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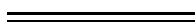
THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 57

THURSDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2008



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

2 PROGRAM OF SITTINGS FOR 2009*Document*

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) presented the following document:

Parliamentary sittings 2009.

Mr Albanese, by leave, moved—That the program of sittings for 2009 be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

3 POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE

Ordered—That notice No. 1, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

4 COAG REFORM FUND BILL 2008

Mr Swan (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to establish the COAG Reform Fund, and for other purposes.

Document

Mr Swan presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

5 AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM, ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING AUTHORITY BILL 2008

Ms Gillard (Minister for Education), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to establish the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Gillard presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Ms Gillard moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

6 POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICES

Ordered—That notices Nos 3 and 4, government business, be postponed until the next sitting.

7 AUSTRALIAN SUPER HORNET FACILITIES PROJECT, RAAF BASE AMBERLEY, QLD—APPROVAL OF WORK

Mr Debus (Minister for Home Affairs), for Mr Combet (Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Procurement), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Australian Super Hornet Facilities Project, RAAF Base Amberley, Queensland.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

8 PROCEDURE COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENT BY MEMBER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT—REFERENCE TO MAIN COMMITTEE

Ms Owens (Chair) presented the following documents:

Procedure Committee—Re-opening the debate: Inquiry into the arrangements for the opening day of Parliament—

Report, October 2008.

Minutes of proceedings.

Report ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

Ms Owens, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.

Ms Owens moved—That the House take note of the report.

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

Ms Owens, by leave, moved—That the order of the day be referred to the Main Committee for debate.

Question—put and passed.

9 ELECTORAL MATTERS—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT—REFERENCE TO MAIN COMMITTEE

Mr Melham (Chair) presented the following documents:

Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee—Advisory report on the Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2008—

Report, incorporating a dissenting report, October 2008.

Minutes of proceedings.

Report ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

Mr Melham and Mr Morrison, by leave, made statements in connection with the report.

Mr Melham moved—That the House take note of the report.

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

Mr Melham, by leave, moved—That the order of the day be referred to the Main Committee for debate.

Question—put and passed.

10 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—REPORT

Mr Irons presented the following document:

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Publications Committee reports that it has met and, having considered documents presented to the House of Representatives since 16 October, it recommends that the following be made Parliamentary Papers:

Aboriginal Hostels Limited—Report for 2007-08.

Administrative Appeals Tribunal—Report for 2007-08.

Anindilyakwa Land Council—Report for 2007-08.

Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC)—Report for 2007-08.

Australian Bureau of Statistics—Report for 2007-08.

Australian Film Commission—Report for 2007-08.

Australian Institute of Criminology and Criminology Research Council—Reports for 2007-08.
 Australian Institute of Family Studies—Report for 2007-08.
 Australian Institute of Health and Welfare—Report for 2007-08.
 Australian Institute of Marine Science—Report for 2007-08.
 Australian Law Reform Commission—Report No. 109 for 2007-08.
 Australian Maritime Safety Authority—Report for 2007-08.
 Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority—Report for 2007-08.
 Australian Research Council—Report for 2007-08.
 Australian Safeguards and Non-Proliferation Office—Report for 2007-08.
 Australian Security Intelligence Organisation—Report for 2007-08.
 Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation—Report for 2007-08.
Bankruptcy Act 1966—Report on the operation of the Act for 2007-08.
 Classification Board and Classification Review Board—Reports for 2007-08.
 Commonwealth Ombudsman—Report for 2007-08.
 Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)—Report for 2007-08.
 Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—Report for 2007-08.
 Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research—Report for 2007-08.
 Department of the House of Representatives—Report for 2007-08.
 Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet—Report for 2007-08.
 Export Finance and Insurance Corporation—Report for 2007-08.
 Family Court of Australia—Report for 2007-08.
 Federal Magistrates Court of Australia—Report for 2007-08.
 Film Australia Limited—Report for 2007-08.
 Forest and Wood Products Research and Development Corporation—Report for 2007-08.
 Future Fund—Report for 2007-08.
 Health Services Australia (HSA Group)—Report for 2007-08.
 National Blood Authority—Report for 2007-08.
 National Competition Council—Report for 2007-08.
 National Gallery of Australia—Report for 2007-08.
 National Water Commission—Report for 2007-08.
Native Title Act 1993—Native title representative bodies—Report for 2007-08—Northern Land Council.
 Renewable Energy Regulator—Financial report for 2007-08.
 Special Broadcasting Service Corporation (SBS)—Report for 2007-08.
 Tiwi Land Council—Report for 2007-08.

STEVE IRONS MP

Deputy Chair

23 October 2008

On the motion of Mr Irons, by leave, the report was agreed to.

11 INTERSTATE ROAD TRANSPORT CHARGE AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 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 third reading to be moved immediately.

On the motion of Mr Albanese (Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government), the bill was read a third time.

