

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SELECTION COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 19

Committee and delegation business,

Private Members' business

and

Bills referred to committees

10 May 2011

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

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

1. The committee met in private session on Tuesday, 10 May 2011.
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, 23 May 2011, 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 Education and Employment

School Libraries and Teacher Librarians in 21st Century Australia.

The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.20 am.

Speech time limits —

Ms Rishworth — 5 minutes.

Next Member — 5 minutes.

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

2 Standing Committee on Education and Employment

Statement announcing the new inquiry into mental health and workforce participation.

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

Speech time limits —

Ms Rishworth — 5 minutes.

Next Member — 5 minutes.

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

3 Standing Committee on Economics

Review of the Reserve Bank of Australia Annual Report 2010 (Second Report).

The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.40 am.

Speech time limits —

Mr C. R. Thomson — 5 minutes.

Next Member — 5 minutes.

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

4 Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services

Access for Small and Medium Business to Finance.

The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.50 am.

Speech time limits —

Mr Ripoll — 5 minutes.

Next Member — 5 minutes.

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

5 Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services

ASIC oversight.

The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 11 am.

Speech time limits —

Mr Ripoll — 5 minutes.

Next Member — 5 minutes.

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

6 Standing Committee on Regional Australia

Announcement in relation to the Murray-Darling Basin inquiry.

The Committee determined that statements on the inquiry may be made — all statements to conclude by 11.05 am.

*Speech time limits —
Mr Windsor — 5 minutes.*

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

7 AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO BHUTAN AND MONGOLIA

Australian Parliamentary Delegation to Bhutan and Mongolia, 9-12 July 2010.

The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 11.10 am.

*Speech time limits —
Ms Livermore — 5 minutes.*

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

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

1 HOME INSULATION PROGRAM (COMMISSION OF INQUIRY) BILL 2011

(Mr Hunt): Second reading *(from 21 March 2011).*

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

Speech time limits —

*Mr Hunt — 10 minutes.
Next 3 Members — 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.

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

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

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

- (1) notes that as the world emerges from the Global Financial Crisis:
 - (a) in Australia unemployment of 5 per cent is low by international standards; and
 - (b) the Australian Government's Debt to GDP ratio is lower and its fiscal consolidation faster, than in most comparable countries; and
- (2) agrees that the Gillard Government's fiscal strategy to assist business and communities to recover from this crisis while managing inflation and removing the structural deficits from the Federal Budget is the right course of action for Australia's long term economic prosperity. (*Notice given 1 March 2011.*)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr S. P. Jones — 10 minutes.

Next Member — 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.*

2 MS J. BISHOP: To move—That this House:

- (1) restates its support for the motion moved by the then Prime Minister and passed by this House on the sixtieth anniversary of the State of Israel, and in particular:
 - (a) acknowledges the unique relationship which exists between Australia and Israel, a bond highlighted by the commitment of both societies to the rights and liberty of our citizens and to cultural diversity;
 - (b) commends the State of Israel's commitment to democracy, the rule of law and pluralism; and
 - (c) reiterates Australia's commitment to Israel's right to exist in peace and security, and our continued support for a peaceful two-state resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian issue; and
- (2) notes with concern the fraying of the traditionally bipartisan support amongst Australia's political parties for the State of Israel, and in particular the:
 - (a) resolution by Greens councillors on Marrickville Council for a boycott of Israel, supported by Labor councillors;
 - (b) policy adopted by the NSW Greens for an Israel boycott;

- (c) decision by the NSW Labor Party to preference the Greens candidate for Marrickville ahead of other candidates who did not support an Israel boycott; and
- (d) decision by Labor and Greens councillors on Moreland City Council, Melbourne, to allow the anti-semitic group Hizb ut-Tahrir to use Council premises in August 2010 despite Hizb ut-Tahrir publicly calling for the slaughter of Jewish people, and its enthusiasm for Osama bin Laden. (*Notice given 10 May 2011.*)

Time allotted — 40 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms J. Bishop — 10 minutes.

Next Member — 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 MS RISHWORTH: To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises the devastating impact of early onset dementia on the lives of sufferers and their families;
- (2) notes that:
 - (a) individuals who suffer from early onset dementia often face unique challenges including obtaining an accurate and early diagnosis and finding appropriate accommodation and care facilities; and
 - (b) early onset dementia sufferers are generally still physically active, engaged in paid employment and many still have significant family responsibilities at the time of their diagnosis;
- (3) acknowledges that these characteristics often mean that sufferers of early onset dementia require support services tailored to their unique circumstances including:
 - (a) accommodation with appropriate support and activities specifically for their age;
 - (b) support for family members to understand and cope with the impact of the disease especially for young dependent children; and
 - (c) support for the individual and their families in managing their reduced capacity to work and inability to fulfil family responsibilities, such as parenting, as a result of the disease; and

- (4) calls on all levels of government to work together to appropriately support those suffering from early onset dementia and their families. (*Notice given 1 March 2011.*)

