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## **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

# **NOTICE PAPER**

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WEDNESDAY, 10 MAY 2006

The House meets at 9 a.m.

## **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

## **Notices**

- \*1 MR DOWNER: To present a Bill for an Act to repeal the *Australia-Japan Foundation Act 1976*, and for related purposes. (*Australia-Japan Foundation (Repeal and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2006*)
- \*2 MR BROUGH: To present a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to the child support scheme, and for related purposes. (Child Support Legislation Amendment (Reform of the Child Support Scheme—Initial Measures) Bill 2006)

## Orders of the day

- \*1 FAMILY LAW AMENDMENT (SHARED PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY) BILL 2006: Consideration of Senate's amendments (*from 9 May 2006*).
- 2 ELECTORAL AND REFERENDUM AMENDMENT (ELECTORAL INTEGRITY AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2005 (Special Minister of State): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 9 May 2006—Mr Melham, in continuation) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the Bill be now read a second time—And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Griffin, viz.—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "this Bill be withdrawn until undemocratic provisions that:
  - (1) reduce the period of time Australians have to enrol to vote and update their details on the electoral roll;
  - (2) introduce new proof of identity requirements;
  - (3) increase the disclosure thresholds to \$10,000; and
  - (4) increase the tax-deductibility of political donations, are removed".

## **Notices**—continued

- \*3 MR ABBOTT: To move—That standing order 31 (automatic adjournment of the House) be suspended for the sitting on Thursday, 11 May 2006.
- \*4 MR NAIRN: To move—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: Facilities upgrade to Shoalwater Bay training area, Rockhampton, Queensland.
- \*5 MR BROUGH: To present a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to social security and veterans' entitlements, and for other purposes. (Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (One-off Payments to Increase Assistance for Older Australians and Carers and Other Measures) Bill 2006)

<sup>\*</sup> Notifications to which an asterisk (\*) is prefixed appear for the first time

<sup>†</sup> Debate to be adjourned to a future day at the conclusion of the time allotted.

## Orders of the day—continued

- 3 EXPORT MARKET DEVELOPMENT GRANTS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2006 (Minister for Trade): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 30 March 2006—Mr G. M. O'Connor).
- \*4 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 2006-2007 (*Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 9 May 2006—Mr Beazley*).
- \*5 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 2) 2006-2007** (*Special Minister of State*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 9 May 2006—Ms Gillard*).
- \*6 APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENTARY DEPARTMENTS) BILL (NO.1) 2006-2007 (Special Minister of State): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 9 May 2006—Ms Gillard).
- \*7 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 5) 2005-2006 (Special Minister of State): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 9 May 2006—Ms Gillard).
- \*8 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 6) 2005-2006** (*Special Minister of State*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 9 May 2006—Ms Gillard*).
- 9 **ASIO LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2006** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 29 March 2006—Ms Roxon*).
- 10 EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (WELFARE TO WORK AND OTHER MEASURES) (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2006 (Minister for Workforce Participation): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Mr Crean).
- 11 **FUEL TAX BILL 2006** (*Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 29 March 2006—Mr Murphy*).
- 12 FUEL TAX (CONSEQUENTIAL AND TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) BILL 2006 (Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Mr Murphy).
- 13 AUSTRALIAN TRADE COMMISSION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2006 (Minister for Trade): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 30 March 2006—Mr G. M. O'Connor).
- 14 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2006 MEASURES NO. 2) BILL 2006 (Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Mr Murphy).
- 15 AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH COUNCIL AMENDMENT BILL 2006 (Minister for Education, Science and Training): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 30 March 2006—Mr G. M. O'Connor).
- 16 AUSTRALIAN TECHNICAL COLLEGES (FLEXIBILITY IN ACHIEVING AUSTRALIA'S SKILLS NEEDS) AMENDMENT BILL 2006 (Minister for Vocational and Technical Education): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 30 March 2006—Mr G. M. O'Connor).

## **Notices**—continued

6 **MR ABBOTT:** To move—That standing order 47 be suspended for the remainder of this period of sittings, except when a motion is moved pursuant to the standing order by a Minister. (*Notice given 16 March 2005*.)

## Orders of the day—continued

- 17 LAW ENFORCEMENT INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER BILL 2006 (Attorney-General): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Ms Roxon).
- 18 LAW ENFORCEMENT INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2006 (Attorney-General): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Ms Roxon).
- 19 LAW ENFORCEMENT (AFP PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND RELATED MEASURES) BILL 2006 (Attorney-General): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Ms Roxon).
- 20 **AVIATION TRANSPORT SECURITY AMENDMENT BILL 2006** (*Minister for Transport and Regional Services*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 29 March 2006—Mr Crean*).
- 21 MARITIME TRANSPORT AND OFFSHORE FACILITIES SECURITY AMENDMENT (SECURITY PLANS AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2006 (Minister for Transport and Regional Services): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Mr Crean).
- 22 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS AMENDMENT BILL 2006 (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 30 March 2006—Mr Griffin).

- 23 FEDERAL MAGISTRATES AMENDMENT (DISABILITY AND DEATH BENEFITS) BILL 2006 (Attorney-General): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Ms Roxon).
- 24 CUSTOMS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (BORDER COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL **2006** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 29 March 2006—Ms Roxon*).
- 25 **PETROLEUM RETAIL LEGISLATION REPEAL BILL 2005** (*Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 30 March 2006—Mr G. M. O'Connor*).
- 26 SOCIAL SECURITY AND FAMILY ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES) BILL 2006 (Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 30 March 2006—Mr G. M. O'Connor).
- 27 AUSTRALIAN NUCLEAR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ORGANISATION AMENDMENT BILL 2006 (Minister for Education, Science and Training): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 30 March 2006—Mr G. M. O'Connor).
- 28 **CHILD SUPPORT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (Parliamentary Secretary—Children and Youth Affairs): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 8 December 2004—Mr A. S. Burke).
- 29 **RENEWABLE ENERGY** (**ELECTRICITY**) **AMENDMENT BILL 2006** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 March 2006—Mr Bevis*).
- 30 CORPORATIONS (ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER) BILL 2005 (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 23 June 2005—Mr Edwards).
- 31 AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP BILL 2005 (Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 9 November 2005—Mr G. M. O'Connor).
- 32 AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP (TRANSITIONALS AND CONSEQUENTIALS) BILL 2005 (Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 9 November 2005—Mr G. M. O'Connor).
- 33 TRADE PRACTICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2005: Consideration of Senate's amendments. (from 12 October 2005).
- 34 TELECOMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (REGULAR REVIEWS AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2005: Consideration of Senate's amendments (from 9 August 2005).
- 35 PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES: Consideration of Senate's message No. 4. (from 29 November 2004).
- \*36 STATUTORY REVIEW OF THE GENE TECHNOLOGY ACT 2000 AND THE GENE TECHNOLOGY AGREEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 9 May 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 37 REPORT ON THE CONDUCT OF REFUGEE REVIEW TRIBUNAL REVIEWS NOT COMPLETED WITHIN 90 DAYS—1 JULY TO 31 OCTOBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 38 WHEAT EXPORT AUTHORITY—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 39 REPORT ON THE COSTS OF THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S RUN-OFF COVER SCHEME FOR MEDICAL INDEMNITY INSURERS—2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 March 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Ruddock—That the House take note of the document.
- 40 NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION—REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY TO 31 DECEMBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 March 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Ruddock—That the House take note of the document.
- 41 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—PROTECTION VISA PROCESSING TAKING MORE THAN 90 DAYS—REPORT FOR 1 JULY 2005 TO 31 OCTOBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 2 March 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 42 AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE—THE SUPERANNUATION GOVERNMENT CO-CONTRIBUTION FOR LOW INCOME EARNERS—REPORT FOR 1 OCTOBER 2005 TO 31 OCTOBER 2005—MOTION TO

