

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SELECTION COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 6

Committee and delegation business

and

Private Members' business

17 November 2010

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Chair	Mr H A Jenkins MP, Speaker
Members	Mr A P Bandt MP
	Mr M M Coulton MP, Nationals Whip
	Hon W G Entsch MP, Chief Opposition Whip
	Hon J L Fitzgibbon MP, Chief Government Whip
	Ms J G Hall MP
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	Ms Kay Brett

**Report relating to the consideration of committee and delegation business
and private Members' business on Monday, 22 November 2010, and other matters**

1. The committee met in private session on Tuesday, 16 November 2010.
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, 22 November 2010, 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 Regional Australia

Statements concerning the Committee's inquiry into the socio-economic impact of the proposed Murray-Darling Basin Plan.

The Committee determined that statements on the report may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.25 am.

Speech time limits —

Mr Windsor (Chair) — 10 minutes.

Mr Sidebottom (Deputy Chair) — 5 minutes.

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

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

- 1 MR BILLSON:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010*, and for related purposes. (*Competition and Consumer (Price Signalling) Amendment Bill 2010*). (Notice given 15 November 2010.)

Presenter may speak for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41.

- 2 **MR MURPHY:** To move—That this House acknowledges that climate change is:
- (1) real; and
 - (2) human-induced. (*Notice given 15 November 2010.*)

Time allotted — 35 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Murphy — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 3 x 5 mins]

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

Orders of the day

- 1 **ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION
(PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY) AMENDMENT BILL 2010** (*Mr Hartsuyker*):
Second reading (*from 15 November 2010*).

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

Speech time limits —

Mr Hartsuyker — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 6 x 5 mins]

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

Items for House of Representatives Chamber (8 to 9.30 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS’ BUSINESS

Notices

- 3 **MR DANBY:** To move—That this House:
- (1) congratulates Mr Liu Xiaobo for having been awarded the 2010 Nobel Peace Prize;
 - (2) notes that:

- (a) Mr Liu was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for ‘his long and non-violent struggle for fundamental human rights in China’;
 - (b) on 23 December 2009 Mr Liu was tried for ‘inciting subversion of state power’, and on 25 December 2009 sentenced to eleven years’ imprisonment and two years’ deprivation of political rights;
 - (c) Mr Liu was tried in the context of his advocacy for the petition known as ‘Charter 08’ which was initially signed by 350 Chinese intellectuals and human rights activists; and
 - (d) ‘Charter 08’ calls for 19 changes to improve human rights in China, including an independent legal system, freedom of association and the elimination of one-party rule;
- (3) calls for Mr Liu to be released and his sentence repealed; and
 - (4) supports the right of Chinese citizens to call for political reform, greater protection of human rights and democratisation in their country. (*Notice given 18 October 2010.*)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Danby — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 2 x 5 mins]

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

Orders of the Day

1 BANKING AMENDMENT (DELIVERING ESSENTIAL FINANCIAL SERVICES) BILL 2010 (*Mr Bandt*): Second reading (*from 15 November 2010*).

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Bandt — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 2 x 5 mins]

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

Notices — continued

4 MR KATTER: To move—That this House:

- (1) resolves that it will oppose any sale of the Australian Securities Exchange that would provide majority foreign ownership; and
- (2) notes that such a sale would not merely involve the ASX as an asset, but may hand over to a foreign corporation the regulatory function inherent in a stock exchange. (*Notice given 28 October 2010.*)

Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 9.30 pm.

Speech time limits —

Mr Katter — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 2 x 5 mins]

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

Items for Main Committee (approx 11 am to approx 1.30 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Orders of the day

- 1 **PAID PARENTAL LEAVE (REDUCTION OF COMPLIANCE BURDEN FOR EMPLOYERS) AMENDMENT BILL 2010** (*Mr Billson*): Second reading (*from 15 November 2010*).

Time allotted — 40 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Billson — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 4 x 5 mins]

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

Notices

1 MR HAYES: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that 25 November marks White Ribbon Day, the symbol of the United Nations' International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women;
- (2) recognises that White Ribbon Day aims to prevent violence against women by increasing public awareness and education by challenging the attitudes and behaviours that allow violence to continue;
- (3) asks all Australian men to challenge these attitudes and behaviours, so that we can begin to drive real change in our community;
- (4) asks 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;
- (5) notes with concern that one in three women will experience physical violence, and one in five will experience sexual violence over their lifetime;
- (6) understands that domestic and family violence are primary causes of homelessness;
- (7) acknowledges the cost of violence against women and their children to the Australian economy was estimated to be \$13.6 billion in 2008-09, and if we take no action to shine a light on this violence, that cost will hit an estimated \$15.6 billion by 2021-22; and
- (8) asks all Members to show that they are challenging violence against women by wearing a white ribbon or wristband on White Ribbon Day. (*Notice given 18 October 2010.*)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Hayes — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 2 x 5 mins]

