congratulated the Queen on her coronation. The Leader of the Opposition seconded the motion and addressed the House. The question was carried, with all members present rising in support. [Watch]

Hansard: 9 May 2023, 2807-10 Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/661

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Address in Reply

10.02 Address in Reply agreed to and presented

On Tuesday, the Leader of the House declared Federation Chamber order of the day No. 2, relating to the Address in Reply to the Governor-General's speech, returned to the House for further consideration. When consideration resumed, the question that the Address be agreed to was immediately put and carried on the voices. The Speaker took the opportunity to announce that His Excellency the Governor-General would be pleased to receive the Address in Reply at Government House at 10 am that Thursday. The Speaker invited the mover and seconder of the motion, together with other honourable members, to accompany him to present the address.

The Leader of the House, pursuant to notice, then moved to suspend so much of standing and sessional orders to permit, inter alia, the meeting of the House on 11 May to be delayed until 12 noon (instead of 9 am) to enable the Speaker and members to present the Address in Reply to the Governor-General and for the Federation Chamber not to meet. The question was put and carried on the voices. On Thursday, after presenting the Address, the Speaker reported the Governor-General's reply to the House.

Hansard: 9 May 2023, 2813 11 May 2023, 3097

Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/662, 685

SOs 7, 270

Members

10.03 New member sworn and makes first speech

Prior to Question Time on Tuesday, the Speaker announced that, following the return to the writ for a by-election in the division of Aston, Ms Mary Judith Jacinta Doyle had been elected. Ms Doyle was admitted to the Chamber where she made and subscribed the affirmation of allegiance required by law—the first member to swear allegiance to King Charles III and his heirs. The Prime Minister, on indulgence, made a statement to welcome Ms Doyle to the parliament. [Watch]

During government business time on Thursday, the Prime Minister, on behalf of the Leader of the House, pursuant to notice, moved a suspension of standing and sessional orders to enable Ms Doyle to deliver her first speech without a limitation of time.

Hansard: 9 May 2023, 2829 11 May 2023, 3098-102 2023, 3098-102

Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/664, 687

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Budget

10.04 Introduction of the 2023-2024 Budget and budget reply

On Tuesday afternoon, the House agreed to suspend standing orders relating to, amongst other things, the automatic adjournment of the House and the limit on new business after the normal time of adjournment to allow for the presentation of the budget (and the budget reply).

That evening the Treasurer presented Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2023-2024, moved the second reading and delivered the budget speech. Debate adjourned and the Assistant Treasurer presented budget-related documents. The Assistant Treasurer then presented Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2023-2024 and Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1) 2023-2024. Before each bill was presented, a message from the Governor-General was announced, recommending appropriation.

On Thursday evening debate resumed on the second reading of Appropriation Bill (No. 1) and the Leader of the Opposition delivered his budget reply speech.

Hansard: 9 May 2023, 2814; 2896-904

11 May 2023, 3155-60

Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/662, 667-8, 695

SOs 142, 178, 180

10.05 Statement by Chair of Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit on draft budget estimates for the ANAO and PBO

On budget day the Chair of the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit made a statement regarding the draft estimates for the Australian National Audit Office and the Parliamentary Budget Office for 2023-2024 and, by leave, presented a copy of his statement.

As the committee responsible for parliamentary oversight of the ANAO and PBO, the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit is required by legislation to consider the draft budget estimates for each office. On budget day each year the committee makes a statement on whether,

in its opinion, these offices have been given sufficient funding to carry out their respective mandates.

Hansard: 9 May 2023, 2895-6 Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/666

SO 199

10.06 Report of the Appropriations and Administration Committee

On Thursday, the Deputy Speaker, on behalf of the Standing Committee on Appropriations and Administration, presented report No. 26, entitled 'Budget estimates 2023-24'.

Hansard: 11 May 2023, 3102 Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/687

SOs 199, 222A

Bills

10.07 Additional appropriation bills presented

On Tuesday, following presentation of the 2023-2024 appropriation bills, the Assistant Treasurer presented Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2022-2023, Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2022-2023 and Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 2) 2022-2023. A message from the Governor-General recommending appropriation was announced before the introduction of each bill.

Hansard: 9 May 2023, 2904-5 Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/668

SOs 142, 178, 180

10.08 Unresolved question in Federation Chamber on second reading of Family Law Amendment Bill

On Wednesday, at the conclusion of the second reading debate for the Family Law Amendment Bill 2023, the question was put on the question that the bill be now read a second time. The question was not resolved unanimously and the bill was returned to the House for further consideration.

During government business time on Thursday, the Deputy Speaker reported that the Federation Chamber had been unable to complete its consideration of the bill and returned it with an unresolved question. The question was immediately put and carried on division. Consideration in detail commenced and three crossbench members moved a total of 14 amendments. Six amendments were negatived on the voices, before debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 43 and made an order of the day for a later hour. Later, the remaining eight amendments were negatived on the voices and consideration in detail concluded. The bill was then read a third time.