12 ROAD CHARGES LEGISLATION REPEAL AND 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—

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

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Truss (Leader of the Nationals), by leave, moved Opposition amendments (1) to (5) together.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mrs Vale, in the Chair)—

AYES, 59

Mr Abbott	Mr Farmer	Ms Ley	Mr Robb
Mr Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr Lindsay	Mr Robert
Fran Bailey	Mr Georgiou	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baldwin	Mr Haase	Ms Marino	Mr Schultz
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs Markus	Mr Secker
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs May	Mr Simpkins
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs Mirabella	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Briggs	Mrs Hull*	Mr Morrison	Mr Somlyay
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hunt	Mrs Moylan	Dr Southcott
Mr Chester	Mr Irons	Dr Nelson	Dr Stone
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson*	Mr Oakeshott	Dr Washer
Mr Costello	Mr Katter	Mr Pearce	Mr Windsor
Mr Coulton	Mr Keenan	Mr Pyne	Mr Wood
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Ramsey	

NOES, 76

Mr Adams	Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea
Mr Albanese	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll
Mr Bevis	Mrs Elliot	Ms King	Ms Rishworth
Mr Bidgood	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Ms Bird	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Mr Bradbury	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Ms Saffin
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	Mr Shorten
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McMullan	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Butler	Mr Garrett	Mr Marles	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Byrne	Mr Georganas*	Mr Melham	Mr Snowdon
Ms Campbell	Ms George	Mr Murphy	Mr Sullivan
Mr Champion	Mr Gibbons	Mr Neumann	Mr Swan
Mr Cheeseman	Ms Gillard	Mr O'Connor	Mr Symon
Mr Clare	Mr Gray	Ms Owens	Mr Tanner
Ms Collins	Ms Grierson	Ms Parke	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Combet	Mr Griffin	Mr Perrett	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Trevor
Mr Danby	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Mr Turnour
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	Mr Zappia

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the bill be agreed to—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mrs Vale, in the Chair)—

AYES, 78

Mr Adams	Mr Dreyfus	Ms King	Ms Rishworth
Mr Albanese	Mrs Elliot	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Ms K. M. Ellis	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Ms McKew	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	Mr Shorten
Mr Bradbury	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McMullan	Mr Sidebottom
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Marles	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Garrett	Mr Melham	Mr Snowdon
Mr Butler	Mr Georganas*	Mr Murphy	Mr Sullivan
Mr Byrne	Ms George	Mr Neumann	Mr Swan
Ms Campbell	Mr Gibbons	Mr Oakeshott	Mr Symon
Mr Champion	Ms Gillard	Mr O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gray	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Clare	Ms Grierson	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Collins	Mr Griffin	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Mr Combet	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Mr Windsor
Mr Danby	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	Mr Zappia
Mrs D'Ath	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea	
Mr Debus	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll	

NOES, 57

Mr Abbott	Mr Farmer	Ms Ley	Mr Robert
Mr Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock
Fran Bailey	Mr Georgiou	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Schultz
Mr Baldwin	Mr Haase	Ms Marino	Mr Secker
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs Markus	Mr Simpkins
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs May	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Somlyay
Mr Briggs	Mrs Hull*	Mr Morrison	Dr Southcott
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hunt	Mrs Moylan	Dr Stone
Mr Chester	Mr Irons	Dr Nelson	Mr Truss
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Neville	Dr Washer
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson*	Mr Pearce	Mr Wood
Mr Costello	Mr Katter	Mr Pyne	
Mr Coulton	Mr Keenan	Mr Ramsey	
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Robb	

* Tellers

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Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Mr Albanese (Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

13 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS—MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the House moving a motion without notice to require the Leader of the Opposition immediately to:

- (1) condemn and retract attacks by Members of the Party he leads on the Governor of the Reserve Bank and on the Secretary of the Treasury; and
- (2) apologise for and retract his reckless and irresponsible attack on the Secretary of the Treasury in Question Time on Tuesday at a time of global financial crisis.

Closure of Member moved

Mr Truss (Leader of the Nationals) moved—That the Member be no longer heard.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mrs Vale, in the Chair)—

AYES, 45

Mr Abbott	Mr Forrest	Mr Laming	Mr Schultz
Mr Andrews	Mr Georgiou	Mr Lindsay	Mr Secker
Fran Bailey	Mr Haase	Ms Marino	Mr Simpkins
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hartsuyker	Mr Morrison	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Briggs	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Broadbent	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Dr Nelson	Dr Stone
Mr Chester	Mrs Hull*	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Ciobo	Mr Hunt	Mr Pyne	Dr Washer
Mr Costello	Mr Irons	Mr Ramsey	Mr Wood
Mr Coulton	Dr Jensen	Mr Robb	
Mr Dutton	Mr Johnson*	Mr Robert	
Mr Farmer	Mr Keenan	Mr Ruddock	

NOES, 78

Mr Adams	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Ms Rishworth
Mr Albanese	Mrs Elliot	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Mr Bradbury	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	Mr Sidebottom
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Garrett	Mr Marles	Mr Snowdon
Mr Butler	Mr Georganas*	Mr Melham	Mr Sullivan
Mr Byrne	Ms George	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Ms Campbell	Mr Gibbons	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Mr Champion	Ms Gillard	Mr O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gray	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Clare	Ms Grierson	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Collins	Mr Griffin	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Mr Combat	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Mr Windsor
Mr Danby	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	Mr Zappia
Mrs D'Ath	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea	
Mr Debus	Mr Katter	Mr Ripoll	

* Tellers

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Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was negatived.

