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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 129

WEDNESDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2006

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

2 **MARITIME LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (PREVENTION OF POLLUTION FROM SHIPS) BILL 2006**

Mr M. A. J. Vaile (Minister for Transport and Regional Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Protection of the Sea (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Act 1983*, and for related purposes.

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Mr M. A. J. Vaile presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr M. A. J. Vaile moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

3 **LONG SERVICE LEAVE (COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES) AMENDMENT BILL 2006**

Mr Andrews (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to long service leave, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Andrews presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

4 **PARLIAMENTARY SUPERANNUATION AMENDMENT BILL 2006**

Mr Nairn (Special Minister of State), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Parliamentary Superannuation Act 2004*, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Nairn presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

5 **MIGRATION AMENDMENT (BORDER INTEGRITY) BILL 2006**

Mr Robb (Parliamentary Secretary—Immigration and Multicultural Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to migration, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Robb presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

6 PETROLEUM RETAIL LEGISLATION REPEAL BILL 2006—SENATE’S AMENDMENT

The order of the day having been read for the consideration of the amendment made by the Senate—

On the motion of Mr Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources), the amendment was agreed to, after debate.

7 SUPERANNUATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (SUPERANNUATION SAFETY AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2005—SENATE’S AMENDMENTS

The order of the day having been read for the consideration of the amendments made by the Senate—

On the motion of Mr Robb (Parliamentary Secretary—Immigration and Multicultural Affairs), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

8 FAMILIES, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS AND VETERANS’ AFFAIRS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (2006 BUDGET MEASURES) BILL 2006

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.

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

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 214, 14 September 2006, from His 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 Cobb (Minister for Community Services), the bill was read a third time.

9 CORPORATIONS (ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER) CONSEQUENTIAL, TRANSITIONAL AND OTHER MEASURES BILL 2006

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 by Mr Snowdon who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst welcoming many positive measures contained in this bill and the related bills, the House is of the opinion that:

- (1) the Government should respond immediately and comprehensively to a recent report commissioned by the Office of Indigenous Policy Co-ordination, which found red tape and short-term, ad hoc funding arrangements were severely debilitating the Indigenous corporate sector. This legislative reform will not address these external causes of instability to corporate governance;
- (2) the Government must ensure adequate funding for training and assistance for the Indigenous corporate sector to build their governance capacity and facilitate a smooth transition to the new regime—particularly as many Indigenous corporations deliver essential services. This was a unanimous recommendation of the Senate Inquiry into the bill;
- (3) there are significant outstanding concerns in relation to the level of regulation and extent of the Registrar’s powers in the bill, particularly given the lack of full independence of the Registrar from Ministerial and political interference;
- (4) for the next three financial years ORAC should include in its annual report a review of the operation of the new legislation and results of a statistical survey of stakeholder satisfaction to ensure that the impact of the legislation is closely monitored and with appropriate transparency; and
- (5) the Government should ensure a review of the operation of the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act by parliamentary committee within three years having particular regard to:
 - (a) the effective and proper use of the Registrar’s powers under the Act; and

- (b) the effectiveness and appropriateness of the Act as a regime of corporate law for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people”.

Documents

Mr Snowdon, by leave, presented the following documents:

Mutitjulu Community Aboriginal Corporation (MCAC)—Governance issues—Copies of—
Letters from—

MCAC to Peter Armstrong, ORAC, 18 July 2006.

MCAC to Mr Wayne Gibbons, Associate Secretary, Office of Indigenous Policy Coordination (OPIC), 18 July 2006.

Email from Greg Andrews to Wayne Gibbons, 5 June 2006.

Emails from Wayne Gibbons, (OPIC) to Laura Beacroft, Registrar of Aboriginal Corporations—
30 June 2006.

4 July 2006.

10 July 2006.

Email from Laura Beacroft to Wayne Gibbons, 12 July 2006.

Visit by Wayne Gibbons to Mutitjulu—30 September 2005—Email from ‘Myra’ to Rob Burdon,
3 October 2005.

