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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 142

THURSDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 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 AIRPORTS AMENDMENT BILL 2006

Mrs D. M. Kelly (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport and Regional Services) for Mr M. A. J. Vaile (Minister for Transport and Regional Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Airports Act 1996*, and for related purposes.

Document

Mrs D. M. Kelly presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mrs D. M. Kelly moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr L. D. T. Ferguson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

3 SAFETY, REHABILITATION AND COMPENSATION AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2006

Mr Andrews (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend legislation relating to safety, rehabilitation and compensation, 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 L. D. T. Ferguson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

4 ELECTORAL AND REFERENDUM LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2006

Mr Nairn (Special Minister of State), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to elections and referendums, and for related purposes.

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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 L. D. T. Ferguson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

5 ROYAL COMMISSIONS AMENDMENT (RECORDS) BILL 2006

Mr Turnbull (Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Royal Commissions Act 1902*, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Turnbull presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

6 PARLIAMENTARY ZONE—DIRECTIONAL AND INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE—APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL

Mrs Ley (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry) for Mr Lloyd (Minister for Local Government, Territories and Roads), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with section 5 of the *Parliament Act 1974*, the House approves the following proposal for work in the Parliamentary Zone which was presented to the House on 28 November 2006, namely: Directional and interpretive signage.

Question-put and passed.

7 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS—CONSIDERATION OF BILL

Dr Washer, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Member for Moore from moving the second reading of the Prohibition of Human Cloning for Reproduction and the Regulation of Human Embryo Research Amendment Bill 2006, and moving any motions necessary in connection with later stages of the bill; and unless otherwise ordered, the bill having precedence over government orders of the day.

Question—put and passed.

8 PROHIBITION OF HUMAN CLONING FOR REPRODUCTION AND THE REGULATION OF HUMAN EMBRYO RESEARCH AMENDMENT BILL 2006

The order of the day having been read for the second reading-

Document

Dr Washer presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Dr Washer moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

It being 2 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 97, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

9 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Mr M. A. J. Vaile (Acting Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence overseas of Mr Howard (Prime Minister), he would answer questions on behalf of the Prime Minister.

10 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked-

Document

Mr Hockey (Minister for Human Services) presented the following document:

Drought assistance mobile service unit routes with exceptional circumstances boundaries—Map—Corporate and Data Services Branch, Centrelink, 17 November 2006.

Questions without notice continuing-

Member directed to leave

At 3.02 p.m. the Member for Throsby (Ms George) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for interjecting, and she accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing-

Member directed to leave

At 3.03 p.m. the Member for Oxley (Mr Ripoll) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for interjecting after a warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing-

Member directed to leave

At 3.04 p.m. the Member for Ballarat (Ms King) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for interjecting after a specific and a general warning had been given from the Chair, and she accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing-

Document

Mr Wilkie, by leave, presented the following document:

Australian Government capital infrastructure grants—Approved projects in the electorate of Swan— Letter from Mr Farmer (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education, Science and Training) to Mr Wilkie, 27 November 2006.

Questions without notice continuing-

Member directed to leave

At 3.05 p.m. the Member for Canning (Mr Randall) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for interjecting after a general warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing-

Member directed to leave

At 3.06 p.m. the Member for Prospect (Mr Bowen) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for interjecting after a general warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing-

Member directed to leave

At 3.08 p.m. the Member for Fraser (Mr McMullan) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for interjecting after a general warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing-

Member directed to leave

At 3.10 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 interjecting after a general warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continued.

11 DOCUMENTS

The following documents were presented:

Australian Crime Commission—Parliamentary Joint Committee—Trafficking of women for sexual servitude—Government response.

Australian Electoral Commission-Redistribution into electoral divisions-2006-

New South Wales.

Queensland.

Australian Public Service Commission—State of the service—Report for 2005-06.

Finance—Advance to the Finance Minister—Issues from the Advance as a final charge for the year ended 30 June 2006.

Privacy Commissioner—Report—Getting in on the Act: The review of the private sector provisions of the *Privacy Act 1988*—Government response, 2006.

Science and Innovation—Standing Committee—Report—Pathways to technological innovation—Government response (interim), November 2006.

12 DOCUMENTS-MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENTS

Mr McGauran (Deputy Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following documents:

Australian Electoral Commission—Redistribution into electoral divisions—2006—

New South Wales.

Queensland.

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

13 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—WAGES AND CONDITIONS OF AUSTRALIAN WORKERS

The House was informed that Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The impact of the Government's attack on the wages and conditions of Australian workers".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support-

Mr Beazley addressing the House-

Member directed to leave

At 3.16 p.m. the Member for Rankin (Mr Emerson) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for interjecting after a general warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Mr Beazley continued to address the House.

Discussion ensued.

Member directed to leave

At 3.29 p.m. the Member for Fowler (Mrs Irwin) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for interjecting after a general warning had been given from the Chair, and she accordingly left the Chamber.

Discussion continued.

Discussion concluded.

14 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS 31 AND 33

Mr Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources), by leave, moved—That standing order 31 (automatic adjournment of the House) and standing order 33 (limit on business after 9.30 p.m.) be suspended for the sittings on Monday, 4 December and Tuesday, 5 December 2006.

Question—put and passed.

15 ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (ANTARCTIC SEALS AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2006—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mr Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

16 PROHIBITION OF HUMAN CLONING FOR REPRODUCTION AND THE REGULATION OF HUMAN EMBRYO RESEARCH 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.

Mr Murphy addressing the House-

17 ADJOURNMENT

It being 4.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 5 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until 12.30 p.m. next Monday.

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 30 November 2006:

Defence Act—Determinations under section 58B—2006 Nos 69, 70.

National Health Act—Determinations under subsections 73AAG (6) and (7)—2006 No. HIB 32 [F2006L03858].

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Parliamentary Entitlements Act—Advice under paragraph 18(a)—20 November 2006.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Anderson, Mr Baker, Mr Baldwin, Mrs Draper, Mr Howard, Mr Katter, Mr Lindsay, Ms Livermore, Mr Pearce and Mr Ticehurst.

I. C. HARRIS Clerk of the House of Representatives 2004-05-06

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 142

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2006

1 The Main Committee met at 9.30 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

3 ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (ANTARCTIC SEALS AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2006

The order of the day having been read for the second reading-

Document

Mr Hunt (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage) presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

Debate ensued.

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

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 ADJOURNMENT

Mrs Gash moved—That the Main Committee do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Document

Mr Jenkins, by leave, presented the following document:

Water use—Copy of letter from Phillip Papagiannopoulos to Mr Jenkins, 27 October 2006.

Debate continued.

Document

Ms Hoare, by leave, presented the following document:

Jim Comerford—Copy of eulogy, 10 November 2006.

Debate continued.

Question-put and passed.

At 11.57 a.m., the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee until 4 p.m. on Monday, 4 December 2006.

B. C. WRIGHT Clerk of the Main Committee