Closure

Mr Albanese moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mrs Vale, in the Chair)—

AYES, 77

Mr Adams	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Ms Rishworth
Mr Albanese	Mrs Elliot	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Mr Bradbury	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	Mr Sidebottom
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Garrett	Mr Marles	Mr Snowdon
Mr Butler	Mr Georganas*	Mr Melham	Mr Sullivan
Mr Byrne	Ms George	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Ms Campbell	Mr Gibbons	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Mr Champion	Ms Gillard	Mr O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gray	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Clare	Ms Grierson	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Collins	Mr Griffin	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Mr Combet	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Mr Zappia
Mr Danby	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	
Mrs D'Ath	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea	
Mr Debus	Mr Katter	Mr Ripoll	

NOES, 44

Mr Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr Laming	Mr Robert
Fran Bailey	Mr Georgiou	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Haase	Ms Marino	Mr Schultz
Mr Briggs	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mr Morrison	Mr Secker
Mr Broadbent	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs Moylan	Mr Simpkins
Mr Chester	Mrs Hull*	Dr Nelson	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Ciobo	Mr Hunt	Mr Neville	Mr Somlyay
Mr Costello	Mr Irons	Mr Pyne	Dr Stone
Mr Coulton	Dr Jensen	Mr Ramsey	Mr Truss
Mr Dutton	Mr Johnson*	Mr Randall	Dr Washer
Mr Farmer	Mr Keenan	Mr Robb	Mr Wood

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion for the suspension of standing and sessional orders be agreed to—being accordingly put—

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mrs Vale, in the Chair)—

AYES, 77

Mr Adams	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Ms Rishworth
Mr Albanese	Mrs Elliot	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Mr Bradbury	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	Mr Sidebottom
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Garrett	Mr Marles	Mr Snowdon
Mr Butler	Mr Georganas*	Mr Melham	Mr Sullivan
Mr Byrne	Ms George	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Ms Campbell	Mr Gibbons	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Mr Champion	Ms Gillard	Mr O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gray	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Clare	Ms Grierson	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Collins	Mr Griffin	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Mr Combet	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Mr Zappia
Mr Danby	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	
Mrs D'Ath	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea	
Mr Debus	Mr Katter	Mr Ripoll	

NOES, 46

Mr Abbott	Mr Forrest	Mr Laming	Mr Ruddock
Mr Andrews	Mr Georgiou	Mr Lindsay	Mr Schultz
Fran Bailey	Mr Haase	Ms Marino	Mr Secker
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hartsuyker	Mr Morrison	Mr Simpkins
Mr Briggs	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Moylan	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Broadbent	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Dr Nelson	Mr Somlyay
Mr Chester	Mrs Hull*	Mr Neville	Dr Stone
Mr Ciobo	Mr Hunt	Mr Pyne	Mr Truss
Mr Costello	Mr Irons	Mr Ramsey	Dr Washer
Mr Coulton	Dr Jensen	Mr Randall	Mr Wood
Mr Dutton	Mr Johnson*	Mr Robb	
Mr Farmer	Mr Keenan	Mr Robert	

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Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority.

14 MOTION REQUIRING THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION TO ADDRESS THE HOUSE

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) moved—That the Leader of the Opposition be required immediately, for a period not exceeding five minutes to:

- (1) condemn and retract the irresponsible and reckless attack on the independence of the Governor of the Reserve Bank by the Member for Canning this morning, when he said “the fact that GlenN Stevens has been caught out he put up the interest rates before the election, during the election, when the rest of the world were bringing down interest rates. And now, in a way to cover the Government’s inept behaviour they are bringing down interest rates at probably the most rapid rate Australia has ever seen. It really is chaotic, shambolic”;

- (2) condemn and retract the unprecedented attack on the truthfulness of the Secretary of the Treasury by Senator Abetz yesterday; and
- (3) apologise for and retract his own reckless and irresponsible attack on the Secretary of the Treasury in Question Time on Tuesday at a time of global financial crisis.

Point of order

Mr Pyne having raised as a point of order that the motion was not in order—

Deputy Speaker's ruling

The Deputy Speaker having ruled the motion moved by the Leader of the House was in order—

Dissent from ruling moved

Mr Pyne moved—That the ruling be dissented from.

Debate ensued.

The time allowed by standing order 1 for debate on the motion that the Deputy Speaker's ruling be dissented from having expired—

Question—put.