Divisions cannot occur in the Federation Chamber and if a question cannot be decided on the voices it is reported to the House for later resolution there. An unresolved question arises when any Member dissents from the result announced from the Chair.

Hansard: 10 May 2023, 3034-50

11 May 2023, 3105-9; 3145-6

Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/682, 688-9, 690-1

SO 43, 152, 153, 188, 195

10.09 Division not proceeded with at request of opposition

During government business time on Thursday, the Family Law Amendment (Information Sharing) Bill 2023 was returned to the House from the Federation Chamber without amendment. The question that the bill be agreed to was put and a division was called. As the bells were ringing, a shadow minister, by leave, asked that the division be withdrawn. The division was not proceeded with and the question was put and carried on the voices. The bill was then read a second time.

Hansard: 11 May 2023, 3146 Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/691

SO 153

Committees

10.10 Select committee reporting date extended

On Wednesday, on motion by a minister, the House agreed to amend the resolution of appointment of the Select Committee on Workforce Australia Employment Services to extend its final reporting date.

Hansard: 10 May 2023, 2930 Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/678

SO 223

Condolence motions

10.11 Hon John Kerin AO

During government business time on Tuesday afternoon, the Prime Minister moved a condolence motion in relation to the death of Hon John Charles Kerin AO, a former minister and the member for Macarthur from 1972 to 1975 and for Werriwa from 1978 to 1993. The Leader of the Opposition seconded the motion. All members present rose in silence and debate was adjourned. The Leader of the House then declared the order of the day referred to the Federation Chamber for debate. Further contributions were made in the Federation Chamber on 11 May. [Watch]

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Votes and Proceedings: 2023/661, 696

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10.12 Hon Stewart West

Following the condolence motion for Hon John Kerin AO, the Prime Minister moved a condolence motion in relation to the death of Hon Stewart John West, a former minister and the member for Cunningham from 1977 to 1993. The Leader of the Opposition seconded the motion. All members present rose in silence and debate was adjourned. The Leader of the

House then declared the order of the day referred to the Federation Chamber, where it was debated on 11 May. [Watch]

Hansard: 9 May 2023, 2812-3

11 May 2023, 3169-73

Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/661, 697

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10.13 Yunupingu AM

Prior to Question Time on Wednesday, the Prime Minister moved a condolence motion in relation to the death of Yunupingu AM. The Leader of the Opposition seconded the motion and addressed the House. The Minister for Indigenous Australians also addressed the House, before all members present rose in silence and debate was adjourned. The order of the day was referred to the Federation Chamber, where it was debated the following day.

Hansard: 10 May 2023, 2969-72

11 May 2023, 3173-5

Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/679, 697

SO 49

Petitions

10.14 Petitions presented by Chair of Petitions Committee, by leave

On Tuesday, the Chair of the Standing Committee on Petitions presented the committee's report and then, by leave, presented petitions and ministerial responses and made a statement. In her statement, the committee chair noted that petitions are not usually presented by the Petitions Committee when the House does not meet on the Monday of a sitting week, but that, given that the House has not met for several weeks, the committee agreed to seek leave to present petitions and ministers' responses at a different time than usual.

The order of business provides for petitions to be presented following prayers and the acknowledgement of country on Monday mornings.

Hansard: 9 May 2023, 2858-7 Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/666

SOs 34, 207, 209, 220

Statements

10.15 Statements on significant matters

On Wednesday, pursuant to notice, ministers made statements on four significant matters—namely, the death of Allan Gyngell AO, the death of John Olsen AO, the death of Barry Humphries AO CBE and the death of Robert Maguire AM. Following each statement, a shadow minister then made a statement. For each, the House agreed that further statements be permitted in the Federation Chamber. These began the following day.

Statements on significant matters may be made after prayers on a Wednesday or Thursday. Notice must be given. After a Minister has made a statement on a significant matter, the

House shall be deemed to have granted leave for the Leader of the Opposition, or Member representing, to speak on the same matter for an equal amount of time.

Hansard: 10 May 2023, 2913-20

11 May 2023, 3175-8

Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/677

SO 50A

10.16 Regional ministerial budget statement

On Wednesday, the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, by leave, delivered the regional ministerial budget statement. The Leader of the Nationals addressed the House in reply.

Hansard: 10 May 2023, 2947-54 Votes and Proceedings: 2022-2023/679

SO 63A

10.17 Statements by indulgence of the Chair

Following Question Time on Thursday, the Member for Bowman (Mr Pike) and the Deputy Prime Minister made statements, by indulgence, to mark the 80th anniversary of the sinking of AHS *Centaur*.

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Offensive words#

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'This, old son, is why nobody takes you seriously.'	11 May 2023	3120
'It's characteristically dishonest of the member to pretend that there has been some change in the budget on Tuesday night.'	11 May 2023	3123

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