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

Speech time limits —

Ms Rishworth — 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 Main Committee (approx 11 am to approx 1.30 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

1 MR OAKESHOTT: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that 28 May 2011 marks the fiftieth anniversary of Amnesty International, a global movement of over three million supporters dedicated to defending and protecting human rights;
- (2) recognises the important role Amnesty International continues to play in promoting and protecting human rights and shining a light on human rights abuses around the world;
- (3) acknowledges the many achievements of Amnesty International, including its:
 - (a) integral role in the development, promotion and ultimate adoption of the United Nations Convention Against Torture in 1975, it being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1977 and the Sydney Peace Prize in 2006; and
 - (b) successful campaigning for the release of thousands of political prisoners around the world; and
- (4) notes that from 1961 till the end of 2010 the organisation:
 - (a) conducted at least 3341 missions to research human rights abuses around the world; and
 - (b) produced and published an estimated 17 093 reports and public documents including the annual human rights report which is now produced in 25 languages; and

- (c) issued over 31 000 urgent actions for individuals at risk. (*Notice given 10 May 2011.*)

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.*

2 MS VAMVAKINO: To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the Federal Government's National Consumer Credit Action Plan, particularly phase one of the plan which came into effect on 1 January 2011 and provides for licensing of all credit providers, new responsible lending requirements and access to external dispute resolution for all consumers of consumer credit;
- (2) notes that phase two of the National Consumer Credit Action Plan will be considered by the Government in 2011, which will include consideration of new rules to apply to small amount short term loans (often known as payday loans);
- (3) calls on all Members of this House to consider and consult with relevant community organisations on the impact of small amount short term loans on vulnerable constituents, particularly the impact of very expensive interest, fees and charges which can be detrimental to household budgets and reduce the ability for people to manage their day-to-day finances; and
- (4) calls on the Minister for Financial Services and Superannuation to improve the operation of the consumer credit market in Australia by ensuring that small amount short term loans are not damaging to families and households, by replacing the myriad of existing state-based interest rate limits with a single, national limit on the fees and interest that can be charged by short term lenders. (*Notice given 21 March 2011.*)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Vamvakinou — 10 minutes.

Next Member — 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.*

3 MR HOCKEY: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the Government's decision to delay the Tax Summit from June to October 2011;
- (2) considers that any genuine Tax Summit will properly review and report on Labor's proposals to introduce a national mining tax and a carbon tax; and
- (3) decides that no legislation to impose a national mining tax or a carbon tax be considered by the House until after the October Tax Summit has reported. (*Notice given 21 March 2011.*)

Time allotted — 50 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Hockey — 10 minutes.

Next 3 Members — 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.*

4 MS HALL: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that cardiovascular disease:
 - (a) is a heart, stroke and blood vessel disease;
 - (b) kills one Australian nearly every 11 minutes;
 - (c) affects more than 3.4 million Australians;
 - (d) prevents 1.4 million people from living a full life because of disability caused by the disease;
 - (e) affects one in five Australians, and two out of three families; and
 - (f) claimed the lives of almost 48 000 Australians (34 per cent of all deaths) in 2008—deaths that are largely preventable;
- (2) notes that cardiovascular risk factors include:
 - (a) tobacco smoking;
 - (b) insufficient physical activity;
 - (c) poor nutrition;
 - (d) alcohol consumption;
 - (e) high blood pressure;
 - (f) high blood cholesterol;
 - (g) being overweight;
 - (h) having diabetes; and
 - (i) kidney (renal) failure;
- (3) notes the importance of knowing the warning signs of heart attack:
 - (a) discomfort or pain in the centre of the chest;
 - (b) discomfort in the arms, neck, shoulders, jaw and back; and

- (c) shortness of breath, nausea, cold sweat, dizziness or light headedness;
- (4) notes that recognition of heart attack and early response increases cardiovascular awareness, saving lives and preventing related disability; and
- (5) acknowledges that promotion of healthy eating and increased exercise will lead to healthier lifestyles and a reduction in cardiovascular disease. (*Notice given 18 October 2010.*)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Hall — 10 minutes.

Next Member — 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.*

5 MR BROADBENT: To move—That this House acknowledges the:

- (1) one-hundredth anniversary of International Women's Day on 8 March 2011 and celebrates the achievements of women throughout the world; and
- (2) need to continue to fight against the barrier that stops women achieving equal rights and equal opportunities throughout the world. (*Notice given 1 March 2011.*)

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

Speech time limits —

Mr Broadbent — 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 Main Committee (approx 6.30 to 9 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

6 MR K. J. ANDREWS: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) 24 May 2011 marks the centenary of the launch of an international competition to design an Australian national capital; and
 - (b) the winning design for Canberra:

- (i) by the American architect, Walter Burley Griffin, was announced in May 1912; and
 - (ii) was a collaboration between Griffin and his wife, Marian Mahony Griffin; and
- (2) calls on the National Capital Authority to work with the Parliament to arrange an appropriate celebration of the centenary of the choice of the Griffin design for our nation's capital. (*Notice given 10 May 2011.*)

