

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SELECTION COMMITTEE

REPORT No. 18

Committee and delegation business

and

private Members' business

18 October 2017

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

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**Report relating to the consideration of committee and delegation business
and of private Members' business**

1. The committee met in private session on Tuesday, 17 October 2017.
2. The Committee deliberated on items of committee and delegation business that had been notified, private Members' business items listed on the Notice Paper and notices lodged on Tuesday, 17 October 2017, and determined the order of precedence and times on Monday, 23 October 2017, as follows:

Items for House of Representatives Chamber (10.10 am to 12 noon)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

- 1 MR BANDT:** To present a Bill for an Act to prohibit Commonwealth support for coal-fired power stations, and for related purposes. (*Coal-Fired Power Funding Prohibition Bill 2017*)

(Notice given 11 September 2017.)

Presenter may speak to the second reading for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41. Debate must be adjourned pursuant to standing order 142.

- 2 MR BANDT:** To present A Bill for an Act to establish the National Integrity Commission, and for related purposes. (*National Integrity Commission Bill 2017*)

(Notice given 17 October 2017.)

Presenter may speak to the second reading for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41. Debate must be adjourned pursuant to standing order 142.

- 3 MR HAYES:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that 25 November 2017 is White Ribbon Day (WRD), the United Nations' symbol of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women;
- (2) recognises that WRD aims to prevent violence against women by increasing public awareness and challenging attitudes and behaviours that allow violence to continue;
- (3) encourages all Australian men to join the 'My Oath Campaign' and take the oath: 'I swear never to commit, excuse or remain silent about violence against women';
- (4) understands that:
 - (a) one in three women have experienced physical and/or sexual violence perpetrated by someone known to them;

- (b) each week approximately one woman is killed by a current or former partner; and
 - (c) domestic and family violence is the principle cause of homelessness for women and their children;
- (5) acknowledges the high economic cost of violence against women, which is estimated to cost the Australian economy \$21.7 billion a year; and
- (6) asks all Members to show their support for the principles of WRD by taking the oath and wearing a white ribbon or wristband on the day.

(Notice given 16 October 2017.)

Time allotted — 60 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Hayes — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 12 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

4 MR FALINSKI: To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges that:
- (a) 15 October 2017 marks the 200th anniversary of the death of Tadeusz Kosciuszko; and
 - (b) on 22 June 2016 the Polish Sejm (the lower chamber of Polish Parliament) adopted a special resolution proclaiming 2017 ‘The Year of Tadeusz Kosciuszko’, leading to world wide celebrations under the patronage of UNESCO;
- (2) recognises Tadeusz Kosciuszko as an indomitable fighter for the universal values of freedom, liberty and equality;
- (3) acknowledges the importance of Tadeusz Kosciuszko to the 180,000 strong Polish community in Australia, marked by our naming of the highest mountain on Australian mainland after him; and
- (4) recognises the work of Kosciuszko Heritage Inc. whose mission is to promote Kosciuszko in Australia, and to organise activities aimed at commemorating this Polish national hero.

(Notice given 17 October 2017.)

*Time allotted — remaining private Members’
business time prior to 12 noon*

Speech time limits —

Mr Falinski — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 1 x 10 mins + 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Items for Federation Chamber (11 am to 1.30 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

1 MS BRODTMANN: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) the World Endometriosis Conference is held every three years, with this year's conference being held in Vancouver, Canada on 17 to 20 May 2017;
 - (b) at this year's conference, Australia will nominate to host the 15th World Endometriosis Conference to be held in 2023;
 - (c) one in ten Australian women have endometriosis, a disease in which the tissue that is similar to the lining of the womb grows outside it in other parts of the body;
 - (d) there is a lack of understanding in the Australian community about endometriosis and the impact it has on women's lives;
 - (e) the disease can lead to extreme pain, infertility and other complications related to the bowel, periods, headaches and a variety of other symptoms around the body;
 - (f) there is a delay in diagnosing endometriosis of up to seven to ten years because the symptoms are variable; and
 - (g) University of Sydney research has shown that endometriosis costs Australia \$7.7 billion each year—two thirds of this is in lost productivity and the rest is in direct healthcare costs; and
- (2) calls on the Australian Government to:
 - (a) support Australia's nomination to host the 15th World Endometriosis Conference to be held in 2023; and
 - (b) end the silence about endometriosis by raising awareness of the disease and its symptoms across Australia and promoting further research.

