HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SELECTION COMMITTEE

REPORT No. 36

Committee and delegation business

and

private Members' business

11 August 2021

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, 10 August 2021.
- 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, 10 August 2021, and determined the order of precedence and times on Monday, 23 August 2021, as follows:

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

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION BUSINESS

Presentation and statements

1 Standing Committee on Tax and Revenue

Owning a share of your work: tax treatment of employee share schemes

The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.20 am.

Speech time limits — Ms Owens — 5 minutes. Next Member speaking — 5 minutes. [Minimum number of proposed Members speaking = 2 x 5 mins]

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

- **1 MR WALLACE:** To move—That this House:
 - (1) notes that:
 - (a) after 20 years of dedicated service, this September, the Australian Defence Force (ADF) will withdraw its remaining personnel from Afghanistan; and
 - (b) in May 2021, Australia's residential representation in Afghanistan and the Australian Embassy in Kabul were closed;

- (2) further notes that:
 - (a) during the past 20 years, 41 ADF personnel and more than 40,000 civilians have lost their lives in conflict in Afghanistan;
 - (b) despite the continued efforts of the Afghan National Army, the security situation in many districts of Afghanistan remains extremely challenging; and
 - (c) since September 2020, direct peace talks between the Afghan Government and the Taliban have been ongoing;
- (3) acknowledges that the withdrawal of coalition forces from Afghanistan presents a significant challenge to maintaining peace in the region;
- (4) further acknowledges that Australia and its coalition partners have an ongoing responsibility to honour the sacrifice of 41 Australians and to support the people of Afghanistan in securing a lasting peace;
- (5) commends the dedicated members of the ADF and Australian Diplomatic Corp for their service in difficult and dangerous conditions in Afghanistan over the past 20 years; and
- (6) wishes the Afghan Government and people of Afghanistan well in their continued efforts toward peace.

(Notice given 24 June 2021.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes. 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.

2 DR HAINES: To move—That this House:

- (1) recalls the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety made multiple recommendations urging the Government to immediately improve the supply, diversity, and affordability of aged care across rural and regional Australia;
- (2) notes that it is now more than three months since the Government announced \$630 million over five years to improve the respect, care and dignity shown to rural and regional Australians in the aged care system, including their families;
- (3) calls on the Government to:
 - (a) explain exactly when and how it will deliver tangible progress on aged care in rural and regional Australia, particularly through:
 - (i) rapid improvements to the supply of quality fit-for-purpose residential facilities;

- (ii) lowering the wait times for home care packages, which remain unacceptable;
- (iii) preventing aged care providers from exploiting consumers through excessive administration and management fees through greater transparency and consideration of imposing caps; and
- (iv) specific measures to improve skilled workforce training and retention in rural and regional Australia, including through improved pay, conditions, and staffing;
- (b) fully commit to recommendation 86 of the Royal Commission by ensuring at least one registered nurse is on site at all residential aged care facilities at all times; and
- (c) implement the recommendations of Multi-Purpose Service Review, which was completed almost two years ago in October 2019 as soon as possible; and
- (4) raises specific concerns about the urgent need for a high-care residential aged care facility in Bright in regional Victoria which has gone without a dedicated aged care solution for over three decades, and implores the Government work proactively with the Victorian Government and Alpine Health to implement an effective solution as soon as possible.

(Notice given 9 August 2021.)

Time allotted — 50 minutes. Speech time limits — Dr Haines — 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.

- **3 MR VAN MANEN:** To move—That this House:
 - (1) notes the vital nature of Black Spot Program (BSP) funding in reducing death and serious injury on Australian roads;
 - (2) recognises that BSP projects target those road locations where crashes are occurring, which are a major cost to Australians every year;
 - (3) commends the Government for its extensive commitment to road safety through infrastructure investment, by providing \$1.1 billion to the BSP from 2013-14 to 2023-24, with an ongoing commitment of \$110 million each year following; and
 - (4) acknowledges research from the Bureau of Infrastructure and Transport Research Economics that the Government's BSP reduces death and serious injury from crashes by 30 per cent, on average at treated sites.

(Notice given 23 June 2021.)

Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 12 noon. Speech time limits — Mr van Manen — 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.

THE HON A. D. H. SMITH MP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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