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

AYES, 56

Mr Abbott	Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Robb
Mr Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Robert
Fran Bailey	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baldwin	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Schultz
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Secker
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Simpkins
Mr Briggs	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mr Morrison	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Hull*	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Chester	Mr Hunt	Dr Nelson	Dr Southcott
Mr Ciobo	Mr Irons	Mr Neville	Dr Stone
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Pearce	Mr Truss
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson*	Mr Pyne	Mrs Vale
Mr Coulton	Mr Keenan	Mr Ramsey	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Randall	Mr Wood

NOES, 75

Mr Albanese	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Katter	Ms Rea
Mr Bevis	Mrs Elliot	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll
Mr Bidgood	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms King	Ms Rishworth
Ms Bird	Dr Emerson	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Bradbury	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Macklin	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Butler	Mr Garrett	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Byrne	Mr Georganas*	Mr Marles	Mr Snowdon
Ms Campbell	Ms George	Mr Melham	Mr Sullivan
Mr Champion	Mr Gibbons	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Mr Cheeseman	Ms Gillard	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Mr Clare	Mr Gray	Mr O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Ms Collins	Ms Grierson	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Combet	Mr Griffin	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Mr Hale	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Mr Danby	Ms Hall*	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Mr Price	Mr Zappia
Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Mr Raguse	

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was negatived.

Closure

Mr Albanese moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 75

Mr Adams	Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea
Mr Albanese	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll
Mr Bevis	Mrs Elliot	Ms King	Ms Rishworth
Mr Bidgood	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Ms Bird	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Mr Bradbury	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	Mr Sidebottom
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Butler	Mr Garrett	Mr Marles	Mr Snowdon
Mr Byrne	Mr Georganas*	Mr Melham	Mr Sullivan
Ms Campbell	Ms George	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Mr Champion	Mr Gibbons	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Mr Cheeseman	Ms Gillard	Mr O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Clare	Mr Gray	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Ms Collins	Ms Grierson	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Combet	Mr Griffin	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Mr Crean	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mr Danby	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Mr Zappia
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	

NOES, 56

Mr Abbott	Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Robb
Mr Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Robert
Fran Bailey	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baldwin	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Schultz
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Secker
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Simpkins
Mr Briggs	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mr Morrison	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Hull*	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Chester	Mr Hunt	Dr Nelson	Dr Southcott
Mr Ciobo	Mr Irons	Mr Neville	Dr Stone
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Pearce	Mr Truss
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson*	Mr Pyne	Mrs Vale
Mr Coulton	Mr Keenan	Mr Ramsey	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Randall	Mr Wood

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion moved by the Leader of the House be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 76

Mr Adams	Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea
Mr Albanese	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll
Mr Bevis	Mrs Elliot	Ms King	Ms Rishworth
Mr Bidgood	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Ms Bird	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Mr Bradbury	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Ms Saffin
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	Mr Shorten
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McMullan	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Butler	Mr Garrett	Mr Marles	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Byrne	Mr Georganas*	Mr Melham	Mr Snowdon
Ms Campbell	Ms George	Mr Murphy	Mr Sullivan
Mr Champion	Mr Gibbons	Mr Neumann	Mr Swan
Mr Cheeseman	Ms Gillard	Mr O'Connor	Mr Symon
Mr Clare	Mr Gray	Ms Owens	Mr Tanner
Ms Collins	Ms Grierson	Ms Parke	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Combet	Mr Griffin	Mr Perrett	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Trevor
Mr Danby	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Mr Turnour
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	Mr Zappia

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Mr Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Robert
Fran Bailey	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baldwin	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Schultz
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Secker
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Simpkins
Mr Briggs	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mr Morrison	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Hull*	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Chester	Mr Hunt	Dr Nelson	Dr Southcott
Mr Ciobo	Mr Irons	Mr Neville	Dr Stone
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Pearce	Mr Truss
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson*	Mr Pyne	Mrs Vale
Mr Coulton	Mr Keenan	Mr Ramsey	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Randall	Mr Wood

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

15 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS MOVED

Mr Pyne moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Member for Sturt from moving that the Prime Minister be invited to remain in the House to make a Prime Ministerial statement concerning his bungled mismanagement of the deposit guarantee policy of the Government amidst the most serious financial crisis since the Great Depression.

Closure of Member

Mr A. S. Burke (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry) moved—That the Member be no longer heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 73

Mr Adams	Mr Debus	Mr Kerr	Ms Rishworth
Mr Albanese	Mr Dreyfus	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Mrs Elliot	Ms Livermore	Ms Saffin
Mr Bidgood	Ms K. M. Ellis	Mr McClelland	Mr Shorten
Ms Bird	Dr Emerson	Ms McKew	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Bradbury	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Marles	Mr Snowdon
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Melham	Mr Sullivan
Mr Butler	Mr Garrett	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Mr Byrne	Mr Georganas*	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Ms Campbell	Ms George	Mr O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Champion	Mr Gibbons	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gray	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Clare	Ms Grierson	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Ms Collins	Mr Griffin	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mr Combet	Mr Hale	Mr Price	Mr Zappia
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr Raguse	
Mr Danby	Mrs Irwin	Ms Rea	
Mr D'Ath	Ms Jackson	Mr Ripoll	