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

2 MR PYNE: To move—That this House:

- (1) expresses its concern that the Government's deadline to have the national curriculum available for implementation from January 2011 will result in a substandard curriculum; and
- (2) requires the Government to delay the implementation of the national curriculum until January 2012 for K-10 in the areas of English, maths, science and history.
(*Notice given 28 October 2010.*)

Time allotted — 40 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Pyne — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 4 x 5 mins]

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

3 MR BRIGGS: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes:
 - (a) the announcement on 18 October 2010 by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship about the commissioning of a detention facility at Inverbrackie in South Australia costing \$9.7 million to accommodate 400 people, consisting of family groups who are undergoing refugee status assessment;
 - (b) that the Prime Minister and the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship failed to consult with the State Government of SA, the Adelaide Hills Council and the local Woodside community on the commissioning of this facility; and
 - (c) that the Prime Minister visited the Adelaide Hills on the Sunday 17 October 2010 immediately prior to the announcement and made no mention of the plan to commission the detention facility at Inverbrackie;
- (2) provides a reference to the Joint Standing Committee on Migration to undertake the following inquiry:
 - (a) that the Joint Standing Committee on Migration inquire into the commissioning of a detention facility for 400 people comprising family groups at Inverbrackie, including:
 - (i) the suitability of the site for locating a detention facility for the purpose of accommodating family groups in comparison with alternative options available to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship;
 - (ii) the impact of the operation of the facility on the local community, including on health, education, recreation, transport, police and other community services;
 - (iii) the impact on defence operations, personnel and family groups based at the Inverbrackie facility;
 - (iv) the impact of the facility on the local economy and small business;
 - (v) the level of community support for the commissioning of the facility;

- (vi) the level of cost and extent of services and facilities provided to clients at the detention facility; and
- (vii) potential risks that need to be managed for the successful operation of the facility;
- (b) that the Joint Standing Committee on Migration undertake public hearings in Woodside, SA and Canberra, ACT to facilitate the participation of community members, local service providers, council officers and state and federal departmental officials to assist the Committee with its inquiry; and
- (c) that the Joint Standing Committee on Migration report back no later than the first sitting week of Parliament in 2011; and
- (3) calls on the Government to postpone commissioning the detention facility for 400 people including family groups at Inverbrackie, until such time as the Committee has reported and the Government has provided a response to that report to the Parliament. (*Notice given 25 October 2010.*)

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

Speech time limits —

Mr Briggs — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 4 x 5 mins]

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

Items for Main Committee (approx 6.30 to 9 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

4 MS PARKE: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) on 17 December 2010 Australia will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child;
 - (b) the Convention on the Rights of the Child is an attempt to ensure that children everywhere have the best opportunity in life regardless of where they live, their race or gender, including the right to go to school, to have access to shelter and food, to play and to have their opinions heard and respected; and
 - (c) there has been significant progress in that 10 000 fewer children die per day than they did twenty years ago but there are still 8 million children dying each year before their fifth birthdays of causes that are easily preventable through such simple and inexpensive measures as insecticide-treated mosquito nets, vaccinations, breast-feeding for six months, clean water and sanitation;

- (2) applauds the work done for the benefit of children internationally by United Nations agencies, in particular UNICEF (the United Nations Children's Fund), and Non Government Organisations, such as World Vision, Save the Children and Marie Stopes International;
- (3) notes that while on the whole children in Australia fare better than children in other parts of the world, there remains significant issues to be tackled in Australia including child abuse and neglect, youth homelessness and the disadvantage suffered by indigenous children;
- (4) applauds the work done for the benefit of Australian children by the National Association for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect, as well as the Australian Human Rights Commission and Child Commissioners in the States and Territories;
- (5) welcomes the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2009-2020 as endorsed at the Council of Australian Governments meeting on 30 April 2009; and
- (6) calls upon the federal government to further consider:
 - (a) incorporating the Convention on the Rights of the Child in Federal legislation; and
 - (b) appointing a National Commissioner for Children. (*Notice given 25 October 2010.*)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Parke — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 2 x 5 mins]

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

5 MR SIDEBOTTOM: To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the Government's recent increased commitment to the replenishment of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, which
 - (a) increased the previous commitment of \$145 million in 2008-10, to \$210 million for the 2011-13 period;
 - (b) recognised the importance of the Global Fund in the treatment and prevention of AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, the three major infectious diseases;
 - (c) acknowledges the Global Fund as a highly effective funding mechanism for promoting global health and preventing 5.7 million deaths from AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria in some of the world poorest countries; and
 - (d) recognises the need to better fund the work of the Global Fund to deliver increases in the provision of antiretroviral therapy, tuberculosis treatment, long lasting insecticidal nets to prevent malaria, and treatment of women for mother-to-child transmission of HIV; and

