

COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

REPORT

31/3/99

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6.51 1/2 pm

MR SOMLYAY (Fairfax) — Mr Speaker, I present the report of the  
Committee of Privileges concerning an application for the  
publication of a response to a reference made in the House of  
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**MARCH 1999**

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**39th Parliament**

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<sup>1</sup> Nominee of the Deputy Leader of the Opposition

<sup>2</sup> Nominee of the Leader of the House

1. Mr W Thomas of Adelaide has made an application, under the procedure adopted by the House on 27 August 1997, for the publication of a response to references made in the House on 7 December 1998.
2. On 10 March 1999 the committee wrote to Mr Thomas, by fax, on the matter. It received a message from him on 16 March. The committee wrote again to Mr Thomas by fax on 23 March. It received a reply from Mr Thomas dated 29 March. The Committee wrote again to Mr Thomas by fax on 30 March, and received a reply from him on 31 March. Certain information relevant to the matter was published in the *Adelaide Advertiser* on 24 March and in the same newspaper on 25 March.
3. The committee, noting the circumstances of the matter, recommends that no further action be taken by the House or the Committee on it.



HON A M SOMLYAY MP  
Chair

31 March 1999