NOES, 56

Mr Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr Lindsay	Mr Robb
Fran Bailey	Mr Georgiou	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Robert
Mr Baldwin	Mr Haase	Ms Marino	Mr Ruddock
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs Markus	Mr Schultz
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs May	Mr Secker
Mr Briggs	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Simpkins
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Hull*	Mr Morrison	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Chester	Mr Hunt	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Ciobo	Mr Irons	Dr Nelson	Dr Southcott
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Neville	Dr Stone
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson*	Mr Pearce	Mr Truss
Mr Coulton	Mr Keenan	Mr Pyne	Mrs Vale
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Ramsey	Dr Washer
Mr Farmer	Ms Ley	Mr Randall	Mr Wood

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Truss (Leader of the Nationals) (seconder) addressing the House—

Closure of Member

Mr A. S. Burke moved—That the Member be no longer heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 73

Mr Adams	Mr Debus	Mr Kerr	Ms Rishworth
Mr Albanese	Mr Dreyfus	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Mrs Elliot	Ms Livermore	Ms Saffin
Mr Bidgood	Ms K. M. Ellis	Mr McClelland	Mr Shorten
Ms Bird	Dr Emerson	Ms McKew	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Bradbury	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Marles	Mr Snowdon
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Melham	Mr Sullivan
Mr Butler	Mr Garrett	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Mr Byrne	Mr Georganas*	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Ms Campbell	Ms George	Mr O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Champion	Mr Gibbons	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gray	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Clare	Ms Grierson	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Ms Collins	Mr Griffin	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mr Combet	Mr Hale	Mr Price	Mr Zappia
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr Raguse	
Mr Danby	Mrs Irwin	Ms Rea	
Ms D'Ath	Ms Jackson	Mr Ripoll	

NOES, 56

Mr Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr Lindsay	Mr Robb
Fran Bailey	Mr Georgiou	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Robert
Mr Baldwin	Mr Haase	Ms Marino	Mr Ruddock
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs Markus	Mr Schultz
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs May	Mr Secker
Mr Briggs	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Simpkins
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Hull*	Mr Morrison	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Chester	Mr Hunt	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Ciobo	Mr Irons	Dr Nelson	Dr Southcott
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Neville	Dr Stone
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson*	Mr Pearce	Mr Truss
Mr Coulton	Mr Keenan	Mr Pyne	Mrs Vale
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Ramsey	Dr Washer
Mr Farmer	Ms Ley	Mr Randall	Mr Wood

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Document

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) presented the following document:

Letter from Mr Randall apologising to the Governor of the Reserve Bank, 23 October 2008.

Mr Albanese addressing the House—

Closure of Member moved

Mr Pyne moved—That the Member be no longer heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 56

Mr Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr Lindsay	Mr Robb
Fran Bailey	Mr Georgiou	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Robert
Mr Baldwin	Mr Haase	Ms Marino	Mr Ruddock
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs Markus	Mr Schultz
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs May	Mr Secker
Mr Briggs	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Simpkins
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Hull*	Mr Morrison	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Chester	Mr Hunt	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Ciobo	Mr Irons	Dr Nelson	Dr Southcott
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Neville	Dr Stone
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson*	Mr Pearce	Mr Truss
Mr Coulton	Mr Keenan	Mr Pyne	Mrs Vale
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Ramsey	Dr Washer
Mr Farmer	Ms Ley	Mr Randall	Mr Wood

NOES, 73

Mr Adams	Mr Debus	Mr Kerr	Ms Rishworth
Mr Albanese	Mr Dreyfus	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Mrs Elliot	Ms Livermore	Ms Saffin
Mr Bidgood	Ms K. M. Ellis	Mr McClelland	Mr Shorten
Ms Bird	Dr Emerson	Ms McKew	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Bradbury	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Marles	Mr Snowdon
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Melham	Mr Sullivan
Mr Butler	Mr Garrett	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Mr Byrne	Mr Georganas*	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Ms Campbell	Ms George	Mr O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Champion	Mr Gibbons	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gray	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Clare	Ms Grierson	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Ms Collins	Mr Griffin	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mr Combet	Mr Hale	Mr Price	Mr Zappia
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr Raguse	
Mr Danby	Mrs Irwin	Ms Rea	
Mrs D'Ath	Ms Jackson	Mr Ripoll	

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the motion for the suspension of standing and sessional orders be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 59

Mr Andrews	Mr Georgiou	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Robert
Fran Bailey	Mr Haase	Ms Marino	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baldwin	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs Markus	Mr Schultz
Mr Billson	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs May	Mr Secker
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Simpkins
Mr Briggs	Mrs Hull*	Mr Morrison	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hunt	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Chester	Mr Irons	Dr Nelson	Dr Southcott
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Neville	Dr Stone
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson*	Mr Oakeshott	Mr Truss
Mr Costello	Mr Katter	Mr Pearce	Mrs Vale
Mr Coulton	Mr Keenan	Mr Pyne	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Ramsey	Mr Windsor
Mr Farmer	Ms Ley	Mr Randall	Mr Wood
Mr Forrest	Mr Lindsay	Mr Robb	