(Notice given 9 May 2017.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Brodtmann — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

2 MS FLINT: To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the success of the New Colombo Plan (Plan);
- (2) recognises that the Plan will have supported more than 30,000 Australian undergraduates to live, study and undertake internships in the Indo-Pacific by the end of 2018;

- (3) welcomes the establishment of the Plan's alumni ambassadors program, which will support the Plan's alumnus from across the country to promote the value of engaging with the Indo-Pacific region;
- (4) notes that numerous prime ministers, presidents and foreign ministers of the Indo-Pacific region have lauded the Plan as evidence of Australia's commitment to building enduring relationships across the region; and
- (5) recognises that the Plan is enhancing Asian literacy amongst Australian undergraduates, deepening Australia's engagement in the region and strengthening Australia's international education sector, which is one of our largest services export industries.

(Notice given 17 October 2017.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Flint — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

3 MS MCGOWAN: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) the planned closure of the regional processing centre on Manus Island in Papua New Guinea (PNG) on 31 October 2017 is creating a highly stressful situation for the 773 asylum seekers who remain on Manus Island;
 - (b) the Australian Government is seeking to relocate people to East Lorengau or elsewhere in PNG ahead of the deadline;
 - (c) there will be a withdrawal of current medical and mental health care, torture and trauma support and security services to detainees on 31 October;
 - (d) a UNHCR survey of the deterioration of the mental health of those on Manus Island and Nauru in May 2016 showed that more than 88 per cent of offshore detainees are suffering serious mental health issues after several years in detention; and
 - (e) there is enormous pressure on the detainees on Manus Island to relocate in PNG or return to where they fled, ahead of the deadline, whereas the UNHCR says a majority have been recognised as refugees who would qualify for resettlement; and
- (2) calls on the Government to:
 - (a) urgently find viable and humane solutions outside of PNG and Nauru for those remaining under offshore processing arrangements; and
 - (b) ensure all detainees are settled safely and with appropriate medical support prior to the 31 October closure of the Manus Island regional processing centre.

(Notice given 13 September 2017.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms McGowan — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

4 MR WOOD: To move—That this House:

- (1) welcomes and congratulates the Government for banning the importation of African lion hunting trophies and its participation in helping end the practice of canned hunting;
- (2) acknowledges and commends the Government for its elephant ivory and rhinoceros horn ban for products produced after 1975 but recognises that these bans need to be implemented for all products produced prior to 1975 as well;
- (3) notes that elephants and rhinoceroses are facing extinction due to poaching with:
 - (a) one elephant dying every 15 minutes for its tusks;
 - (b) one rhinoceros dying every 8 hours for its horn;
 - (c) less than 400,000 African elephants remaining; and
 - (d) less than 27,000 rhinoceroses remaining;
- (4) notes with concern that we can still buy and sell elephant ivory and rhinoceros horn in Australia, which is part of the problem;
- (5) notes the sadistic and cruel method poachers use when harvesting elephant ivory and rhinoceros horn;
- (6) recognises that this ban is not about attacking legal hunters, it is about stopping illegal poaching and illegal trading in elephant ivory and rhinoceros horn; and
- (7) calls on all governments to help Australia be part of the solution and prohibit the domestic trade of elephant ivory and rhinoceros horn, additionally to set up an infringement fine system, offense provisions and penalties.

(Notice given 17 October 2017.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Wood — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

5 MR WALLACE: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) the Government's additional \$23.5 billion investment in Australian schools over the next 10 years, on top of the 2016 budget, will deliver the real needs based funding that our students need to succeed;
 - (b) this funding package will ensure that all students and schools are treated fairly and equitably, and that students with the same need in the same sector receive the same support from the Commonwealth; and
 - (c) in the electoral division of Fisher this action by the Government will ensure that, for example, Glasshouse Christian College will receive an additional \$28.5 million, Chancellor State College will receive an additional \$24.6 million, and Meridan State College will receive an additional \$23.5 million in funding over the next ten years;
- (2) congratulates the Government on this major investment in Australia's future and on delivering needs based funding into the school system;
- (3) welcomes the Government's action to ensure that this additional funding delivers improved results, through initiatives like the Review to Achieve Educational Excellence in Australian Schools, the Review into Regional, Rural and Remote Education, and the Teacher Performance Assessment; and
- (4) encourages the Government to continue its focus on improving educational outcomes and ensuring that school funding is well spent, particularly in regional areas such as the Sunshine Coast.