- **TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (from 2 March 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 43 JOINT COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—REPORT 403: ACCESS OF INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS TO LAW AND JUSTICE SERVICES—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 2 March 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 44 JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—AUSTRALIA'S HUMAN RIGHTS DIALOGUE PROCESS—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (*from 2 March 2006—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 45 AUSTRALIAN POLITICAL EXCHANGE COUNCIL—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 1 March 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 46 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—RESPONSE TO OMBUDSMAN'S STATEMENTS MADE UNDER SECTION 4860 OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 1 March 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 47 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—COMMONWEALTH OMBUDSMAN—SECTION 4860 OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958 [PERSONAL IDENTIFIER 014/05]—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 1 March 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 48 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—COMMONWEALTH OMBUDSMAN—SECTION 4860 OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958 [PERSONAL IDENTIFIER 016/05]—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 1 March 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 49 **HEALTH INSURANCE COMMISSION—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 February 2006—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Baldwin—That the House take note of the document.
- 50 NATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL—REPORTS OF THE LEGISLATION REVIEW COMMITTEE—SECTION 25(3) OF THE PROHIBITION OF HUMAN CLONING ACT 2002 AND SECTION 47(3) OF THE RESEARCH INVOLVING HUMAN EMBRYOS ACT 2002—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 February 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 51 RESEARCH INVOLVING HUMAN EMBRYOS ACT 2002—REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 APRIL 2005 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 February 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 52 SENATE EMPLOYMENT WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION REFERENCE COMMITTEE —BEYOND COLE; THE FUTURE OF THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY: CONFRONTATION OR CO-OPERATION?—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 February 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 53 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY—MID-YEAR ECONOMIC AND FISCAL OUTLOOK 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 February 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 54 PHARMACEUTICAL BENEFITS PRICING AUTHORITY—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 8 December 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 55 PARLIAMENTARIANS' TRAVEL PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION—JANUARY TO JUNE 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 8 December 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 56 FORMER PARLIAMENTARIANS' TRAVEL PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION—JANUARY TO JUNE 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 8 December 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.

- 57 PARLIAMENTARIANS' OVERSEAS STUDY TRAVEL REPORTS—JANUARY TO JUNE 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 8 December 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 58 FORMER GOVERNORS-GENERAL TRAVEL EXPENDITURE—JANUARY TO JUNE 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 8 December 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 59 SUBMISSION REPORT ON ILO INSTRUMENTS—ILO RECOMMENDATION 195, HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT, 2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 30 November 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 60 AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION—STATE OF THE SERVICE REPORT 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 30 November 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 61 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 29 November 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Lloyd—That the House take note of the document.
- 62 INDIGENOUS BUSINESS AUSTRALIA—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 29 November 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Lloyd—That the House take note of the document.
- 63 PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE OMBUDSMAN—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 29 November 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Lloyd—That the House take note of the document.
- 64 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR WOMEN IN THE WORKPLACE AGENCY—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 29 November 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Lloyd—That the House take note of the document.
- 65 MURRAY-DARLING BASIN COMMISSION—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (*from 8 November 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 66 INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COURT OF AUSTRALIA—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 8 November 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 67 **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REVIEW—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 2 November 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 68 AUSTRALIAN TRADE COMMISSION—EXPORT MARKET DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (EMDG)—LIST OF GRANT RECIPIENTS FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 13 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 69 **DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND RESOURCES—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 October 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 70 NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 71 STEVEDORING INDUSTRY FINANCE COMMITTEE—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 72 MEDIBANK PRIVATE—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 73 MEDIBANK PRIVATE—STATEMENT OF CORPORATE INTENT 2006-2008—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.

- 74 **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 October 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 75 COMMONWEALTH OMBUDSMAN—REPORT—INQUIRY INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE VIVIAN ALVAREZ MATTER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 76 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION, MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS—REPORT—IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OMBUDSMAN OF THE INQUIRY INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE VIVIAN ALVAREZ MATTER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 77 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION, MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS—REPORT—IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OMBUDSMAN OF THE INQUIRY INTO CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE IMMIGRATION DETENTION OF CORNELIA RAU—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 78 AUSTRALIAN STRATEGIC POLICY INSTITUTE—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 79 AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION—FUNDING DISCLOSURE REPORT—ELECTION 2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 80 OFFICE OF THE EMPLOYMENT ADVOCATE—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 81 COAL MINING INDUSTRY (LONG SERVICE LEAVE FUNDING) CORPORATION—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 82 JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES—DIFFICULT CHOICES: INQUIRY INTO THE ROLE OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AUTHORITY IN DETERMINING THE EXTENT OF REDEVELOPMENT OF THE PIERCES CREEK SETTLEMENT IN THE ACT—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 15 September 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 83 SELECT COMMITTEE ON RECENT AUSTRALIAN BUSHFIRES—A NATION CHARRED: INQUIRY INTO THE RECENT AUSTRALIAN BUSHFIRES—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 15 September 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 84 ASIA-PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP OF CLEAN DEVELOPMENT AND CLIMATE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 August 2005—Mr Nairn) on the motion of Mr Nairn—That the House take note of the document.
- 85 RESEARCH INVOLVING HUMAN EMBRYOS ACT 2002—REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 OCTOBER 2004 TO 31 MARCH 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 9 August 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 86 REPORT ON THE INQUIRY INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE IMMIGRATION DETENTION OF CORNELIA RAU—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 9 August 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 87 IIF INVESTMENTS PTY LTD, IIF(CM) INVESTMENTS PTY LTD, IIF BIO VENTURES PTY LTD, IIF FOUNDATION PTY LTD, IIF NEO PTY LTD—REPORTS FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 9 August 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 88 AIR PASSENGER TICKET LEVY COLLECTION ACT 2001—REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 APRIL 2004 TO 31 MARCH 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 9 August 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.