Debate continued.

It being 2.15 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with the resolution agreed to yesterday, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

10 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Member directed to leave

At 2.53 p.m. the Member for Charlton (Ms Hoare) 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 she accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing—

Documents

Mr Ripoll, by leave, presented the following documents:

Australian Workplace Agreement—Cannon Hill Retail Services Pty Ltd—

Copy of receipt from Peter McIlwain, Employment Advocate, Office of the Employment Advocate, 1
August 2006.

Extract from agreement—pages 3 to 30.

Questions without notice continued.

11 SPEAKER’S RULING—DISSENT FROM RULING MOVED

Ms Gillard having asked a question of the Speaker in relation to suspension of standing and sessional orders and substantive motions—

Speaker’s ruling

The Speaker ruled that the motion moved yesterday by the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations was in order.

Dissent from ruling moved

Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That the ruling be dissented from.

Debate ensued.

Ms Gillard (seconder) addressing the House—

Closure

Mr Abbott (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 80

Mr Abbott	Mrs Elson	Jackie Kelly	Mr Robb
Mr Anderson	Mr Entsch	Mr Laming	Mr Ruddock
Mr Andrews	Mr Farmer	Ms Ley	Mr Schultz
Fran Bailey	Mr Fawcett	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Mr Baker	Mr M. D. Ferguson	Mr Lloyd	Mr Secker
Mr Baldwin	Mr Forrest	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr Macfarlane	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr McGauran	Dr Southcott
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Markus	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Haase	Mrs May	Mr Ticehurst
Ms J. Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Tollner
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs Moylan	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Henry	Mr Nairn	Mr Tuckey
Mr Causley	Mrs Hull*	Dr Nelson	Mr Turnbull
Mr Ciobo	Mr Hunt	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Pearce	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson	Mr Prosser	Mr Vasta
Mr Downer	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mrs Draper	Mr Keenan	Mr Randall	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Richardson	Mr Wood

NOES, 58

Mr Adams	Mr Emerson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Andren	Mr Fitzgibbon	Dr Lawrence	Mr Rudd
Mr Beazley	Mr Garrett	Ms Livermore	Mr Sawford
Mr Bevis	Mr Georganas	Mr McClelland	Mr Sercombe
Ms Bird	Ms George	Ms Macklin	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Bowen	Mr Gibbons	Mr McMullan	Mr Snowdon
Ms A. E. Burke	Ms Gillard	Mr Melham	Mr Swan
Mr A. S. Burke	Ms Grierson	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Mr Byrne	Mr Griffin	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Corcoran	Ms Hall*	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Ms Owens	Mr Wilkie
Mrs Elliot	Mr Hayes	Ms Plibersek	Mr Windsor
Ms A. L. Ellis	Ms Hoare	Mr Price*	
Ms K. M. Ellis	Mrs Irwin	Mr Quick	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Speaker's ruling be dissented from—being accordingly put—
The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Hawker, in the Chair)—

AYES, 58

Mr Adams	Mr Emerson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Andren	Mr Fitzgibbon	Dr Lawrence	Mr Rudd
Mr Beazley	Mr Garrett	Ms Livermore	Mr Sawford
Mr Bevis	Mr Georganas	Mr McClelland	Mr Sercombe
Ms Bird	Ms George	Ms Macklin	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Bowen	Mr Gibbons	Mr McMullan	Mr Snowdon
Ms A. E. Burke	Ms Gillard	Mr Melham	Mr Swan
Mr A. S. Burke	Ms Grierson	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Mr Byrne	Mr Griffin	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Corcoran	Ms Hall*	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Ms Owens	Mr Wilkie
Mrs Elliot	Mr Hayes	Ms Plibersek	Mr Windsor
Ms A. L. Ellis	Ms Hoare	Mr Price*	
Ms K. M. Ellis	Mrs Irwin	Mr Quick	

