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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 148

THURSDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2010

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

2 PROPOSED JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON CYBER-SAFETY

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—

- (1) (a) That a Joint Select Committee on Cyber-Safety be appointed to inquire into and report on:
- (i) the online environment in which Australian children currently engage, including key physical points of access (schools, libraries, internet cafes, homes, mobiles) and stakeholders controlling or able to influence that engagement (governments, parents, teachers, traders, internet service providers, content service providers);
 - (ii) the nature, prevalence, implications of and level of risk associated with cyber-safety threats, such as:
 - abuse of children online (cyber-bullying, cyber-stalking and sexual grooming);
 - exposure to illegal and inappropriate content;
 - inappropriate social and health behaviours in an online environment (e.g. technology addiction, online promotion of anorexia, drug usage, underage drinking and smoking);
 - identity theft; and
 - breaches of privacy;
 - (iii) Australian and international responses to current cyber-safety threats (education, filtering, regulation, enforcement) their effectiveness and costs to stakeholders, including business;
 - (iv) opportunities for cooperation across Australian stakeholders and with international stakeholders in dealing with cyber-safety issues;
 - (v) examining the need to ensure that the opportunities presented by, and economic benefits of, new technologies are maximised;
 - (vi) ways to support schools to change their culture to reduce the incidence and harmful effects of cyber-bullying including by:
 - increasing awareness of cyber-safety good practice;
 - encouraging schools to work with the broader school community, especially parents, to develop consistent, whole school approaches; and
 - analysing best practice approaches to training and professional development programs and resources that are available to enable school staff to effectively respond to cyber-bullying;
 - (vii) analysing information on achieving and continuing world's best practice safeguards; and
- (b) such other matters relating to cyber-safety referred by the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy or either House.

- (2) That the committee consist of 12 members, 4 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by the Government Whip or Whips, 2 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by the Opposition Whip or Whips and one Member from the independent Members, 3 Senators to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, and 2 Senators to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate or by any minority group or groups or independent Senator or independent Senators.
- (3) That every nomination of a member of the committee be notified in writing to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (4) That the members of the committee hold office as a joint select committee until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.
- (5) That the committee elect a Government member as its chair.
- (6) That the committee elect a non-Government member as its deputy chair who shall act as chair of the committee at any time when the chair is not present at a meeting of the committee, and at any time when the chair and deputy chair are not present at a meeting of the committee the members present shall elect another member to act as chair at that meeting.
- (7) That, in the event of an equally divided vote, the chair, or the deputy chair when acting as chair, have a casting vote.
- (8) That 3 members of the committee constitute a quorum of the committee provided that in a deliberative meeting the quorum shall include 1 Government member of either House and 1 non-Government member of either House.
- (9) That the committee have power to appoint subcommittees consisting of 3 or more of its members and to refer to any subcommittee any matter which the committee is empowered to examine.
- (10) That the committee appoint the chair of each subcommittee who shall have a casting vote only and at any time when the chair of a subcommittee is not present at a meeting of the subcommittee the members of the subcommittee present shall elect another member of that subcommittee to act as chair at that meeting.
- (11) That 2 members of a subcommittee constitute the quorum of that subcommittee, provided that in a deliberative meeting the quorum shall include 1 Government member of either House and 1 non-Government member of either House.
- (12) That members of the committee who are not members of a subcommittee may participate in the proceedings of that subcommittee but shall not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum.
- (13) That the committee or any subcommittee have power to call for witnesses to attend and for documents to be produced.
- (14) That the committee or any subcommittee may conduct proceedings at any place it sees fit.
- (15) That the committee or any subcommittee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any adjournment of the Senate and the House of Representatives.
- (16) That the committee may report from time to time but that it present its final report no later than 11 February 2011.
- (17) That the provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.
- (18) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly.

Question—put and passed.

3 ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AMENDMENT (RECREATIONAL FISHING FOR MAKO AND PORBEAGLE SHARKS) BILL 2010

Mr Garrett (Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*, and for related purposes.

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

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:

Antarctic Treaty (Environment Protection) Amendment 2010; and

Social Security and Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Weekly Payments) 2010.

Question—put and passed.