- (2) urges all aid donor countries in the world to fund their fair share of the global amount required by the Fund, which is estimated to be \$20 billion over the next three years. (Notice given 15 November 2010.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Sidebottom — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 2 x 5 mins]

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

6 MR HUNT: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that the Australian Government has not released figures for the full rate of defects discovered under both the Home Insulation Safety Plan and the Foil Insulation Safety Programs;
- (2) calls on the Australian Government to release the full rate of defects discovered under both the Home Insulation Safety Plan and the Foil Insulation Safety Program, including the:
 - (a) number and percentage of roofs:
 - (i) found to be unsafe;
 - (ii) found to be faulty or substandard;
 - (iii) found to be flawed, unsafe or substandard in any way; and
 - (iv) rectified;
 - (b) cost of repairing the faulty, substandard or unsafe insulation; and
 - (c) total amount of money paid by the Australian Government to insulation companies for faulty, substandard, flawed or unsafe insulation; and
- (3) calls on the Australian Government to release information on the asbestos problem discovered under the Home Insulation Program, in particular:
 - (a) the number of roofs containing asbestos that received insulation;
 - (b) any specific warnings of asbestos risk given to installers prior to fitting the insulation;
 - (c) steps being taken to manage the asbestos risk for safety inspectors assessing roofs. (Notice given 16 November 2010.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Mr Hunt — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 2 x 5 mins]

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

7 MS HALL: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes:
 - (a) that Australia is one of the most obese nations in the developed world;
 - (b) that obesity is a growing problem in Australia;
 - (c) the recommendations of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Health and Ageing tabled on 1 June 2009;
 - (d) the findings and research of the George Institute and the Baker IDI Foundation;
 - (e) the findings and strategies developed by the National Preventative Health Taskforce in relation to obesity; and
 - (f) that the cost of the obesity epidemic to government at all levels is enormous and urgently needs to be addressed;
- (2) calls on all:
 - (a) levels of government to recognise the severity of the obesity problem in Australia and its cost;
 - (b) levels of government to continue to develop strategies to address Australia's obesity epidemic; and
 - (c) communities, and those living in them, adopt healthy lifestyles which include healthy eating and exercise;
- (3) acknowledges the contribution of the Minister for Health and Ageing in:
 - (a) raising community awareness of the obesity epidemic; and
 - (b) investing in preventative health programs. (*Notice given 25 October 2010.*)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Hall — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 2 x 5 mins]

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

8 MR RIPOLL: To move—That this House notes that:

- (1) the Intergenerational Report predicts Australia's population may reach 35.9 million by 2050;
- (2) population growth continues to be centred around Australia's capital cities;
- (3) the electorate of Oxley contains parts of Ipswich East, one of the statistical areas that has seen the largest population increases in Australia between 2004 and 2009;
- (4) continuing population growth is placing pressure on the sustainability of Australian cities and the lifestyles of their residents;
- (5) a 'business as usual' approach to planning and development will no longer be sufficient for the future needs of Australian cities;
- (6) building Sustainable Cities must become a policy priority for all levels of government; and

- (7) the future sustainability of Australian cities must include a need to ‘decentralise’ the capital cities and encourage major employers, such as government department, to regional and outer urban centres. (*Notice given 18 October 2010.*)

Time allotted — remaining private Members’ business time prior to 9 pm

Speech time limits —

Mr Ripoll — 10 minutes.

Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 mins + 2 x 5 mins]

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

3. The committee determined that the Wild Rivers (Environmental Management) Bill 2010 be referred to the Standing Committee on Economics for report by the end of the Autumn period of sittings in 2011.
4. The committee recommended that the following items of private Members’ business be voted on:

Orders of the Day

Mental health (resumption of debate, from 25 October 2010, on motion of Mr Dutton)

Joint Select Committee on Broadband (resumption of debate, from 25 October 2010, on the motion of Mr Turnbull)

Overseas trained doctors (resumption of debate, from 18 October 2010, on the motion of Mr Scott)

Special disability trusts (resumption of debate, from 18 October 2010, on the motion of Mrs Moylan)

Notice

Climate change (Notice of motion given by Mr Murphy on 15 November 2010).

5. The committee notes that it has previously recommended that the House adopt principles for selection of private Members’ items (Report No. 3 of 21 October 2010).

Harry Jenkins
Chair

17 November 2010