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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 143

WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2010

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

2 DOCUMENT

Mr C. R. Thomson, by leave, presented the following document:

Political donations—Health Services Union Points—Statement of the AEC tabled during Senate Estimates, 9 February 2010.

3 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 February 2010—

and moved—That the report be adopted.

Question—put and passed.

4 BILLS REFERRED TO MAIN COMMITTEE

Mr Price (Chief Government Whip), by leave, moved—That the following bills be referred to the Main Committee for further consideration:

Australian Astronomical Observatory 2009;

Australian Astronomical Observatory (Transitional Provisions) 2009; and

Fisheries Legislation Amendment 2009.

Question—put and passed.

5 HEALTHCARE IDENTIFIERS BILL 2010

Ms Roxon (Minister for Health and Ageing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for healthcare identifiers, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Roxon presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill and to the Healthcare Identifiers (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2010.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

6 HEALTHCARE IDENTIFIERS (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2010

Ms Roxon (Minister for Health and Ageing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to deal with consequential matters in connection with the *Healthcare Identifiers Act 2010*, and for related purposes. Bill read a first time.

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

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

7 HEALTH INSURANCE AMENDMENT (PATHOLOGY REQUESTS) BILL 2010

Ms Roxon (Minister for Health and Ageing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to health, 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 (Mrs Gash), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

8 POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE

Ordered—That notice No. 4, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

9 ANTARCTIC TREATY (ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION) AMENDMENT BILL 2010

Mr Garrett (Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to the protection of the Antarctic environment, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Garrett presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

10 CORPORATIONS AMENDMENT (FINANCIAL MARKET SUPERVISION) BILL 2010

Mr Bowen (Minister for Financial Services, Superannuation and Corporate Law), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law in relation to corporations, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Bowen presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill and to the Corporations (Fees) Amendment Bill 2010.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

11 CORPORATIONS (FEES) AMENDMENT BILL 2010

Mr Bowen (Minister for Financial Services, Superannuation and Corporate Law) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Corporations (Fees) Act 2001*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time

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

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

12 NATIONAL CONSUMER CREDIT PROTECTION AMENDMENT BILL 2010

Mr Bowen (Minister for Financial Services, Superannuation and Corporate Law), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *National Consumer Credit Protection Act 2009*, 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 (Mrs Gash), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

13 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2010 GST ADMINISTRATION MEASURES NO. 1) BILL 2010

Mr Bowen (Minister for Financial Services, Superannuation and Corporate Law) presented a Bill for an Act to amend legislation relating to indirect tax, 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 (Mrs Gash), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

14 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2010 MEASURES NO. 1) BILL 2010

Mr Bowen (Minister for Financial Services, Superannuation and Corporate Law) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to taxation, 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 (Mrs Gash), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

15 SOCIAL SECURITY AND FAMILY ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (WEEKLY PAYMENTS) BILL 2010

Ms Macklin (Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the social security law and family assistance law, 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 Billson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

16 HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT AMENDMENT (FEE-HELP LOAN FEE) BILL 2010

Mr Clare (Parliamentary Secretary for Employment), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Clare presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

17 OFFSHORE PETROLEUM AND GREENHOUSE GAS STORAGE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES) BILL 2010

Mr M. J. Ferguson (Minister for Resources and Energy), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006*, and for other purposes.

Document

Mr M. J. Ferguson presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr M. J. Ferguson moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

18 OFFSHORE PETROLEUM AND GREENHOUSE GAS STORAGE (SAFETY LEVIES) AMENDMENT BILL 2010

Mr M. J. Ferguson (Minister for Resources and Energy) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Safety Levies) Act 2003*, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr M. J. Ferguson presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr M. J. Ferguson moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

19 CARBON POLLUTION REDUCTION SCHEME BILL 2010

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.

Ms Livermore addressing the House—

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

20 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Document

Mr Garrett (Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts) presented the following document:

Installation of ceiling insulation—Letter from Kevin Keeffe, Assistant Secretary, Home Energy Branch, Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts to Mr James Tinslay, Chief Executive Officer, National Electrical and Communications Association, 16 April 2009.

Questions without notice continuing—

Document

Mr Tanner (Minister for Finance and Deregulation) presented the following document:

Repayment of Government debt—Printed extract from AM radio interview of Lyndal Curtis and Mr Hockey.

Questions without notice continuing—

Member directed to leave

At 3.24 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 continued.

21 DOCUMENT

The Speaker presented the following document:

Consideration by the House of a Senate amendment to the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Serious and Organised Crime) Bill (No. 2) 2009, 9 February 2010.

22 DOCUMENTS

The following documents were presented:

Gene Technology Regulator—Quarterly report for the period 1 July to 30 September 2009.

Private Health Insurance Administration Council—Report—Operations of the private health insurers for 2008-09.

23 DOCUMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT

Dr Emerson (Minister for Small Business, Independent Contractors and the Service Economy) moved— That the House take note of the following document:

Private Health Insurance Administration Council—Report—Operations of the private health insurers for 2008-09.

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

24 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—SMALL BUSINESS

The House was informed that Mr Billson had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The damaging impact of rising interest rates on small business".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Billson addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

25 COMMITTEES—MEMBERSHIP

The House was informed that the Chief Opposition Whip had nominated Members to be members of certain committees.

Mr Bowen (Minister for Financial Services, Superannuation and Corporate Law), by leave, moved—That:

- (1) Mr Hunt be discharged from the Standing Committee on Climate Change, Water, Environment and the Arts and that, in his place, Mr Macfarlane be appointed a member of the committee;
- (2) Ms Ley be appointed a member of the Standing Committee on Economics;
- (3) Dr Southcott be discharged from the Standing Committee on Employment and Workplace Relations and that, in his place, Ms O'Dwyer be appointed a member of the committee;
- (4) Mr Secker be discharged from the Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth and that Mr Ciobo and Mr Andrews be appointed as members of the committee;
- (5) Mr Georgiou be discharged from the Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs and that Ms O'Dwyer and Mr Farmer be appointed as members of the committee;
- (6) Mr Somlyay be discharged from the Petitions Committee; and
- (7) Mr Morrison and Mr Georgiou be discharged from the Joint Standing Committee on Migration and that, in their places, Mr Fletcher and Mrs Gash be appointed as members of the committee.

Question—put and passed.

26 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY

Ordered—That orders of the day Nos 2 to 11, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

27 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2009 MEASURES NO. 6) 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—

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 Griffin (Minister for Veterans' Affairs), the bill was read a third time.

28 INTERNATIONAL TAX AGREEMENTS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 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—

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 Griffin (Minister for Veterans' Affairs), the bill was read a third time.

29 CARBON POLLUTION REDUCTION SCHEME BILL 2010

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 Windsor addressing the House—

30 ADJOURNMENT

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

Debate ensuing—

Petition

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

Cataract surgery—608 petitioners.

Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until 8 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

DOCUMENT

The following document was deemed to have been presented on 10 February 2010:

Migration Act—Direction under section 499—2010 No. 45.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Briggs, Mr Cobb, Ms A. L. Ellis, Ms K. M. Ellis, Mrs Hull, Mr McMullan, Mr Marles and Mr Neville.

B. C. WRIGHTClerk of the House of Representatives

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SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2010

1 The Main Committee met at 9.29 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' CONSTITUENCY STATEMENTS

Members' constituency statements being made—

Petition

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

Opposing Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2009—120 petitioners.

Members' constituency statements continued.

3 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 3) 2009-2010

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

4 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Ms George, 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. WRIGHTClerk of the House of Representatives