NOES, 80

Mr Abbott	Mrs Elson	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mr Entsch	Mr Laming	Mr Schultz
Mr Andrews	Mr Farmer	Ms Ley	Mr Scott
Fran Bailey	Mr Fawcett	Mr Lindsay	Mr Secker
Mr Baker	Mr M. D. Ferguson	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr Baldwin	Mr Forrest	Mr McArthur*	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr McGauran	Dr Southcott
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mrs Markus	Dr Stone
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Mrs May	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Haase	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Ticehurst
Ms J. Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mrs Moylan	Mr Tollner
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hartsuyker	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Henry	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Mr Causley	Mrs Hull*	Mr Neville	Mr Turnbull
Mr Ciobo	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Prosser	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson	Mr Pyne	Mr Vasta
Mr Downer	Mr Jull	Mr Randall	Mr Wakelin
Mrs Draper	Mr Keenan	Mr Richardson	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Robb	Mr Wood

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

12 DOCUMENTS

The following documents were presented:

Australian Trade Commission (Austrade)—Report for 2005-06.

Bundanon Trust—Report for 2005-06.

Crimes Act 1914—Controlled operations—Report for 2005-06.

International Air Services Commission—Report for 2005-06.

Members of Parliament (Staff) Act—Report on consultants engaged under section 4 for 2005-06.

Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission—Report for 2005-06.

Office of the Renewable Energy Regulator—Financial report for 2005-06.

Repatriation Commission, Department of Veterans' Affairs and the National Treatment Monitoring Committee—Report for 2005-06.

13 DOCUMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENTS

Ms J. Bishop (Minister for Education, Science and Training) moved—That the House take note of the following documents:

Crimes Act 1914—Controlled operations—Report for 2005-06.

Members of Parliament (Staff) Act—Report on consultants engaged under section 4 for 2005-06.

Office of the Renewable Energy Regulator—Financial report for 2005-06.

Repatriation Commission, Department of Veterans' Affairs and the National Treatment Monitoring Committee—Report for 2005-06.

Debate adjourned (Ms Gillard), and the resumption of each debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

14 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—AUSTRALIA'S SCHOOLS, TAFES AND UNIVERSITIES

The House was informed that Ms Macklin (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's placement of its political interests and agendas ahead of solving the real problems facing Australia's schools, TAFEs and universities".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Ms Macklin addressing the House—

Member directed to leave

At 4.32 p.m. the Member for Gorton (Mr B. P. O'Connor) 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.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

15 AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION—REPORT

Mrs Elson, by leave, presented the following document:

Australian Parliamentary Delegation to Mozambique and Kenya, 11 to 23 July 2004—Report, September 2006.

16 MEDICAL INDEMNITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2006—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 Ms Gambaro (Parliamentary Secretary—Foreign Affairs), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

17 AUSTRALIAN PARTICIPANTS IN BRITISH NUCLEAR TESTS (TREATMENT) BILL 2006—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 Ms Gambaro (Parliamentary Secretary—Foreign Affairs), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

18 AUSTRALIAN PARTICIPANTS IN BRITISH NUCLEAR TESTS (TREATMENT) (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS AND TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) BILL 2006—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 Ms Gambaro (Parliamentary Secretary—Foreign Affairs), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

19 CORPORATIONS (ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER) CONSEQUENTIAL, TRANSITIONAL AND OTHER MEASURES BILL 2006

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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Snowden (see item No. 9, page 1454)*—

Debate resumed.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

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

AYES, 76

Mr Anderson	Mr Farmer	Mr Laming	Mr Schultz
Mr Andrews	Mr Fawcett	Ms Ley	Mr Scott
Fran Bailey	Mr M. D. Ferguson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Secker
Mr Baker	Mr Forrest	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr Baldwin	Ms Gambaro	Mr McArthur*	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mr Macfarlane	Dr Southcott
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Markus	Dr Stone
Mr Billson	Mr Haase	Mrs May	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mrs Moylan	Mr Ticehurst
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hartsuyker	Mr Nairn	Mr Tollner
Mr Cadman	Mr Henry	Dr Nelson	Mr Truss
Mr Causley	Mrs Hull*	Mr Neville	Mr Tuckey
Mr Ciobo	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Turnbull
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Prosser	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Downer	Mr Johnson	Mr Pyne	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mrs Draper	Mr Jull	Mr Randall	Mr Vasta
Mr Dutton	Mr Keenan	Mr Richardson	Mr Wakelin
Mrs Elson	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Robb	Dr Washer
Mr Entsch	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ruddock	Mr Wood