- 89 GENE TECHNOLOGY REGULATOR—QUARTERLY REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY TO 31 MARCH 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 9 August 2005—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 90 TARIFF PROPOSALS (Mr Hunt):

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 4 (2005)—*moved 13 October 2005*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Edwards*). Customs Tariff Proposal No. 5 (2005)—*moved 13 October 2005*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Edwards*). Excise Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2005)—*moved 13 October 2005*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Edwards*).

91 **LEGISLATIVE INSTRUMENTS (TECHNICAL AMENDMENT) BILL 2004**: Second reading (from 16 November 2004).

## **Contingent notices of motion**

- Contingent on any bill being brought in and read a first time: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the second reading being made an order of the day for a later hour.
- Contingent on any report relating to a bill being received from the Main Committee: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.
- Contingent on any bill being agreed to at the conclusion of the consideration in detail stage: Minister to move—
  That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the motion for the third reading being moved without delay.
- Contingent on any message being received from the Senate transmitting any bill for concurrence: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

## COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS

## Orders of the day

- 1 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—AUSTRALIA'S HUMAN RIGHTS DIALOGUE PROCESS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 September 2005) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 22 May 2006.)
- 2 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—REFORM OF THE UNITED NATIONS COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 September 2005) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 22 May 2006.)
- 3 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 67: TREATIES TABLED 21 JUNE 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 September 2005) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 22 May 2006.)
- 4 ASIO, ASIS AND DSD—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—REVIEW OF THE INTELLIGENCE SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 September 2005) on the motion of Mr McArthur—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 22 May 2006.)
- 5 ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—REVIEW OF THE RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA'S ANNUAL REPORT 2004 (2<sup>ND</sup> REPORT)—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 September 2005) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 22 May 2006.)
- 6 ELECTORAL MATTERS—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—CONDUCT OF THE 2004 ELECTION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 October 2005) on the motion of Mr A. D. H. Smith—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 22 May 2006.)

- 7 PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—MEDIA COVERAGE OF HOUSE PROCEEDINGS, INCLUDING THE CHAMBER, MAIN COMMITTEE AND COMMITTEES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 October 2005) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 22 May 2006.)
- 8 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REVIEW OF THE DEFENCE ANNUAL REPORT 2003-04—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 October 2005) on the motion of Mr Scott—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 22 May 2006.)
- 9 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—AUSTRALIA'S DEFENCE RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES—REPORT OF THE DELEGATION TO THE UNITED STATES, 28 JUNE TO 13 JULY2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 31 October 2005) on the motion of Mr Scott—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 10 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—AUSTRALIA'S FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH SINGAPORE, THAILAND AND THE UNITED STATES: PROGRESS TO DATE AND LESSONS FOR THE FUTURE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 November 2005) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 11 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT 404—REVIEW OF AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORTS 2003-04 3<sup>RD</sup> AND 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTERS; AND 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTERS OF 2004-05—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 November 2005) on the motion of Mr Baldwin—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 12 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 68: TREATIES TABLED 7 DECEMBER 2004 (5) AND 9 AUGUST 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 November 2005) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 13 AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF THE AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION ACT 2002—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 November 2005) on the motion of Mr Kerr—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 14 MIGRATION—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—DETENTION CENTRE CONTRACTS: REVIEW OF AUDIT REPORT NO. 1, 2005-2006, MANAGEMENT OF DETENTION CENTRE CONTRACTS—PART B—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 5 December 2005) on the motion of Mr Randall—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 15 NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON NORFOLK ISLAND FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY—THE CHALLENGE: SINK OR SWIM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 5 December 2005) on the motion of Ms A. L. Ellis—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 16 ASIO, ASIS AND DSD—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—ASIO'S QUESTIONING AND DETENTION POWERS—REVIEW OF THE OPERATION, EFFECTIVENESS AND IMPLICATIONS OF DIVISION 3 OF PART III IN THE AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANISATION ACT 1979—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 5 December 2005) on the motion of Mr Jull—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 17 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 69: TREATIES TABLED ON 13 SEPTEMBER AND 11 OCTOBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 5 December 2005) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

- 18 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 70: TREATY TABLED ON 9 NOVEMBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 6 December 2005) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 19 LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—REVIEW OF TECHNOLOGICAL PROTECTION MEASURES EXCEPTIONS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 1 March 2006) on the motion of Mr Slipper—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 20 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 72: TREATIES TABLED ON 29 NOVEMBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 March 2006) on the motion of Dr Southcott—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

## Notices given for Wednesday, 10 May 2006

- \*1 **MS HOARE:** To move—That this House:
  - (1) notes the release of a confidential document by the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion and Belief, which shows the Iranian authorities continue to identify and monitor the lives of Bahá'ís living in Iran;
  - (2) recognises the right of all people to worship freely without fear of persecution;
  - (3) expresses its concern that the Government of the Islamic Republic is monitoring the activities of the Bahá'í community in Iran and that Iranian newspapers and radio stations have been conducting an intense anti-Bahá'í campaign, similar to those that occurred in 1955 and 1979 in the lead up to Government campaigns of persecution against the Bahá'í community; and
  - (4) calls upon the Government of the Islamic Republic to cease its monitoring of the Bahá'í community and to desist from any campaign of persecution against Iranian Bahá'ís. (*Notice given 9 May 2006*.)
- \*2 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To move—That this House:
  - (1) acknowledge that on 16 June 2006 Australia and Japan celebrate the thirtieth anniversary of the signing of the Basic Treaty of Friendship and Co-operation between Australia and Japan that came into force on 20 August 1977; and
  - (2) recognise that:
    - (a) the Basic Treaty was a key step in helping to overcome the suspicions of the post World War Two environment and the establishment in our region of a commitment to peace and support for the United Nations; and
    - (b) thirty years on Australia and Japan share a great friendship and partnership on the political, security, economic, social, cultural, environmental and development fronts. (*Notice given 9 May 2006*.)
- \*3 MR KERR: To move—That this House:
  - (1) conveys its respects to His Excellency the Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Iran and request His Excellency to convey to Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Khomeini the House's opinion that the report of the Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief Concerned about Treatment of Followers of Bahá'í Faith in Iran dated 20 March 2006 has raised important issues regarding the impermissible treatment of members of religious minorities; and
  - (2) calls on the Government of Iran to refrain from categorising individuals according to their religions and to ensure that members of all religious minorities are free to hold and practise their religious beliefs without discrimination or fear. (*Notice given 9 May 2006*.)
- \*4 **MS HALL:** To move—That this House:
  - (1) acknowledges that many people over 50 are computer illiterate or do not own a computer;
  - (2) notes that:
    - (a) telephone numbers and postal addresses for government departments are not always featured in government advertisements and e-mail addresses only are shown;

- (b) government departments do not always have their street addresses in telephone directories, resulting in the cost of a telephone call for pensioners to locate the address of the government department; and
- (c) the absence of a tenants directory in government buildings makes it difficult to locate the floor of the government department, once the street location has been found; and
- (3) calls on the Federal Government to recognise:
  - (a) the difficulty older people are having in accessing information regarding the contact telephone number and location of government departments; and
  - (b) older people do not have the computer skills or access to computer technology to locate government departments if e-mail addresses alone are given. (*Notice given 9 May 2006.*)