5 **PUBLIC WORKS—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—CONSTRUCTION OF A CENTRE FOR ACCELERATOR SCIENCE AND EXTENSIONS TO OTHER FACILITIES FOR THE AUSTRALIAN NUCLEAR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ORGANISATION AT LUCAS HEIGHTS, NSW**

Dr Kelly (Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: Construction of a centre for Accelerator Science and extensions to other facilities for the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation at Lucas Heights, New South Wales.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

6 **ELECTORAL MATTERS—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS**

Mr Melham (Chair) presented the following document:

Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee—Inquiry into the implications of the *Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Amendment (Automatic Enrolment) Act 2009* (NSW) for the conduct of Commonwealth elections—Report, incorporating a dissenting report, February 2010.

Ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

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

7 **ELECTORAL AND REFERENDUM AMENDMENT (CLOSE OF ROLLS AND OTHER MEASURES) 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 Danby was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

8 **AUSTRALIAN PASSPORTS AND IDENTITY FRAUD—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT**

Mr S. F. Smith (Minister for Foreign Affairs), by leave, made a ministerial statement on the use of Australian passports in terrorism and identity fraud.

9 **ELECTORAL AND REFERENDUM AMENDMENT (CLOSE OF ROLLS AND OTHER MEASURES) 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 L. D. T. Ferguson (Parliamentary Secretary for Multicultural Affairs and Settlement Services) addressing the House—

It being 2 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 97, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson 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.

10 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Member directed to leave

At 2.29 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.

Member named and suspended

The Speaker named the Member for Bowman (Mr Laming) for continuing to interject after having been directed to leave the Chamber.

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) moved—That the Member for Bowman be suspended from the service of the House.

Question—put.

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

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

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

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Member was, therefore, suspended at 2.35 p.m. for 24 hours under standing order 94, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continued.

11 BRITISH APOLOGY TO CHILD MIGRANTS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Ms Macklin (Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs), by leave, made a ministerial statement on the British Prime Minister's apology to child migrants.

Mr Andrews, by leave, also made a statement on the matter.

12 DOCUMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENTS

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

ASC Pty Ltd—Report for 2008-09—Addendum.

Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry Act—Live-stock mortalities for exports by sea—Report for the period 1 July to 31 December 2009.

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet—Counter-terrorism White Paper—Securing Australia, protecting our community, 2010.

Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—Report—106th—Nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament—Government response.

and moved—That the House take note of the documents.

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

13 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—BOVINE SPONGIFORM ENCEPHALOPATHY

The House was informed that Mr Cobb had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The failure of the Government to properly protect Australia from the risk of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE)".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Cobb addressed the House.

Discussion ensuing—

Member directed to leave

At 4.05 p.m. the Member for Kennedy (Mr Katter) 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.

Debate continued.

Mr Haase addressing the House—

14 ADJOURNMENT

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

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 5 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, 9 March 2010.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Irons, Ms Neal, Mr Neville, Ms O'Dwyer, Mr Pearce, Ms Rishworth and Mr Turnbull.

B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the House of Representatives

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 148

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2010

1 The Main Committee met at 9.30 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' CONSTITUENCY STATEMENTS

Members' constituency statements being made—

Document

Ms Hall, by leave, presented the following document:

Lake Macquarie sports awards for 2009.

Members' constituency statements continuing—

Document

Mr Farmer, by leave, presented the following document:

Public housing—Horror house for mother—*Macarthur Advertiser*, 16 December 2009.

Members' constituency statements continued.

3 PRIME MINISTER'S REPORT 2010—CLOSING THE GAP MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Snowdon—
That the House take note of the document (*presented on 11 February 2010*), viz.—

Prime Minister's report 2010—Closing the gap—

Debate resumed.

Mr Snowdon, by leave, addressed the Main Committee without closing the debate.

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

4 FISHERIES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT 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 the question on the report to be put immediately.

Question—That the bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

5 ADJOURNMENT

Mr A. S. Burke (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry) moved—That the Main Committee do
now adjourn.

Debate ensuing—

Petition

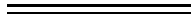
Mr Chester presented the following petition approved by the Standing Committee on Petitions:

Reinstatement of funding for Landcare—506 petitioners.

Debate continued.

Question—put and passed.

At 12.40 p.m., the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee until 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 10 March 2010.



DAVID ELDER
Clerk of the Main Committee