HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SELECTION COMMITTEE

REPORT No. 3

Committee and delegation business

and

private Members' business

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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, 18 October 2016.
- 2. The committee determined the order of precedence and times to be allotted for consideration of committee and delegation business and private Members' business on Monday, 7 November 2016, as follows:

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

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

1 DR MCVEIGH: To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises that the number of drownings in Australia increased from 267 deaths in 2014-15 to 280 in 2015-16 as stated in the Royal Life Saving's National Drowning Report (September 2016), which shows:
 - (a) a quarter of all drownings occurred in inland waterways such as rivers, creeks and dams;
 - (b) almost one fifth of all deaths occurred in people age 25 to 35 years old;
 - (c) 86 per cent of all drowning deaths were males; and
 - (d) there was a 30 per cent decrease in deaths of people age 0 to 4 years old;
- (2) acknowledges that every incidence of drowning has a wider impact including family, rescuers and communities;
- (3) recognises that the Government released the Australian Water Safety Strategy in April 2016, which aims to reduce drowning deaths by 50 per cent by 2020;
- (4) acknowledges that the Government is partnering with the peak water safety bodies such as Royal Life Saving (RLS), Surf Life Saving (SLS) and AUSTSWIM as well as Australian Water Safety Council Members and federal, state, territory and local governments, to work to prevent drowning;
- (5) recognises that the Government is providing funding \$3.6 million in 2016-17 through the National Recreation Safety Program work towards the target of reducing drowning deaths; and
- (6) congratulates RLS, SLS and other community groups for their work in educating people on the potential dangers of all our beaches and waterways.

(Notice given 11 October 2016.)

Time allotted — 50 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Dr McVeigh — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

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

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

2 MS HUSAR: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) the Government is short changing Australian pensioners;
 - (b) despite interest rates falling from 2.25 per cent in February 2015 to 1.50 per cent today, the Government has failed to adjust deeming rates for Australian pensioners;
 - (c) currently a single pensioner's savings are deemed at 1.75 per cent on the first \$49,200 and any amount over that is deemed at 3.25 per cent;
 - (d) deeming rates are supposed to reflect returns across a range of investment choices available in the market, but the Government is failing to act by lowering deeming rates; and
 - (e) Australian part-pensioners are doing it tough in a low interest rate environment and pensioners are crying out for some relief; and
- (2) calls on the Prime Minister to immediately reduce deeming rates in line with falling interest rates, so that pensioners' assets are deemed fairly and Australian pensioners finally get some relief.

(Notice given 18 October 2016.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Husar — 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 RISHWORTH: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) 11 November is Remembrance Day;
 - (b) on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month Australians observe one minute's silence in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts;
 - (c) 2016 marks the 98th anniversary of the Armistice which ended World War I;
 - (d) on Remembrance Day we pay our respects and honour the memory of those who have served in our country's defence forces;
- (2) encourages all Australians to attend a commemoration ceremony in their local community, and to pause for a minute of silence to remember those who have served in the Australian Defence Force and made the ultimate sacrifice;
- (3) remembers:
 - (a) those who lost their lives serving their country; and
 - (b) all who came home, wounded, or bearing the hidden scars of war; and

(4) recognises that the return to life in Australia, the journey from battlefield to towns and suburbs, can be a difficult one for those who serve and for the people who love and care for them.

(Notice given 17 October 2016.)

Time allotted — 20 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Rishworth — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

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

The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue at a later hour.

4 MR KATTER: To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Dairy Produce Act 1986* to establish a Milk Marketing Board, and for related purposes. (*Dairy Produce Amendment (Milk Marketing Board) Bill 2016*)

(*Notice given 31 August 2016*.)

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.