## \*5 **MR BARTLETT:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises Taiwan's:
  - (a) world class health care system;
  - (b) strong commitment to improved international health standards and international health security; and
  - (c) proud record of medical assistance to developing countries;
- (2) notes that:
  - (a) as emphasised by Dr Jong-wook Lee, Director-General of the World Health Organisation (WHO), the experience of SARS in 2003, and the ongoing threat of Avian Influenza, show the imperative of an internationally coordinated approach to international health emergencies;
  - (b) in the same way that Taiwan's containment and management efforts during the SARS epidemic in 2003 were hampered by its inability to access the expertise of the WHO, its capacity to meet the challenges of a global Avian Influenza epidemic would be similarly constrained if it continues to be denied the right to participate in the operation of the WHO;
  - (c) the World Health Assembly's (WHA) Rules of Procedure formally allow for the participation of observers in the activities of the organisation, without reference to questions of sovereignty;
  - (d) the participation of observers in WHO activities is consistent with the principle of 'universal application', given expression in the WHO's constitutional mandate to "advance the health of all peoples";
  - (e) there are currently six semi-permanent WHA observers, including a sovereign state (the Holy See), a quasi-state (Palestine), a political entity (the Order of Malta), and three international organisations, and thus the granting to Taiwan of observer status should not be construed as a form of political recognition;
  - (f) private Members' bills in support of Taiwan's bid for observer status with the WHO were tabled in this House in both 2003 and 2004:
  - (g) support for Taiwan's previous bids has also come from many other governments, including the US Government, the EU, Japan and Canada at the May 2003 and 2004 Summits of the World Health Assembly in Geneva; and
  - (h) there is considerable public support for Taiwan's participation in the WHO from professional medical organisations; and
- (3) supports the participation of Taiwan in the WHA as an observer, given that such participation would allow Taiwan to more effectively contribute to international health coordination, and to better protect its 23 million people from possible trans-national health emergencies, including Avian Influenza. (*Notice given 9 May 2006.*)
- \*6 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To move—That this House, in recognising support by the Australian Government, Maritime Unions and shipowners for the new International Labour Organisation consolidated Maritime Convention:
  - (1) urges the Australian, State and Territory Governments to expedite recognition of the Convention by Australia; and
  - (2) calls upon the Australian Government to commit:
    - (a) resources to enhance compliance and enforcement measurers to ensure successful implementation of the Convention as shipping workers are amongst the most exploited in the world because of the extensive use of flag on convenience vessels; and

- (b) to cooperative processes including legislative change and resource allocation to support implementation of the Convention code as there is exhaustive documentation of violence, intimidation, double book keeping to cover up underpayment of wages and even rape and murder in the maritime industry. (*Notice given 9 May 2006*.)
- \*7 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To move—That this House believes that the Australian Government should declare 3 September each year as Merchant Navy Day in Australia as a means of:
  - (1) recognising the heroism of Australian seafarers in times of war;
  - (2) acknowledging that during World War II, one in eight Australian merchant seafarers perished; and
  - (3) noting that, in her address to the 2005 US National Maritime Day memorial service, US Secretary of Labour, Elaine L Chao, called on all Americans to honour the brave men and women who served the country, in times of war and said "American merchant mariners have a rich history in this nation... They have served in every American war since the United States was born. With their tradition of courage, patriotism and perseverance, merchant mariners have proven that they stand by this great nation no matter what the challenge. And in so doing, they have served as an inspiration to every generation of Americans."; and
  - (4) recognising the debt that all Australians owe to Australian merchant seafarers for the contribution they have made to the defence of this nation, particularly their role in the allied victory in World War II. (*Notice given 9 May 2006.*)

## \*8 **MS GEORGE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the statement made on 20 March 2006 by the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief expressing concern about the treatment of followers of the Baha'i faith in Iran;
- (2) expresses its grave concern that instructions have been issued to collect information and monitor activities of members of the Baha'i faith in Iran;
- (3) regards such action as an unacceptable interference with the rights of members of religious minorities;
- (4) fears that such monitoring could be used as the basis for persecution and discrimination against members of the Baha'i faith; and
- (5) urges the Government to pursue these concerns with our Embassy and with representatives of the Iranian Government. (*Notice given 9 May 2006.*)

## \*9 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To move—That this House:

- (1) in recognising that the Australian Government terminated Australia's Social Security agreement with the United Kingdom on 1 March 2001 in an attempt to force the U.K Government to address conditions of the agreement, notes that as a result of the Government's decision to terminate the Agreement:
  - (a) new arrivals from the UK of pension age will now need to accrue 10 year's residence in Australia to qualify for the Australian age pension; and
  - (b) former Australian residents will no longer be able to claim a non-means tested UK retirement pension using their Australian residence; and
- (2) calls on the Government to negotiate a new Agreement with the UK Government and that such an Agreement address the issue of the non-indexation of UK pensions in Australia so that the indexation of UK pensions will be of benefit to UK pensioners in Australia and Australian taxpayers. (*Notice given 9 May 2006.*)

#### **Notices**—continued

#### 1 **MR PRICE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) note the alarming and rapid increase in fuel prices in Western Sydney and across Australia;
- (2) recognise the severe implications of exorbitant fuel prices for local businesses and family budgets;
- (3) acknowledge residents' concerns about reported instances of possible price gouging practices within the petroleum refining and distribution industry; and
- (4) ask the Treasurer to direct the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission to formally monitor prices under Part VIIA of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*. (Notice given 10 October 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on the next sitting Monday after 22 May 2006.)

#### 2 **MS LIVERMORE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledge that the Federal Government formally recognised Australian South Sea Islanders as a distinct cultural group in 1994 and that this was followed by the Queensland Government in 2000;
- (2) recognise that Australian South Sea Islanders, as a group, experience disadvantage compared to the general Australian population;
- (3) note with disappointment that many of the practical measures to overcome this disadvantage recommended by the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission in its report *The Call for Recognition: A Report on the Situation of Australian South Sea Islanders* have not been implemented despite their endorsement by the Federal Government in 1994; and
- (4) call on the Federal Government to go beyond the symbolism of formal recognition of Australian South Sea Islanders by expanding current policies and enacting appropriate measures designed to deliver real assistance to this group. (*Notice given 13 October 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on the next sitting Monday after 22 May 2006.*)

