

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following should be inserted in the *House of Representatives Standing Orders as at 2 August 2022*.

Sessional Order

Sessional order 65A was amended on 5 September 2022, as follows:

65A Opportunities for crossbench Members

Consistent with the principle that the call should alternate between government and non-government Members and to enable crossbench Members to receive the call in accordance with the crossbench proportion of the non-government membership of the House:

- (a) During Question Time, priority shall be given to a crossbench Member seeking the call on the fifth, thirteenth and seventeenth questions.
- (b) During each period of Members' statements in the House, priority shall be given to at least two crossbench Members seeking the call (*standing order 43*).
- (c) During each period of Members' statements in the Federation Chamber on Mondays, priority shall be given to at least three crossbench Members seeking the call (*standing order 43*).
- (d) During each 30 minute period of Members' constituency statements in the Federation Chamber, priority shall be given to at least one crossbench Member seeking the call (*standing order 193*).

- (e) During the grievance debate in the Federation Chamber, every second Tuesday priority shall be given to a crossbench Member seeking the call as the first speaker (*standing order 192B*).
- (f) During the adjournment debate in the House, on Tuesdays and Thursdays priority shall be given to a crossbench Member seeking the call as the first speaker (*standing order 31*).
- (g) During the adjournment debate in the Federation Chamber, every second Thursday priority shall be given to a crossbench Member seeking the call as the first speaker (*standing order 191*).
- (h) For the matter of public importance discussion, the Speaker shall have regard to the crossbench proportion of the non-government membership of the House in selecting matters proposed (*standing order 46*).

Remote participation in proceedings— Federation Chamber

Resolution adopted 8 September 2022

For all meetings of the Federation Chamber from Monday, 12 September 2022, Members granted leave of absence by the House of Representatives, and not physically present in Parliament House, may participate remotely in proceedings of the Federation Chamber by the official parliamentary video facility, as provided:

- (1) Members participating remotely must be present at either an Electorate Office or a Commonwealth Parliament Office;
- (2) Members present by the official parliamentary video facility may speak only after being recognised by the Chair for the purposes of making a speech;
- (3) Members present by the official parliamentary video facility may not:
 - (a) be counted for quorum;
 - (b) move or second any motion; or
 - (c) move or second any amendment to a motion or bill;
- (4) notice is to be provided to the Chair, 15 minutes prior to a Member, who is participating remotely, seeking to make a speech;
- (5) the Standing Orders apply except as affected by this resolution;

- (6) contributions to proceedings made by Members present by the official parliamentary video facility will be recorded in Hansard; and
- (7) the resolution on remote participation in proceedings in the Chamber, adopted by the House on 24 August 2020, applies to remote participation in proceedings in the Federation Chamber as if they were proceedings in the House, as affected by this resolution.