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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 44

WEDNESDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER 2008

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

2 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Message No. 115, 16 September 2008, from the Senate was reported informing the House that Senator Fielding had been appointed a member of the Joint Standing Committee on the Parliamentary Library.

$3\,$ MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—TRADE PRACTICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2008

Message No. 116, 16 September 2008, from the Senate was reported returning the Trade Practices Legislation Amendment Bill 2008 with amendments.

Ordered—That the amendments be considered at the next sitting.

4 INTERNATIONAL TAX AGREEMENTS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2008

Mr Bowen (Assistant Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *International Tax Agreements Act 1953*, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Bowen presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

5 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2008 MEASURES NO. 4) BILL 2008—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 Bowen (Assistant Treasurer), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

6 FIRST HOME SAVER ACCOUNTS (FURTHER PROVISIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 2008

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. 76, 9 September 2008, from Her 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 McClelland (Attorney-General), the bill was read a third time.

7 FIRST HOME SAVER ACCOUNT PROVIDERS SUPERVISORY LEVY IMPOSITION BILL 2008

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 McClelland (Attorney-General), the bill was read a third time.

8 OFFSHORE PETROLEUM AMENDMENT (GREENHOUSE GAS STORAGE) BILL 2008

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.

Documents

Dr Jensen, by leave, presented the following documents:

Murray Darling Basin annual rainfall 1900-2008—Australian climate variability and change timeseries—Graph sourced from the website of the Australian Bureau of Meteorology.

Real-world temperature observations—HadAT2 radiosonde observations sourced from US Climate Change Science Program (CCSP), Report 2006, p116, fig 5.7E.

Debate continued.

Mr Windsor addressing the House—

It being 2 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 97, Mr Windsor was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

9 AFFIRMATION OF ALLEGIANCE BY MEMBER

Mr Oakeshott made and subscribed the affirmation of allegiance required by law.

10 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were asked.

11 DOCUMENT

The Speaker presented the following document:

Commonwealth Ombudsman—Activities in monitoring controlled operations conducted by the Australian Crime Commission, the Australian Federal Police and the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity for 2007-08.

12 DOCUMENTS

The following documents were presented:

Australian Federal Police—Ministerial direction, 25 August 2008.

Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency—Quarterly report of the Chief Executive Officer for the period 1 April to 30 June 2008.

Finance—Budget 2008-09—Budget paper No. 3—Australia's federal relations—Corrigendum.

Indigenous Education and Training—National report to Parliament for 2006.

Primary Industries and Resources—House of Representatives Standing Committee—Down under: Greenhouse gas storage—Review of the draft Offshore Petroleum Amendment (Greenhouse Gas Storage) Bill—Government response.

Reserve Bank of Australia—Report for 2007-08.

13 NATIONAL CONSUMER LAW—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Mr Bowen (Minister for Competition Policy and Consumer Affairs), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to a national consumer law.

Suspension of standing and sessional orders—Time for speech

Mr Bowen, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Hartsuyker speaking for a period not exceeding ten minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Hartsuyker addressed the House.

14 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—LEADERSHIP

The House was informed that Mr Turnbull (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's failure to provide leadership on the great challenges facing our nation".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Turnbull addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

15 AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH COUNCIL AMENDMENT BILL 2008—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 Mr Snowdon (Minister for Defence Science and Personnel), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

16 OFFSHORE PETROLEUM AMENDMENT (GREENHOUSE GAS STORAGE) BILL 2008

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 (Dr Kelly—Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

17 WHIPS' REPORT

Mr Price (Chief Government Whip) presented the following document:

Whips' report—Report relating to committee and delegation reports and private Members' business on Monday, 22 September 2008—

and moved—That the report be adopted.

Question—put and passed.

18 OFFSHORE PETROLEUM AMENDMENT (GREENHOUSE GAS STORAGE) BILL 2008

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.

19 ADJOURNMENT

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 7.59 p.m., adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 17 September 2008:

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Safety Regulations—Airworthiness Directives under—Part 39-105—

AD/B727—No. 100—Amendment (No. 4) [F2008L03422].

AD/B747—No. 382 [F2008L03421].

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AD/BEECH 55—No. 97 [F2008L03401].
AD/BEECH 56—No. 35 [F2008L03400].
AD/BEECH 77—No. 16 [F2008L03399].
AD/BEECH 200—No. 37—Cancellation [F2008L03406].
AD/CESSNA 206-
No. 6—Cancellation [F2008L03398].
No. 13—Cancellation [F2008L03397].
No. 15—Cancellation [F2008L03393].
No. 26—Cancellation [F2008L03392].
No. 35—Cancellation [F2008L03391].
AD/CESSNA 303-
No. 1—Cancellation [F2008L03350].
No. 10—Cancellation [F2008L03349].
AD/CESSNA 400-
No. 87—Cancellation [F2008L03300].
Nos 116, 117 [F2008L03415], [F2008L03416].
AD/CESSNA 500-
No. 7—Cancellation [F2008L03377].
No. 8—Cancellation [F2008L03376].
No. 14—Cancellation [F2008L03371].
No. 21—Cancellation [F2008L03370].
AD/DHC-1—No. 10—Cancellation [F2008L03279].
AD/DHC-8—Nos 142, 143 [F2008L03367], [F2008L03366].
AD/ECUREUIL—No. 40—Cancellation [F2008L03418].
AD/JBK 117—No. 29 [F2008L03365].
AD/PA-32-
No. 15—Amendment (No. 2)—Cancellation [F2008L03262].
No. 20—Cancellation [F2008L03439].
No. 44—Cancellation [F2008L03340].
No. 45—Cancellation [F2008L03339].
No. 60—Cancellation [F2008L03334].
AD/ROCK-114-
No. 7—Cancellation [F2008L03353].
No. 9—Cancellation [F2008L03352].
AD/SF340—No. 108 [F2008L03351].
Part 39-106—AD/AE 3007—No. 6 [F2008L03457].
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Motor Vehicle Standards Act—Determination—2008 Vehicle standard (Australian design rule 81/02—Fuel consumption labelling for light vehicles)—Amendment (No. 2) [F2008L03455].

Navigation Act—Marine Order—2008 No. 9 [F2008L03460].

Parliamentary Entitlements Act—Parliamentary Entitlements Regulations—Statement under section 18—15 September 2008.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Andrews, Mr Butler, Mrs Gash*, Mr Laming, Mr McMullan, Mrs Mirabella* and Mr Shorten.

* On leave

I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER 2008

1 The Main Committee met at 9.30 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' CONSTITUENCY STATEMENTS

Members' constituency statements being made—

Petition

Ms Saffin presented the following petition approved by the Standing Committee on Petitions:

Funding for pre-schools in NSW and extension of childcare rebate to include pre-schools—369 petitioners.

Document

Ms Saffin, by leave, presented the following document:

Funding for pre-schools in NSW and extension of childcare rebate to include pre-schools—Letter from Bianca Urbina to Ms Saffin, 21 August 2008.

Members' statements continued.

3 AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH COUNCIL AMENDMENT BILL 2008

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. 77, 9 September 2008, from Her 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 AUSLINK (NATIONAL LAND TRANSPORT) AMENDMENT BILL 2008

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 Marles), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

5 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr Marles, the Main Committee adjourned at 1.01 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