## 3 **MR RUDD:** To move—That this House:

- (1) condemn unequivocally the statements of the President of Iran calling for the destruction of Israel;
- (2) welcome the stated position of the United Nations Security Council admonishing the Iranian President's statements and reminding all UN members to "refrain from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any state";
- (3) reaffirm its support for a two-state solution to the Israel/Palestine question; and
- (4) call on all nations in the Middle East, not just Israel and Palestine, to engage in the Road Map to Peace. (Notice given 31 October 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 4 **MR WINDSOR:** To move—That this House, while acknowledging that progress has been made in improving access to veterans' entitlements:
  - (1) note that anomalies remain in respect of eligibility for Gold Card benefits; and
  - (2) call on the Government to introduce legislation as a matter of urgency to address remaining anomalies, and, in particular, to cover the extension of eligibility for Gold Card benefits to service personnel who were enlisted in the Australian defence forces during World War 2, but, while willing to serve overseas were either kept at home to perform their service in Australia, or, although selected for service overseas, because of injury or other misadventure, were not in fact sent to serve overseas. (Notice given 31 October 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## 5 **MS KING:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledge that the drug Herceptin is accepted to be effective in the treatment of breast cancer;
- (2) note that:
  - (a) early diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer reduces complications and the chance of developing recurring tumors;
  - (b) Australian women suffering from breast cancer (FISH confirmed CERB2+) are entitled to access effective medications during early stages of the disease; and
  - (c) the cost of Herceptin at \$60,000 plus per annum puts this treatment beyond the reach of most women and their families; and
- (3) call on the Government to facilitate a expedited PBAC process for the listing of Herceptin. (*Notice given 31 October 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

## 6 **MS KING:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledge the important contribution made by the manufacturing sector to rural economies specifically and the Australian economy generally;
- (2) note that:
  - (a) the October Australian Industry Group Pricewaterhouse Coopers Australian Performance of Manufacturing Index shows the third decline of manufacturing activity in Australia in four months;
  - (b) the Australian automobile component parts manufacturing sector is under threat from cheap imports produced in countries with low wage levels and poor or nonexistent occupational health and safety safeguards; and

- (c) necessary research and design support to encourage the development of new processes and products is not available to manufacturers; and
- (3) call on the Government to:
  - (a) appoint a Minister with specific responsibility for manufacturing; and
  - (b) develop a plan to secure Australia's manufacturing future including investment in research and development, skills training and infrastructure. (*Notice given 3 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

#### 7 **MR BEAZLEY:** To move—That this House:

- (1) note that the Howard Government has now spent over \$50 million on a party political advertising campaign in an attempt to sell its extreme industrial relations changes;
- (2) note that the Howard Government intends to guillotine its extreme industrial relations legislation through the House of Representatives to limit debate on the 600 page bill and 600 page Explanatory Memorandum;
- (3) note that the Howard Government intends to set up a sham Senate inquiry into its extreme industrial relations legislation to further limit public scrutiny of the bill and its adverse impact on Australian workers and their families; and
- (4) call on the Prime Minister to agree to a televised national debate with the Leader of the Opposition to ensure the Australian community has a full appreciation of the adverse impact these draconian laws will have on their working lives. (*Notice given 7 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 8 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the standing orders be amended by amending standing order 80 to read as follows:

#### 80 Closure of Member

A motion may be made that a Member who is speaking, except a Member giving a notice of motion or formally moving the terms of a motion allowed under the standing orders or speaking to a motion of dissent (from any ruling of the Speaker under standing order 100), "be no longer heard", and such question shall be put forthwith and decided without amendment or debate. (*Notice given 9 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

9 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the standing orders be amended by inserting the following standing order after standing order 99:

## 99A Questions to committee chairs

A Question may be put to a Member in his or her capacity as Chair of a committee of the House, or of a joint committee, in connection with the work or duties of the committee in question. (*Notice given 9 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

10 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the following amendment to the Standing Orders be adopted for the remainder of this session:

## 102B Lodging questions in writing on behalf of constituents

- (a) A Member may lodge a question in writing in terms proposed by a person who lives in the Member's electoral division.
- (b) A question in writing given under this standing order may show the name of the person who has proposed the question.
- (c) A Member may not lodge more than 25 questions in writing under this sessional order in a calendar year.
- (d) Nothing in this standing order may be taken to mean that a Member must give notice of a question proposed to the Member by a person who lives in the Member's electoral division. (*Notice given 9 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 11 MR PRICE: To move—That standing order 104 be omitted and the following standing orders be adopted:

#### 104A Answers

The answer to a question asked orally shall be relevant and:

- (a) shall be concise and confined to the subject matter of the question: the asking of each question must not exceed four minutes;
- (b) the asking of each supplementary question must not exceed one minute;
- (c) the time taken to make and determine points of order is not to be regarded as part of the time for questions and answers;
- (d) shall relate to public affairs with which the Minister is officially connected, to proceedings in the House, or to any other matter of administration for which the Minister is responsible; and
- (e) shall not debate the subject to which the question refers.

**104B** The standing orders that apply to the asking of a question orally shall generally apply to the answer. (*Notice given 9 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)* 

12 MR PRICE: To move—That standing order 105 be amended and the following be inserted:

## 105C Replies to written questions

An answer to a question in writing shall be relevant to the question and shall be provided to the Member who asked the question within 30 days. (*Notice given 9 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

- 13 MR PRICE: To move—That standing order 209 be amended and the following be included:
  - (d) At the time provided for the presentation of petitions, the following arrangements shall apply to the presentation of petitions certified to be in conformity with the standing orders:
    - (i) in respect of each petition, the petitioner, or one of the petitioners, may present the petition to the House by standing at the Bar of the House and reading to the House the prayer of the petition, and
    - (ii) where a petitioner is not able to present the petition in accordance with standing order 209(d)(i), the Member who has lodged the petition may present it to the House by reading to the House the prayer of the petition. (*Notice given 9 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 14 MR PRICE: To move—That standing order 221 be replaced with the following:

## 221 Modernisation and Procedure Committee

- (a) A Standing Committee on Modernisation and Procedure of the House of Representatives shall be appointed to inquire into and report on practices and procedures of the House generally with a view to making recommendations for their improvement or change and for the development of new procedures.
- (b) The committee shall consist of the Speaker or his or her appointed Deputy Speaker, The Leader of the House or his or her appointed Deputy, the Manager of Opposition Business or his or her appointed Deputy and eight Members, four government Members and four non-government Members.
- (c) The Secretary of the Committee will be the Clerk or Deputy Clerk. (*Notice given 9 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 15 **MR CADMAN:** To move—That this House:
  - (1) condemn the persecution of all religious minorities around the world;
  - (2) request that the Government of the Republic of Turkey, in the spirit of freedom and respect for human rights:
    - (a) return to the Christian minority foundations, as well as to individual Christian Assyrians, Armenians and Hellenes, all the properties expropriated by the Turkish state;
    - (b) permit the re-opening of the Greek Orthodox Theological College on the island of Halke (Heybeliada);
    - (c) permit the re-opening of the Armenian Apostolic Seminary in Constantinople (Istanbul);
    - (d) permit other Christian denominations (Syriac Orthodox in particular) to operate seminaries of their own; and
  - (3) encourage all parties to work together to make a just and lasting and peaceful settlement to the Cyprus dispute. (*Notice given 10 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