Items for Federation Chamber (11 am to 1.30 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

- **1 MS BANKS**: To move—That this House:
 - (1) notes that:
 - (a) National Stroke Week:
 - (i) ran from 12 to 18 September 2016; and
 - (ii) is about raising awareness to prevent stroke in Australia; and
 - (b) the National Stroke Foundation encourages all Australians to:
 - (i) be aware of what stroke is, how to recognise a stroke and what to do;
 - (ii) live healthy to reduce the risk of stroke; and
 - (iii) get a regular health check;
 - (2) acknowledges the:
 - (a) launch by the Minister for Health in June 2015 of the Acute Stroke Clinical Care Standard; and
 - (b) bi-partisan work done by past governments in the area of stroke; and

(3) notes the requirement for greater awareness and promotion of the prevention of stroke within the Australian community.

(Notice given 11 October 2016.)

Time allotted — 60 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Banks — 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.

2 MR KEOGH: To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises the parlous state of Western Australia's finances, brought on by the economic mismanagement of the Western Australian Government and a record low share of GST revenue, which was foreseeable;
- (2) acknowledges the importance of Commonwealth infrastructure funding and state infrastructure spending for creating employment and driving economic growth;
- (3) notes that \$1.54 billion of Commonwealth infrastructure funding has been allocated to the Perth Freight Link (PFL) and Oakajee Port over the forward estimates, in circumstances where:
 - (a) the Western Australian Government has not committed to stage two of the PFL, a contract for which will be required before Commonwealth funding flows to Western Australia, and the Western Australian Opposition is opposed to the project; and
 - (b) the Turnbull Government has kept a \$339 allocation to Oakajee Port in the federal budget for more than two years after the project was abandoned;
- (4) notes that although Western Australia takes up one third of Australia's land mass and holds 10.4 per cent of the population, the loss of Commonwealth funding for the PFL and Oakajee would cause Western Australia's share of the Commonwealth infrastructure budget to drop to just 9.5 per cent; and
- (5) calls on the Australian Government to redirect funding allocated to the PFL to the infrastructure projects that Western Australians actually wants and needs—the Armadale/North Lake Road Bridge, an Outer Harbour and METRONET.

(Notice given 11 October 2016.)

Time allotted — 20 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Keogh — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

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

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

Orders of the day

- **1 REMEMBRANCE DAY:** Resumption of debate on the motion of Ms Rishworth—That this House:
 - (1) notes that:
 - (a) 11 November is Remembrance Day;
 - (b) on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month Australians observe one minute's silence in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts;
 - (c) 2016 marks the 98th anniversary of the Armistice which ended World War I;
 - (d) on Remembrance Day we pay our respects and honour the memory of those who have served in our country's defence forces;
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 - (3) remembers:
 - (a) those who lost their lives serving their country; and
 - (b) all who came home, wounded, or bearing the hidden scars of war; and
 - (4) recognises that the return to life in Australia, the journey from battlefield to towns and suburbs, can be a difficult one for those who serve and for the people who love and care for them.

(Notice given 17 October 2016.)

Time allotted — 40 minutes.

Speech time limits —

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.

Notices - continued

- **3 MR PERRETT**: To move—That this House:
 - (1) recognises that:
 - (a) some young Australians are being forced into marriage against their will;
 - (b) child marriage and forced marriage are forms of slavery; and
 - (c) the Labor Government in 2013 introduced into the *Criminal Code* 1995 specific offences for forced marriage;
 - (2) notes that:
 - (a) there has been a gradual increase in people referring to community services for forced marriage since the law was introduced in 2013;
 - (b) investigations of forced marriage by the Australian Federal Police (AFP) have increased from 3 in 2012-13 to 69 in 2015-16;

- (c) the Australian Red Cross and the AFP consider that part of the increase in identifications of forced marriage is due to better community awareness and access to help; and
- (d) it is crucial that community awareness continues to be raised so that young people know their right to refuse to be forced into marriage;

(3) notes that:

- (a) the Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans produced curriculum materials for the Australian forced marriage Pilot Program for Australian schools;
- (b) in every school that participated in the Pilot Program, girls at risk of forced marriage were identified;
- (c) funding for the Pilot Program ceased in 2015; and
- (d) it is crucial that the Pilot Program is continued as teachers are often the first person a child will tell of their fear of being forced to marry; and
- (4) calls on the Government to immediately renew funding to further provide awareness of child marriage and forced marriage in Australian schools and the broader community.