NOES, 54

Mr Albanese	Mr Emerson	Mrs Irwin	Mr Quick
Mr Andren	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Ripoll
Mr Beazley	Mr Fitzgibbon	Dr Lawrence	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Mr Garrett	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Ms Bird	Mr Georganas	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford
Mr Bowen	Ms George	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr Gibbons	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr A. S. Burke	Ms Gillard	Mr Melham	Mr Snowden
Mr Byrne	Ms Grierson	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Ms Corcoran	Mr Griffin	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mrs Elliot	Mr Hatton	Ms Owens	Ms Vamvakinou
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hayes	Ms Plibersek	
Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Hoare	Mr Price*	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the bill be now read a second time—put and passed—bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved immediately.

On the motion of Mr Cobb (Minister for Community Services), the bill was read a third time.

20 CORPORATIONS AMENDMENT (ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER CORPORATIONS) BILL 2006

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.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved immediately.

On the motion of Mr Cobb (Minister for Community Services), the bill was read a third time.

21 CORPORATIONS (ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER) BILL 2005

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. 218, 14 September 2006, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the bill.

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Document

Mr Cobb (Minister for Community Services) presented a supplementary explanatory memorandum to the bill.

On the motion of Mr Cobb, by leave, Government amendments (1) to (158) were made together, after debate.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Mr Cobb, by leave, the bill was read a third time.

22 ADJOURNMENT

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

Debate ensued.

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

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 11 October 2006:

Customs Act—Orders—Tariff Concession—2006—6 (6) October [F2006L03324], [F2006L03326], [F2006L03327], [F2006L03328], [F2006L03329], [F2006L03330].

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act—Instrument under section 303EB, 25 September 2006 [F2005L03309].

Higher Education Support Act—Higher education provider—Notice of approval—2006 No. 15 [F2006L03350].

Migration Act—Migration Agents Regulations—Notices—2006—

Migration Agents (Continuing professional development—Attendance at a seminar, workshop, conference or lecture) [F2006L03333].

Migration Agents (Continuing professional development—Miscellaneous activities) [F2006L03335].

Migration Agents (Continuing professional development—Private study of audio, video or written material) [F2006L03332].

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Baird, Mr Danby, Mr Edwards, Mr Kerr* and Mr Somlyay.

* On leave

I. C. HARRIS
Clerk of the House of Representatives

2004-05-06

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 129

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2006

1 The Main Committee met at 9.30 a.m.

2 **MEMBERS' STATEMENTS**

Members' statements were made.

3 **MEDICAL INDEMNITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2006**

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.

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

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 215, 14 September 2006, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the bill.

Leave granted for the question on the report to be put immediately.

Question—That the bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

4 **AUSTRALIAN PARTICIPANTS IN BRITISH NUCLEAR TESTS (TREATMENT) BILL 2006**

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 M. J. Ferguson, by leave, presented the following document:

Review of veterans' entitlements (Clarke review)—Copy of letter from Mr Billson to the Hon. Danna Vale, Minister for Veterans' Affairs, 23 August 2002.

Debate continued.

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

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 216, 14 September 2006, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the bill.

Leave granted for the question on the report to be put immediately.

Question—That the bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

5 **AUSTRALIAN PARTICIPANTS IN BRITISH NUCLEAR TESTS (TREATMENT) (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS AND TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) BILL 2006**

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. 217, 14 September 2006, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the bill.

Leave granted for the question on the report to be put immediately.

Question—That the bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

6 DEFENCE FORCE (HOME LOANS ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL 2006

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—

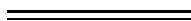
Debate resumed.

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

7 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr Wakelin, the Main Committee adjourned at 1.03 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