NOES, 76

Mr Adams	Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea
Mr Albanese	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll
Mr Bevis	Mrs Elliot	Ms King	Ms Rishworth
Mr Bidgood	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Ms Bird	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Mr Bradbury	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Ms Saffin
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	Mr Shorten
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McMullan	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Butler	Mr Garrett	Mr Marles	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Byrne	Mr Georganas*	Mr Melham	Mr Snowdon
Ms Campbell	Ms George	Mr Murphy	Mr Sullivan
Mr Champion	Mr Gibbons	Mr Neumann	Mr Swan
Mr Cheeseman	Ms Gillard	Mr O'Connor	Mr Symon
Mr Clare	Mr Gray	Ms Owens	Mr Tanner
Ms Collins	Ms Grierson	Ms Parke	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Combat	Mr Griffin	Mr Perrett	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Trevor
Mr Danby	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Mr Turnour
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	Mr Zappia

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was negatived.

16 PRIVILEGE—COMPLAINT OF BREACH

Mr Price raised, as a matter of privilege, the apparent premature publication in today's *Daily Telegraph* of a report of the Committee of Privileges and Members' Interests.

Document

Mr Price presented the following document:

Demon taunt sends MP to political purgatory—Steve Lewis, National political correspondent, *Daily Telegraph*, 23 October 2008.

The Speaker stated that in accordance with established practice, the Committee of Privileges and Members' Interests should consider the matter, in particular whether the matter has caused or is likely to cause substantial interference with its work, with the committee system or with the functioning of the House.

17 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Mr Turnbull (Leader of the Opposition) asked leave to move a motion of censure.

Objection being raised—leave not granted.

Suspension of standing and sessional orders moved

Mr Turnbull moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the Opposition moving immediately—That this House censures the Prime Minister and the Treasurer for their inept and incompetent economic and financial management since coming to office, and in particular:

- (1) failing to react responsibly and effectively to the global financial crisis;
- (2) establishing an unlimited free deposit guarantee scheme which, in the words of the Reserve Bank Governor himself, "is creating...serious dislocation in the financial system";
- (3) ignoring the warning of the Reserve Bank Governor when he wrote to the Treasury Secretary last Friday that "we have been going around and around on this but I think we need to get something out to the markets soon";
- (4) expediting the passage through the Parliament of a deposits guarantee law which at the very moment the Treasurer delivered his second reading speech he knew, but did not say, was misconceived and in need of drastic amendment;
- (5) announcing in the course of Question Time yesterday a new deposits tax which would impose a massive cost increase on Australian banks, a cost they would seek to recover by increased interest rates and fees;
- (6) when the global financial instability became a crisis, failing to directly consult the Governor of the Reserve Bank of Australia on a central element of the Government's response which falls directly within the Governor's responsibilities because it affects the systemic stability of Australia's financial system;
- (7) right from the beginning of this year consistently putting its short term political strategy ahead of responsible economic management by talking up inflation and talking down the economy in the early part of 2008;
- (8) undermining business and consumer confidence and increasing inflationary expectations thereby causing the Reserve Bank to increase rates; and
- (9) attempting to run the Australian economy on the basis of the 24 hour news cycle, causing them to develop policy on the run without due proper evidence, proper analysis, and proper consideration.

Debate ensued.

The time allowed by standing order 1 for debate on the motion having expired—

Question—put.

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

AYES, 57

Mr Abbott	Mr Forrest	Ms Marino	Mr Schultz
Mr Andrews	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Markus	Mr Secker
Fran Bailey	Mr Haase	Mrs May	Mr Simpkins
Mr Baldwin	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs Mirabella	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Billson	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mr Morrison	Mr Somlyay
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs Moylan	Dr Southcott
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mrs Hull*	Dr Nelson	Dr Stone
Mr Briggs	Mr Hunt	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Chester	Mr Irons	Mr Pearce	Mr Turnbull
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Pyne	Mrs Vale
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson*	Mr Ramsey	Dr Washer
Mr Costello	Mr Keenan	Mr Randall	Mr Wood
Mr Coulton	Mr Laming	Mr Robb	
Mr Dutton	Ms Ley	Mr Robert	
Mr Farmer	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Ruddock	

NOES, 77

Mr Adams	Mrs Elliot	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Albanese	Ms K. M. Ellis	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Mr Bevis	Dr Emerson	Ms McKew	Ms Saffin
Mr Bidgood	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	Mr Shorten
Ms Bird	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McMullan	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Bradbury	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Marles	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Garrett	Mr Melham	Mr Snowdon
Mr Butler	Mr Georganas*	Mr Murphy	Mr Sullivan
Mr Byrne	Ms George	Mr Neumann	Mr Swan
Ms Campbell	Mr Gibbons	Mr Oakeshott	Mr Symon
Mr Champion	Ms Gillard	Mr O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gray	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Clare	Ms Grierson	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Collins	Mr Griffin	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Mr Combet	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Mr Windsor
Mr Danby	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	Mr Zappia
Mrs D'Ath	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea	
Mr Debus	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll	
Mr Dreyfus	Ms King	Ms Rishworth	

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was negatived.