Time allotted — 20 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr K. J. Andrews— 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.*

7 MS PARKE: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) by resolution 57/129 of 11 December 2002, the General Assembly designated 29 May as the International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers to:
 - (i) pay tribute to all the men and women who have served and continue to serve in United Nations peacekeeping operations;
 - (ii) recognise their high level of professionalism, dedication and courage; and
 - (iii) honour the memory of those who have lost their lives in the cause of peace;
 - (b) on 29 May 2011 Australia joins with other nations to commemorate United Nations workers who provide life-saving assistance to millions of people around the world; who work in conflict zones and areas of natural hazards; and who place their own lives at risk in the line of duty;
 - (c) Australia has been a strong supporter of United Nations peacekeeping operations since the first mission in 1947, and is one of the top 20 contributors to the United Nations peacekeeping budget;
 - (d) the United Nations' total peacekeeping budget is US\$7.8 billion, or half of one per cent of global military spending, indicating that building and keeping the peace is overwhelmingly cheaper than the pursuit of war;
 - (e) there are over 122 000 military and civilian men and women working in 15 different United Nations missions around the world, who are not there for personal gain, rather, they are engaged in maintaining peace and security and in building the political, social and economic infrastructure required to ensure conflict zones can make the transition to peace on a sustainable and lasting basis;
 - (f) in the last decade, more than 1100 United Nations peacekeepers have died while striving to help those most in need in some of the world's most hostile environments, with recent examples being in April 2011, when:

- (i) 28 United Nations staff and 5 non-government organisations workers were killed in a plane crash in Kinshasa in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; and
 - (ii) 7 international United Nations staff were killed in an attack on a United Nations compound in Mazar-e-Sharif in northern Afghanistan, which was the third direct attack against United Nations personnel in Afghanistan in the past 18 months; and
 - (g) United Nations and other humanitarian workers are increasingly being targeted for political and ideological reasons; and
- (2) commends the vital work carried out by United Nations peacekeepers and other humanitarian workers and calls upon all United Nations member states to ensure the safety and security of United Nations peacekeepers and other humanitarian workers, and to appropriately punish perpetrators of violence against such workers. (*Notice given 10 May 2011.*)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Parke — 10 minutes.

Next Member — 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.*

8 MR PYNE: To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the effectiveness of programs initiated by the former Coalition Government such as ‘Primary Connections’ and ‘Science By Doing’, that support professional development for teachers to effectively engage primary and secondary school students on science curriculum;
- (2) recognises the need for Australian Government support of teachers, allowing them to access the support and training they need to teach the new national curriculum in science;
- (3) notes the:
 - (a) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development evidence which indicates that science literacy in students is declining in Australia compared with other countries; and
 - (b) concern of the Australian Primary Schools Principals Association, that the Australian Government has not provided a funding commitment to the Australian Academy of Science beyond this financial year to continue the ‘Primary Connections’ and ‘Science By Doing’ programs; and

- (4) calls on the Australian Government to make clear its funding commitment in relation to these programs which are vital to support teachers. (*Notice given 24 March 2011.*)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Pyne — 10 minutes.

Next Member — 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.*

9 MR ZAPPIA: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
- (a) Australian road laws and vehicle compliance standards vary between each of the States and Territories of Australia; and
 - (b) those variations are causing confusion and uncertainty to Australian motorists;
- (2) calls on the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport to urge the States and Territories to adopt, through COAG, uniform road laws and motor vehicle registration compliance standards. (*Notice given 24 February 2011.*)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Zappia — 10 minutes.

Next Member — 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.*

10 MR ROBERT: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
- (a) military service is unique and comes with inherent risks not applicable to other public service jobs;
 - (b) Australia's service personnel, past and present, after giving so much to their nation, deserve to live out their lives in the knowledge that they have financial security; and
 - (c) approximately 56 000 retired military personnel who are members of the Defence Force Retirement and Deaths Benefits (DFRDB) scheme and the Defence Forces Retirement Benefits (DFRB) scheme have their military pensions indexed only to movements in the Consumer Price Index (CPI); and
- (2) calls on all Members to support the:

- (a) concept of the unique nature of military service; and
- (b) Coalition's policy to index the military pensions to members of the DFRDB and DFRB schemes who are aged 55 and over, to the higher movements in the CPI, Male Total Average Weekly Earnings or the Pensioner Beneficiary Living Cost Index. (*Notice given 2 March 2011.*)

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

Speech time limits —

Mr Robert— 10 minutes.

Next Member — 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 determined that the following referrals of bills to committees be made—

Standing Committee on Economics:

- Competition and Consumer Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2011
- National Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Home Loans and Credit Cards) Bill 2011

Standing Committee on Social Policy and Legal Affairs:

- Family Law Legislation Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2011; and

Joint Committee on the National Broadband Network:

- Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Fibre Deployment) Bill 2011.

Harry Jenkins
Chair

10 May 2011