(Notice given 10 October 2016.)

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

Speech time limits —

Mr Perrett — 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

4 MS M. L. LANDRY: To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the northern Australians working within the tourism industry, which plays a vital role in supporting the northern Australian economy;
- (2) recognises that tourist spending provides further opportunities for local small businesses within the community; and
- (3) notes that:
 - (a) the Government is investing in small businesses through its Jobs and Small Business Package released in the 2015 budget; and

(b) this package provides small businesses, including most businesses within the tourism industry, with much needed assistance to grow and create jobs.

(Notice given 14 September 2016.)

Time allotted — 50 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms M. L. Landry — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

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

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

5 MR ZAPPIA: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) widespread flooding has devastated large food growing areas in the Adelaide plains;
 - (b) the Adelaide plains are a major economic driver for South Australia, producing hundreds of millions of dollars of fruit and vegetables each year;
 - (c) the collective losses sustained by growers have run into tens of millions of dollars;
 - (d) many of the producers affected by the floods are family enterprises with limited financial capacity to withstand the losses and damage; and
- (2) calls on the Government to report back to the House on what assistance measures will be provided to growers seriously affected by the floods.

(Notice given 17 October 2016.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Zappia — 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.

6 MR WOOD: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes:
 - (a) that palm oil, because of its low cost, is a common ingredient in many packaged foods, often supplementing vegetable oil; and
 - (b) the misleading labelling of palm oil in Australian products, often labelled as vegetable oil, with 50 per cent of products sold in supermarkets containing palm oil;

- (2) further notes that palm oil has high levels of saturated fat with over 50 per cent of its composition being saturated fat, which is very dangerous to consumers with heart or other conditions;
- (3) recognises the damage to the environment and endangered animals as a result of mass deforestation in Malaysia and Indonesia which has led to the exponential threat of extinction to animals such as orangutans, tigers, elephants and rhinoceroses, all of which are already critically endangered; and
- (4) calls on the Government to change the labelling laws on products sold in Australia to require products to clearly state when they contain palm oil.

(Notice given 17 October 2016.)

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.

Orders of the day - continued

- **2 HOUSING:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 October 2016*) on the motion of Ms Claydon—That this House:
 - (1) notes that:
 - (a) having safe and affordable housing is a basic human right and the absence of which has a huge human, social and economic cost;
 - (b) housing stress and homelessness are serious issues in Australia—first-home buyers are having difficulty entering the market, rental affordability in cities is at a crisis point, waiting lists for social housing continue to grow, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians are disproportionately represented in homelessness and housing stress and there are rising levels of homelessness with 105,000 people designated as homeless on any given night; and
 - (c) there are often complex social, financial and medical issues that cause housing stress and homelessness that are beyond an individual's direct control; and
 - (2) calls on the Government to:
 - (a) appoint a Minister for Housing and Homelessness to provide the necessary focus and leadership required to address the housing issues being experienced in Australia; and
 - (b) develop and implement a national housing strategy to ensure a sufficient, modern and equitable housing system for all Australians.

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

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.

Notices - continued

7 MR WILKIE: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) more than \$800 million was lost by Australians on legal sports betting in 2014-15, an increase of more than 30 per cent from 2013-14;
 - (b) while some restrictions on gambling advertising exist, there is an exemption that allows gambling advertising during televised sporting events at children's viewing times; and
 - (c) research shows that children are especially susceptible to such advertising;
- (2) recognises the pressing need to act to reduce the level of gambling advertising, particularly during children's viewing times;
- (3) calls on the Government to amend the *Broadcasting Services Act 1992* to ban gambling advertising during sporting broadcasts; and
- (4) further notes community concern about the recent increased level of gambling advertising on the SBS, and calls on the Minister for Communications to issue a directive under section 11 of the *Special Broadcasting Service Act 1991* to limit the amount of such advertising.

(Notice given 31 August 2016.)

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

Speech time limits —
 Mr Wilkie — 10 minutes.
 Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking = 1 x 10 mins + 3 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

19 October 2016