Questions without notice concluded.

18 PRIVILEGE—STATEMENT BY SPEAKER

The Speaker made a statement concerning the alleged attempt by the New South Wales National Party Leader, Mr Andrew Stoner, to threaten the Member for Hume with a view to influencing the Member's performance of his duties as a Member.

The Speaker stated that any such attempt was a serious matter and could be punished as a contempt if found to constitute improper interference.

The Speaker concluded that, whilst the words reportedly used by the New South Wales Leader of the Nationals were undesirable, having regard to the political context in which the comments were made and to the desire over many years that the House's power in respect to matters of contempt be used sparingly, he was of the opinion that precedence should not be given to a motion on this occasion.

19 DOCUMENTS

The following documents were presented:

Administrative Review Council—Report for 2007-08.

Aged Care Commissioner—Report for 2007-08.

Airservices Australia—Equity and diversity program 2007 to 2010—Progress report for 2007-08.

Army and Air Force Canteen Service—Frontline Defence Services—Report for 2007-08 incorporating the annual report on the monitoring of the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) management plan.

Australian Electoral Commission—Report for 2007-08.

Australian Sports Commission—Report for 2007-08.

Civil Aviation Safety Authority—Report for 2007-08.

Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy—Report for 2007-08, incorporating an erratum.

Family Court of Australia—Report for 2007-08—Correction.

Federal Court of Australia—Report for 2007-08.

Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission—Report for 2007-08.

National Museum of Australia—Report for 2007-08.

National Native Title Tribunal—Report for 2007-08.

Office of Parliamentary Counsel—Report for 2007-08.

Privacy Act 1988—Report on the operation of the Act for 2007-08.

Repatriation Medical Authority—Report for 2007-08.

Royal Australian Air Force Veterans' Residences Trust Fund—Report for 2007-08.

Royal Australian Navy Central Canteens Board—Report for 2007-08.

Services Trust Funds—Report for 2007-08.

Tourism Australia—Report for 2007-08.

Workplace Authority—Report for 2007-08.

20 NORFOLK ISLAND GOVERNANCE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Mr Debus (Minister for Home Affairs), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the governance of Norfolk Island.

Suspension of standing and sessional orders—Time for speech

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

Question—put and passed.

Ms Ley addressed the House.

21 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—TAX ON DEPOSITS

The House was informed that Mr Pearce had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's introduction of a new tax on deposits which has created unnecessary confusion and disruption in financial markets and to deposit holders including small business, self-funded retirees, farmers and householders across Australia".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Ms Plibersek (Minister for Housing) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr K. J. Thomson, in the Chair)—

AYES, 70

Mr Adams	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Mrs Elliot	Ms King	Ms Rishworth
Mr Bevis	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Mr Bradbury	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McMullan	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Butler	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Marles	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Byrne	Mr Garrett	Mr Melham	Mr Snowdon
Ms Campbell	Mr Georganas*	Mr Murphy	Mr Sullivan
Mr Champion	Ms George	Mr Neumann	Mr Swan
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gibbons	Mr O'Connor	Mr Symon
Mr Clare	Mr Gray	Ms Owens	Mr Tanner
Ms Collins	Ms Grierson	Ms Parke	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Combet	Mr Griffin	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Mr Crean	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mr Danby	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Mr Zappia
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	
Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea	

NOES, 54

Mr Andrews	Mr Forrest	Ms Marino	Mr Robert
Fran Bailey	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Markus	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baldwin	Mr Haase	Mrs May	Mr Schultz
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Secker
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mr Morrison	Mr Simpkins
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs Moylan	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Briggs	Mrs Hull*	Dr Nelson	Mr Somlyay
Mr Chester	Mr Hunt	Mr Neville	Dr Southcott
Mr Ciobo	Mr Irons	Mr Oakeshott	Mr Truss
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Pearce	Mrs Vale
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson*	Mr Pyne	Dr Washer
Mr Coulton	Mr Laming	Mr Ramsey	Mr Wood
Mr Dutton	Ms Ley	Mr Randall	
Mr Farmer	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Robb	

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

22 ARCHIVES AMENDMENT BILL 2008—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 Mrs Elliot (Minister for Ageing), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

23 BROADCASTING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (DIGITAL RADIO) BILL 2008—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 Mrs Elliot (Minister for Ageing), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

24 NATIONAL RENTAL AFFORDABILITY SCHEME BILL 2008—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Main Committee had returned the bill for further consideration (*see item No. 4, Minutes of Proceedings of the Main Committee, 22 October 2008*), and presented a certified copy of the bill.

