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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 97

WEDNESDAY, 3 JUNE 2009

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

2 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, 15 June 2009—

and moved—That the report be adopted.

Question—put and passed.

3 PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2009

Ms Roxon (Minister for Health and Ageing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law in relation to private health insurance, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Roxon presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

4 FAMILY ASSISTANCE AMENDMENT (FURTHER 2008 BUDGET MEASURES) BILL 2009

Ms Macklin (Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to family assistance, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Macklin presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

5 CARBON POLLUTION REDUCTION SCHEME BILL 2009

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 Turnbull, viz.—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words:—*“the House defer consideration of the bill until the following have occurred:

- (1) the Copenhagen Climate Change Summit at the end of this year has concluded;
- (2) the Barack Obama administration in the United States has clarified its intentions in this area;

- (3) the Government has referred its Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (CPRS) to the Productivity Commission so that it may conduct a six-month review to:
- (a) assess the national, regional and industry sectoral impact of the CPRS in light of the global financial crisis;
 - (b) assess the economic impact of the CPRS in light of other countries either not imposing a price on carbon comparable to that proposed for Australia or imposing such a price after different assumed periods of delay; and
 - (c) conceptually and empirically examine the relative costs and benefits (including emissions reductions) of the key alternative scheme designs against the CPRS; and
- (4) the Productivity Commission's reports on these topics have been publicly released".

Debate resumed.

Dr Southcott addressing the House—

It being 2 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 97, Dr Southcott 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.

6 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Mr Rudd (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence overseas of Mr S. F. Smith (Minister for Foreign Affairs), Mr Crean (Minister for Trade) would answer questions on his behalf.

7 DEATH OF MR JOHN (JACK) ROSS—STATEMENTS

Mr Rudd (Prime Minister), by indulgence, made a statement on the death of Mr John (Jack) Ross.

Mr Turnbull (Leader of the Opposition), by indulgence, also made a statement on the matter.

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, all Members present stood, in silence.

8 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Member directed to leave

At 2.27 p.m. the Member for Bowman (Mr Laming) 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.

Questions without notice continuing—

Documents

Mr A. S. Burke (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry) presented the following documents:

Horse disease response levy bills—

Horse levy bill decision sells out industry—Media release by Australian Racing Board, 5 February 2009.

Senate decision is an unacceptable outcome for horse owners—Media release by Australian Horse Industry Council, 2 May 2009.

HRA disappointed with Horse Disease Levy Bill defeat—Media release by Harness Racing Australia, 5 February 2009.

Questions without notice continuing—

Member directed to leave

At 3.44 p.m. the Member for Sturt (Mr Pyne) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for disorderly behaviour, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice concluded.

9 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—PUBLIC FINANCES

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 control Australia’s public finances”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Turnbull addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

10 CARBON POLLUTION REDUCTION SCHEME BILL 2009

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 Turnbull (see item No. 4, page 1097)*—

Debate continued.

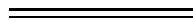
Debate adjourned (Mr Albanese—Leader of the House), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

11 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 10.11 p.m., adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow.



ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Ms Campbell, Mr Debus, Mr Forrest and Mr S. F. Smith.



I. C. HARRIS
Clerk of the House of Representatives

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MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, 3 JUNE 2009

1 The Main Committee met at 9.30 a.m.

2 **MEMBERS' CONSTITUENCY STATEMENTS**

Members' constituency statements were made.

3 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 2009-2010—BUDGET DEBATE**

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 1.04 p.m., the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

Resumption of meeting

At 4.02 p.m., the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Debate continued.

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

4 **ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Ms A. L. Ellis, the Main Committee adjourned at 7.38 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