

2008

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 51

TUESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2008



1 The House met, at 2 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (Mr Jenkins) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were asked.

3 DOCUMENTS

Attorney-General's Department—Report for 2007-08.

Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—Report for 2007-08.

Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security—Report for 2007-08.

Private Health Insurance Ombudsman—Report for 2007-08.

Research Involving Human Embryos Act 2002—Report pursuant to section 16—Statement of reasons for the failure to fill a vacancy on the NHMRC Licensing Committee.

Treaties—List of multilateral treaty actions under negotiation, consideration or review by the Australian Government as at September 2008.

4 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—FINANCIAL CRISIS

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 need for responsible economic principles to be applied to guide Australia through the current financial crisis".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Turnbull addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

The time allotted under standing order No. 1 having expired, the discussion was interrupted.

5 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Message No. 135, 13 October 2008, from the Senate was reported informing the House that Senator Coonan had been discharged from attendance on the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services.

6 WATER 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 by Mr Hunt who moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "while not declining to give the bill a second reading, in respect of the Lower Lakes and Coorong area of South Australia, the House acknowledges the dire situation faced by the local people, local businesses, local communities and wildlife due to the devastation of the area's economy, and calls on the Government to support the Opposition in its commitment to the provision of \$50 million for immediate and practical assistance to provide support to:

(1) the local community, small business, tourism operators, the fishing industry and farmers; and

(2) protect wildlife and flora in the region”.

Debate continued.

Mr Zappia addressing the House—

7 ADJOURNMENT

It being 8.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 14 October 2008:

Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act—Rules—2008 Amendment (No. 6) [F2008L03746].

Civil Aviation Act—

Civil Aviation Regulations—Exemption—2008 No. CASA EX67 [F2008L03465].

Civil Aviation Safety Regulations—Airworthiness Directives under Part 39-105—AD/B737—No. 343 [F2008L03709].

AD/BAe 146—No. 135 [F2008L03659].

AD/BELL 206—

No. 29—Cancellation [F2008L03651].

No. 30—Cancellation [F2008L03652].

No. 31—Cancellation [F2008L03653].

No. 37—Cancellation [F2008L03655].

No. 40—Cancellation [F2008L03656].

No. 43—Cancellation [F2008L03657].

No. 118—Cancellation [F2008L03603].

AD/CESSNA 206—No. 16—Cancellation [F2008L03604].

AD/DH 60—No. 1—Cancellation [F2008L03605].

AD/DHC-2—

No. 6—Cancellation [F2008L03638].

No. 14—Cancellation [F2008L03641].

No. 16—Cancellation [F2008L03640].

No. 17—Cancellation [F2008L03639].

AD/EC 225—No. 4 [F2008L03642].

Currency Act—Determination—2008 Royal Australian Mint (No. 7) [F2008L03583].

Customs Act—Orders—Tariff Concession—2008 Nos 0807302, 0809061, 0809121, 0809127, 0809129, 0809407, 0809733, 0809963, 0810096 [F2008L03551], [F2008L03588], [F2008L03589], [F2008L03590], [F2008L03591], [F2008L03592], [F2008L03593], [F2008L03594], [F2008L03596].

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act—Instrument under section 184—12 September 2008 [F2008L03637].

Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act—Variation to the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code—2008 Amendment No. 103 [F2008L03741].

Social Security (Administration) Act—Determinations—2008 Declared relevant Northern Territory areas—

Various (No. 31)—Revocation [F2008L03747].

Various (No. 32) [F2008L03748].

Taxation Administration Act—Rulings—2007—CR No. 113 (Withdrawal).

2008—
CR No. 61.
PR Nos 15 (Withdrawal), 65.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Fran Bailey, Mrs Gash*, Mrs Irwin, Mr Price, Mrs Vale and Ms Vamvakinou.

* On leave

I. C. HARRIS
Clerk of the House of Representatives

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MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2008

1 The Main Committee met at 4 p.m.

2 MEMBERS' CONSTITUENCY STATEMENTS

Members' constituency statements were made.

Petition

Mr Hawker presented the following petition approved by the Standing Committee on Petitions:

Hunting as a conservation tool—1,805 petitioners.

Members' statements continued.

3 DAIRY ADJUSTMENT LEVY TERMINATION 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.

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 TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (CLARITY IN PRICING) 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 Hayes), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

5 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr Hayes, the Main Committee adjourned at 8.25 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