(Notice given 17 October 2017.)

Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 1.30 pm

Speech time limits —

Mr Wallace — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking = 6 x 5 mins]

The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.

Items for Federation Chamber (4.45 pm to 7.30 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices – continued

6 MR CHAMPION: To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the important role Holden's workforce has played in Holden Australia's history including when it:
 - (a) was established in 1856 by James Alexander Holden as a saddlery business;
 - (b) became the exclusive supplier for General Motors in Australia in 1924;
 - (c) built the first all-Australian motor vehicle in 1948, the FX Holden;
 - (d) commenced construction on the current Holden site in Elizabeth, South Australia in 1958; and,
 - (e) hosted Queen Elizabeth II at the Elizabeth plant in 1963;
- (2) congratulates the current Holden workforce for its ongoing professionalism which has ensured the Holden Elizabeth plant remains General Motors' top factory for quality globally; and
- (3) acknowledges the role of Prime Minister Chifley and South Australian Premier Sir Thomas Playford in establishing the Australian automotive industry.

(Notice given 14 September 2017.)

Time allotted — 40 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Champion — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 8 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

7 MS BANKS: To move—That this House:

- (1) welcomes the announcement by the Minister for Foreign Affairs at the United Nations General Assembly on 22 September 2017 of the Women's Leadership Initiative (Initiative);
- (2) notes that the Initiative is a five year program to support emerging women leaders in the Pacific and to help participants—selected from Australia Awards scholars—to fulfil their leadership potential and drive ideas and reforms in their communities;
- (3) further notes that the Initiative is part of Australia's partnership with Pacific Island countries to meet shared challenges and support a stable, secure and prosperous Pacific region;
- (4) acknowledges that the Initiative will deepen our long standing relationship with our Pacific neighbours and see Pacific women mentored by successful female leaders, including Australian Indigenous leaders, private sector representatives and pioneering leaders from the Pacific; and

- (5) recognises that the empowerment of women and girls is a priority for Australia's development assistance and is fundamental to our increased engagement in the Pacific.

(Notice given 17 October 2017.)

Time allotted — 45 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Banks — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 1 x 10 mins + 7 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

8 MS CLAYDON: To move—That this House:

(1) notes that:

- (a) 15 to 21 October 2017 is National Carers Week and that it is estimated that there are 2.7 million carers who provide care and support to a family member or friend with a disability, mental illness, chronic condition, terminal illness, or who is frail aged in Australia; and
- (b) the theme for National Carers Week is 'Carers Count';
- (2) acknowledges the significant contribution that carers make to the Australian community, saving the nation an estimated \$60 billion per year; and
- (3) recognises the incredible sacrifices carers make and the challenges they face including fewer employment options and a restricted capacity to participate in community life.

(Notice given 14 September 2017.)

Time allotted — 40 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Claydon — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 8 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

9 MR MORTON: To move—That this House:

(1) notes that:

- (a) illicit drugs can cause untold harm in our communities and on our streets; and
- (b) the Government:
- (i) is committed to targeting the supply, demand, and harm caused to our communities by the scourge of illicit drugs; and
- (ii) has made significant investments in our law enforcement agencies to do all they can to keep drugs off our streets;

- (2) acknowledges that Australian law enforcement officers continue to confront Australia's drug market and combat the criminal syndicates that peddle illicit drugs; and
- (3) calls on all Members to promote greater awareness of the harmful effects of illicit drugs on individuals and communities across Australia and support our law enforcement agencies in keeping drugs off our streets.

(Notice given 17 October 2017.)

Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 7.30 pm

Speech time limits —

Mr Morton — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 8 x 5 mins]

The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.

THE HON A. D. H. SMITH MP
Speaker of the House of Representatives

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