Debate resumed on the question—That the bill be now read a second time—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Morrison, viz.*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “while not declining to give this bill a second reading, the House calls on the Government to make such amendments to the National Rental Affordability Scheme as would:

- (1) provide for incentives to be given on a sliding scale to take account of the different development and land costs in different locations;
- (2) provide for successful applicants to transfer their tax offsets on a once only basis to project financiers in return for a lower cost of funds, including providing such tax offsets to not for profit entities for this purpose;
- (3) require that State and Territory governments match the incentives provided by the Commonwealth under the Scheme;
- (4) extend project eligibility criteria to include conversions to affordable housing from existing residential stock, particularly where such projects involve substantial redevelopment to provide for specific needs groups such as aged or disabled accommodation;
- (5) extend the upper level income limits for tenant income eligibility criteria by 30 per cent in each band to ensure greater access for key workers and those seeking to save to buy their first homes;
- (6) provide ‘as of right’ eligibility for the Federal Government’s solar panel rebate and solar hot water rebate schemes; and
- (7) extend the establishment phase criteria that approximately 20 per cent of incentives be available for projects of not less than 20 dwellings, to the entire Scheme”—

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

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr K. J. Thomson, in the Chair)—

AYES, 69

Mr Adams	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Ms Rishworth
Mr Albanese	Mrs Elliot	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Ms K. M. Ellis	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr McMullan	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Bradbury	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Marles	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Butler	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Melham	Mr Snowdon
Mr Byrne	Mr Garrett	Mr Murphy	Mr Sullivan
Ms Campbell	Mr Georganas*	Mr Neumann	Mr Swan
Mr Champion	Ms George	Mr O’Connor	Mr Symon
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gibbons	Ms Owens	Mr Tanner
Mr Clare	Mr Gray	Ms Parke	Mr C. R. Thomson
Ms Collins	Ms Grierson	Mr Perrett	Mr Trevor
Mr Combat	Mr Griffin	Ms Plibersek	Mr Turnour
Mr Crean	Mr Hale	Mr Price	Mr Zappia
Mr Danby	Ms Hall*	Mr Raguse	
Mrs D’Ath	Mrs Irwin	Ms Rea	
Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Mr Ripoll	

NOES, 54

Mr Abbott	Mr Forrest	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Ruddock
Mr Andrews	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Schultz
Mr Baldwin	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Secker
Mr Billson	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Simpkins
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Mirabella	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mr Morrison	Mr Somlyay
Mr Briggs	Mrs Hull*	Mrs Moylan	Dr Southcott
Mr Chester	Mr Hunt	Dr Nelson	Dr Stone
Mr Ciobo	Mr Irons	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Pearce	Mrs Vale
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson*	Mr Pyne	Dr Washer
Mr Coulton	Mr Keenan	Mr Ramsey	Mr Wood
Mr Dutton	Mr Laming	Mr Randall	
Mr Farmer	Ms Ley	Mr Robert	

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Bowen	Mrs Gash
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hockey
Mr Hayes	Mr Scott
Dr Kelly	Mr Slipper
Ms Vamvakinou	Mr Tuckey

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 Ms Plibersek (Minister for Housing), the bill was read a third time.

25 NATIONAL RENTAL AFFORDABILITY SCHEME (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2008—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Main Committee had returned the bill for further consideration (see item No. 4, *Minutes of Proceedings of the Main Committee, 22 October 2008*), and presented a certified copy of the bill.

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

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 97, 1 October 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 Ms Plibersek (Minister for Housing), the bill was read a third time.

26 PRIVILEGES AND MEMBERS' INTERESTS COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENT BY MEMBER

Mr Raguse (Chair) presented the following document:

Privileges and Members' Interests Committee—Report on the issue of the exchange between the Member for Robertson and the Member for Indi on 28 May 2008 and the subsequent withdrawal and apology by the Member for Robertson on 29 May 2008.

Ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

Mr Raguse, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.

27 ADJOURNMENT

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 5 p.m., adjourned until 12 noon on Monday, 10 November 2008.

DOCUMENT

The following document was deemed to have been presented on 23 October 2008:

Health Insurance Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2008 No. 211 [F2008L03446].

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bowen, Ms A. L. Ellis, Mrs Gash*, Mr Hayes, Mr Hockey, Dr Kelly, Ms Neal, Mr Scott, Mr Slipper, Mr Tuckey and Ms Vamvakinou.

* On leave

I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 57

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2008

1 The Main Committee met at 9.30 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' CONSTITUENCY STATEMENTS

Members' constituency statements being made—

Document

Mr Ciobo, by leave, presented the following document:

Dystonia—Letter from Austin Canty to Mr Ciobo.

Members' constituency statements continued.

3 BROADCASTING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (DIGITAL RADIO) 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 SOCIAL SECURITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (EMPLOYMENT SERVICES REFORM) 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.

Suspension of meeting

At 11.52 a.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

Resumption of meeting

At 12.49 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

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

5 ADJOURNMENT

Ms Grierson moved—That the Main Committee do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

At 12.59 p.m., the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee until 4 p.m. on Monday, 10 November 2008.

B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the Main Committee