#### 16 MR KERR: To move—That this House:

- (1) express concern that approximately eight Iraqi scientists have been held in detention in Iraq since the Coalition invasion in March 2003 despite the report of the Iraq Survey Group, accepted by the Governments of Australia, the UK and the US, finding that:
  - (a) no evidence that Iraq possessed weapons of mass destruction—the asserted basis for the Coalition invasion; and
  - (b) the scientists had not been engaged in the manufacture of biological, chemical or radiological weapons since 1991; and
- (2) urge the Australian Government to call on those legally responsible for Camp Cropper to provide valid reasons for the continued detention of the scientists, or release them immediately, given that:
  - (a) the scientists have not been charged with any crime;
  - (b) the scientists are being held indefinitely in case they are wanted for questioning at some point in the future; and
  - (c) Australia bears some responsibility for the welfare of the prisoners due to its participation in the Coalition's overthrow of the former Iraqi Government and its participation in weapons inspections. (Notice given 10 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 17 **MR GIBBONS:** To move—That this House note the importance of Australia's performing arts participants to our culture and national identity by:
  - (1) recognising the role young performers play as role models for Australian youth;
  - (2) acknowledging the contribution of all Australian artists in developing a distinctly Australian cultural identity;
  - (3) improving national investment in cultural education opportunities for young people in regional Australia;
  - (4) acknowledging particularly the role that young women have played in helping create an internationally-acclaimed cultural environment; and
  - (5) investigating the encouragement of performing arts education at a tertiary level in regional Australia. (Notice given 28 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## 18 MR ALBANESE: To move—That this House:

- (1) recognise that half of the world's languages are in danger of extinction, including many Australian aboriginal languages;
- (2) acknowledge the many different linguistic communities present in the electoral division of Grayndler and the significant contribution each of these communities makes to the cultural and linguistic diversity of Grayndler;
- (3) recognise that linguistic diversity is a key element of cultural diversity and that recognition of this diversity is a step towards greater intercultural understanding and harmony;
- (4) acknowledge the important role that preserving one's mother language plays in maintaining expressive, communicative and cultural traditions in our culturally diverse nation;
- (5) recognise that 21 February has been designated by UNESCO as International Mother Language Day; and
- (6) congratulate all community based organisations for promoting linguistic and cultural diversity in Australia and internationally. (*Notice given 28 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

#### 19 **MS HOARE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) expresse its concern that since 1979 the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran has denied the Bahá'í community access to higher education as a means of wider persecution, which is based entirely on religious discrimination;
- (2) call upon the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to recognise its legal obligations to provide access to education to all of its citizens, irrespective of religion, under the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, to which it is a signatory; and
- (3) call upon the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to immediately cease the persecution of the Bahá'í community. (*Notice given 29 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

- 20 MR RUDD: To move—That the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia:
  - (1) note the United Nations General Assembly's adoption in 1989 of the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights that commits member states to abolish the death penalty within their borders;
  - (2) note that 50 countries have signed and ratified the Second Optional Protocol including Australia in 1990;
  - (3) call on the Government through its efforts at the United Nations General Assembly and the United Nations Human Rights Committee to mount an international campaign in conjunction with the European Union with the objective of causing all states to sign and ratify the Second Optional Protocol as soon as is practicable;
  - (4) resolve that the Australian Parliament shall work in conjunction with the other parliaments of the world through the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and the International Parliamentary Union to sponsor resolutions within these bodies calling for the abolition of the death penalty; and
  - (5) note today's 4th annual 'Cities for Life, Cities against the Death Penalty' campaign, which currently involves more than 351 cities in 44 countries around the world, and calls on Australia's states and cities to become part of that campaign. (Notice given 30 November 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## 21 MR MCCLELLAND: To move—That this House:

- (1) note:
  - (a) the Parliament's and the Government's support for the international ban on victimactivated anti-personnel landmines but that no corresponding ban exists on vehicle-activated anti-vehicle mines;
  - (b) that anti-vehicle mines contaminate at least 56 countries around the world with severe impacts from anti-vehicle mines occuring in Afghanistan, Angola, Eritrea, Ethiopia and Sudan;
  - (c) that, like anti-personnel landmines, anti-vehicle mines:
    - (i) are indiscriminant, failing to distinguish between civilian and military vehicles;
    - (ii) kill many more civilians, humanitarian aid workers and peace-keepers than soldiers, killing hundreds each year;
    - (iii) leave behind a deadly legacy that lasts for decades after conflicts finish;
    - (iv) disrupt the movement of essential goods and humanitarian aid in impoverished post-conflict countries, resulting in thousands of lives being put at risk; and
    - (v) have had little actual combat usefulness since World War II;
  - (d) that the presence of anti-vehicle mines makes the construction of improvised explosive devices easier for terrorist and insurgent groups;
  - (e) that the costs of clearing anti-vehicle mines are expensive and time consuming;
  - (f) that since 1974, three Australians have been killed by anti-vehicle mines;
  - (g) that publicly available information suggests that Australian Defence Force personnel have not used anti-vehicle mines in any conflict since the Second World War;
  - (h) that Australia's stock of anti-vehicle mines is obsolete and used only for training purposes; and
  - (i) that the dominance of air power on the modern battlefield and the development of modern anti-tank weapons means that anti-vehicle mines are becoming more and more irrelevant to modern armed forces; and
- (2) call on the Government to:
  - (a) introduce legislation to prevent the production, trade and use of anti-vehicle mines that are not command detonated, except for training in mine clearance by ADF personnel, effectively extending legislation that already exists for victim-activated anti-personnel landmines; and
  - (b) request that the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties conduct an inquiry into the best path forward for developing international consensus on an international instrument banning the use of, stockpiling of, trade in, and manufacture of, anti-vehicle mines that are not command detonated having regard to the:
    - (i) humanitarian impacts of anti-vehicle mines;
    - (ii) risks posed by anti-vehicle mines to ADF personnel in operations around the world;

- (iii) evidence of the declining military utility of anti-vehicle mines on modern battlefields;
- (iv) existing restrictions placed on anti-vehicle mines by Amended Protocol II of the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May be Excessively Injurious or To Have Indiscriminate Effects (CCW) and the effectiveness of these existing measures; and
- (v) current discussion within the CCW with regard to a new Protocol to place restrictions on the design of, trade in, and use of, Mines Other Than Anti-Personnel Mines. (Notice given 1 December 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## 22 MR PRICE: To move—That this House:

- (1) congratulate the Rooty Hill RSL Youth Club on the occasion of its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary;
- (2) recognise the important role it has played in the provision of sporting activities for the young people of the local area, such as cricket, rugby league, swimming, gymnastics, baseball, netball and soccer;
- (3) acknowledge the fine work the club does in the local community, including participating and assisting in the Blacktown City Festival, National Tree Planting Day, the Salvation Army Red Shield appeal, the Mt Druitt Hospital Fete and the Royal Deaf and Blind Society's Splash for Cash;
- (4) note the role the club has played in celebrating Australia's ANZAC heritage; and
- (5) wishe the club well for the future. (*Notice given 1 December 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 23 MR DANBY: To move—That, in light of recent calls by world leaders, including the President of the United States, for a resolution of the Tibet issue prior to the 2008 Beijing Olympics and the statement by Professor Samdhong Rinpoche, Prime Minister of the Tibetan Parliament-in-exile at the 4<sup>th</sup> World Parliamentarians for Tibet Convention in Edinburgh on 18 November 2005, this House call on the Government to:
  - (1) urge the Government of the People's Republic of China to finalise negotiations with the Tibetan government-in-exile for the granting of autonomy to Tibet within the People's Republic of China, prior to the 2008 Beijing Olympics;
  - (2) congratulate the Government of the People's Republic of China for re-opening negotiations with the envoys of His Holiness the Dalai Lama and the Tibetan government-in-exile;
  - (3) call on President Hu Jintao to demonstrate his personal commitment to resolving the issue of Tibet by meeting with His Holiness the Dalai Lama as soon as possible at a mutually agreed venue;
  - (4) call on the Government of the People's Republic of China to issue an invitation to His Holiness the Dalai Lama to visit China and the traditional regions of Tibet;
  - (5) call on the Government of the People's Republic of China to bring a halt to the destruction of historic buildings and other items pertaining to the cultural heritage of Tibet;
  - (6) request the Government of the People's Republic of China to free all Tibetan political prisoners, including the Panchen Lama, Gedhun Choekyi Nyima;
  - (7) request the Government of the People's Republic of China to commit to the preservation of the Tibetan language and Tibetan culture; and
  - (8) request that the Government of the People's Republic of China give genuine consideration to the recommendations of the Declaration of the 41 World Parliamentarians for Tibet Convention, Edinburgh, 19 November 2005. (Notice given 1 December 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## 24 MR BOWEN: To move—That this House:

- (1) note the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) of October 2005 which outlines the persecution currently suffered by members of the Assyrian, Chaldean and Mandean communities in Iraq;
- (2) note that a large number of individuals seeking entry to Australia from Iraq under the Special Humanitarian Program claiming persecution based on religion have had their applications denied; and
- (3) call on the Australian Government to review its policy on refugee applications from members of religious minorities in Iraq in light of the UNHCR paper. (*Notice given 6 December 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

#### 25 **MR BAIRD:** To move—That this House:

- (1) note with sadness the execution of the young Australian man, Mr Van Tuong Nguyen, in Singapore on Friday 2 December 2005;
- (2) extend the sympathies of the Australian Parliament to Mr Nguyen's family;
- (3) call on Singapore to review its mandatory application of the death penalty;
- (4) note with concern the increasing use of the death penalty around the world;
- (5) note the demonstrable failure of the death penalty as a disincentive for crime;
- (6) note the death penalty's finality in cases where the innocent are convicted of capital offence;
- (7) oppose capital punishment in all forms; and
- (8) call on the Australian Government and this Parliament to use it's influence to lobby other sovereign nations to abolish capital punishment as a method of administering criminal justice. (*Notice given 7 December 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

## 26 MR FITZGIBBON: To move—That this House:

- (1) refer to the Standing Committee on Economics, Finance and Public Administration for inquiry and report the most appropriate models for introducing greater scrutiny and transparency into the process for appointments to the Board of the Reserve Bank of Australia; and
- (2) resolve that until the committee has reported on new measures and new measures have been introduced, the committee be required to consider all nominations for the Board prior to them being confirmed. (Notice given 7 December 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## 27 MS A. L. ELLIS: To move—That this House:

- (1) recognise that building insurance is an essential service and must be regulated;
- (2) support and encourages:
  - (a) the principle for building insurance to be valued on either:
    - (i) agreed value (a value agreed between the insurer and the insured and not less than the market value for special inclusions); and
    - (ii) market value (the building cost based on figures from a quantity surveyor);
  - (b) settlement policies that reflect market or agreed value at the date a rebuild contract is signed and that takes into account the delay between the period of the incident and the time the rebuild commences;
- (3) call on the Government to expand the role of the Australian Valuation Office to set the market rates for building costs annually within regions for which insurance companies should base premiums and values and remove the CPI as an index;
- (4) call on the insurance industry to implement terminology that is standardized and simplified industry wide; and
- (5) call for Government and insurance industry funded prevention strategies, such as home fire risk reduction programs, in order to help keep insurance premiums low. (*Notice given 7 February 2006*. *Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006*.)

#### 28 **MR BOWEN:** To move—That this House:

- (1) note that the Government had previously given a commitment that a decision on the future of the Badgerys Creek airport site would be made by the end of 2005;
- (2) note that 2005 has come and gone; and
- (3) call on the Government to rule out permanently the construction of a second Sydney airport at the Badgerys Creek site. (*Notice given 7 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

## 29 MR RANDALL: To move—That this House:

- (1) call for the celebration of the Queen's Birthday holiday, which is observed in the States and Territories of Australia on various days and dates, to be replaced by a truly national day and that this uniform national public holiday be observed on the first Tuesday in November each year;
- (2) call for the Queens Birthday holiday to be observed in States and Territories in a form of their choice but not in the form of a public holiday; and

(3) recognise that the Melbourne Cup has become a national event and is observed by the majority of Australians in some form and the fact that a large number of Australians take time during the day to observe and celebrate this event means it is highly appropriate that this annual event be made available to all Australians as it is observed in Melbourne. (*Notice given 7 February 2006*. *Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006*.)

## 30 MS A. E. BURKE: To move—That this house:

- (1) note that there has been an increased global trend for companies to relocate various parts of their operations to locations outside of the country where the service is being delivered—a practice often referred to as off-shoring;
- (2) note that the practice of off-shoring has seen jobs and skills lost from the IT and finance sectors in Australia and that Deloitte Research predicts that 15% of all financial sector jobs will be moved off-shore by 2008;
- (3) recognise that participating in the global economy may deliver lower costs for local consumers and companies, however it must be done in a transparent and equitable manner; and
- (4) call on the Government to act now, before the flood of jobs offshore sees Australia losing out, by:
  - (a) ensuring privacy protection for consumers;
  - (b) providing consumers with a 'right to know' so that service providers disclose the country of origin which provides their services, equivalent to country of origin product labelling;
  - (c) developing a national skills base that is suited to the changing needs of the economy;
  - (d) providing assistance in reskilling displaced workers; and
  - (e) ensuring employees of the country where the jobs are relocated are also protected by ILO Labour Standards. (*Notice given 8 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

## 31 **MS HALL:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognise that Commonwealth base funding for the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program in New South Wales remains static (apart from indexation) for the five year term of the agreement;
- (2) note that the existing budget for the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program is not large compared to many other government programs with the allocation for NSW in 2005-2006 being \$111.2 million shared between the NSW and Commonwealth Governments;
- (3) call on the Australian Government and this Parliament to allocate additional funding resources for New South Wales Supported Accommodation Assistance to ensure the sustainability of a program that is vital to the health and wellbeing of Australian community life;
- (4) recognise that the funding required is extremely modest at a time when the Commonwealth Budget is in record surplus; and
- (5) note that as the homeless service system struggles to keep services operating on an ever diminishing funding pool, grave fears are held for the future for homeless people seeking assistance. (Notice given 8 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## 32 **MS HALL:** To move—That this House condemn the Federal Government for:

- (1) failing to adequately fund healthcare in Australia;
- (2) its role in causing the current doctor and nurse shortage in Australia; and
- (3) failing to adequately address this shortage. (*Notice given 8 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

## 33 **MR SAWFORD:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognise the diminishing effectiveness of the current educational framework used in Australian public and private schools; and
- (2) recommend, as a matter of urgency, the introduction of a more balanced approach to education that is inclusive of all our children in all our schools. (*Notice given 15 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

#### 34 **MR PRICE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) congratulate Rita Macalister on the occasion of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday;
- (2) note that:
  - (a) Rita came to Australia in 1978 from Uruguay;
  - (b) Rita is the first Uruguayan woman living in Australia to turn 100; and
  - (c) her birthday celebrations were held in the presence of His Excellency, Mr Pedro Mó-Amaro, the Ambassador of Uruguay, Councillor Leo Kelly, Mayor of Blacktown City Council, Rita's family, fellow residents of Residential Gardens and Mr Roger Price MP, the Federal Member for Chifley; and
- (3) congratulate the board of management of Residential Gardens, the Chief Executive, Marta Aquino, and staff who work so hard to provide the highest level of care for the residents of Residential Gardens. (Notice given 15 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

#### 35 **MR ALBANESE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) reject arguments stating that intelligence is related to race;
- (2) acknowledge that such comments have been inflammatory and have led to the vilification of people in the African community;
- (3) reassert the need for a non-discriminatory immigration policy;
- (4) call upon the Australian government to provide increased support for recently established communities;
- (5) recognise the contribution that these new communities are making to the wider Australian community. (Notice given 16 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

#### 36 MR GARRETT: To move—That this House:

- (1) note numerous calls by the international community, including motions passed by the European Union, the United States Congress, the United Kingdom House of Commons and others, for a cessation of human rights abuses in Burma;
- (2) note also statements by the Australian Government including most recently at the International Labor Conference in June 2005 concerning the current situation in Burma in relation to forced labour practices;
- (3) recognise that there has been no meaningful progress towards democratic rule in Burma and that opposition leader Aung San Suu Ky remains under house arrest;
- (4) recognise that the National Convention established by the Burmese junta cannot in its present state achieve a state constitution that will guarantee human rights, democracy and federalism in Burma, and to date has made nil progress;
- (5) call on the Australian Parliament and Government to reject the sham National Convention;
- (6) repeat calls for the urgent cessation of human rights abuses in Burma;
- (7) repeat calls for the immediate and unconditional release of Nobel peace laureate Aung San San Suu Kyi, U Tin Oo, Khun Tun Oo and remaining political prisoners;
- (8) urge the United Nations Security Council to act immediately, in concert with the international community, in relation to the current situation in Burma; and
- (9) further call on the Government to continue to engage vigorously with regional states, including the People's Republic of China, and India, with a view to encouraging support for the placing of Burma on the agenda of the UN Security Council. (*Notice given 16 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

## 37 **MR BAIRD:** To move—That this Parliament:

- (1) note with concern:
  - (a) the increasing use of the death penalty as a criminal sanction in our region;
  - (b) the execution of Mr Van Tuong Nguyen in the Republic of Singapore; and
  - (c) the plight of all Australians who are currently on death row;
- (2) congratulate the Governor-General, the Prime Minister and the Australian Government and Opposition for their recent efforts on behalf of Australians on death row; and

- (3) call on the Australian Government to:
  - (a) advocate with our regional neighbours the abolition of the death penalty or, as an interim measure, the establishment of a moratorium on executions; and
  - (b) encourage our regional neighbours to ratify the United Nations International Convention on Civil and Political Rights and the Second Optional Protocol. (*Notice given 27 February 2006*. *Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006*.)
- 38 MR ALBANESE: To present a Bill for an Act to ratify the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. (Avoiding Dangerous Climate Change (Kyoto Protocol Ratification) Bill 2006) (Notice given 27 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 39 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To move—That this House recognise:
  - (1) that 21 April 2006 marks the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the eight hour day;
  - (2) the achievement of stonemasons and building workers who marched through the city of Melbourne 150 years ago, gathering supporters on the way to Parliament to demand work life balance;
  - (3) the rationale behind the eight hour day was to strengthen family and community by giving workers time for recreation, self-improvement and full participation in civil society; and
  - (4) that dividing work and family time remains the biggest challenge facing workers, with working parents finding it difficult to fit in picking up children from school, shopping, housework and childcare into their demanding lives. (*Notice given 27 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

#### 40 MS A. E. BURKE: To move—That this House:

- recognise the plight of the thousands of community-based asylum seekers in Australia who are denied income support, work rights and Medicare access as a result of the Government's unfair and inflexible immigration policy, making survival nearly impossible without the assistance of various church and charity groups;
- (2) acknowledge that in many cases this breaches the Refugee Convention and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child; and
- (3) call on the Government to:
  - (a) abolish the 45 day rule, which prevents community-based asylum seekers who make visa applications outside that period from receiving any form of income or health benefits; and
  - (b) give all community-based asylum seekers in Australia work rights and access to Medicare. (Notice given 28 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## 41 MS A. E. BURKE: To move—That this House:

- (1) note that it is estimated that around one in six Australian women will be sexually assaulted in their lifetime;
- (2) condemn the reported statement of Sheik Faiz Mohamad that a victim of rape has "no-one to blame but herself";
- (3) acknowledge the trauma and suffering of victims of sexual assault and rape;
- (4) recognise the need for national leadership to combat these crimes; and
- (5) urge the Government to:
  - (a) develop a national strategy to combat sexual assault and rape;
  - (b) increase funding and resources to:
    - (i) assist victims of sexual assault and rape; and
    - (ii) educate the community about these crimes;
  - (c) make sexual assault education mandatory in Australian schools; and
  - (d) nationalise sexual assault laws—taking a 'best practice' approach—and create a central board to review these laws regularly. (*Notice given 28 February 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

## 42 **MS KING:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognise that:
  - (a) across all conflicts, from the Boer War to the Korean War, some 35,000 Australians were held as Prisoners of War (POW);
  - (b) PoWs suffered unimaginable trauma with 8000 dying in captivity;
  - (c) many PoWs are now in their 80's and that due recognition needs to be urgently given to their experiences; and
  - (d) Australian Ex-PoWs have worked to compile the list of Australians held as prisoners during wartime and that their names now appear on a memorial in Ballarat; and
- (2) acknowledge that for Australian PoWs the memorial in Ballarat has national significance. (*Notice given 2 March 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

## 43 **MR MELHAM:** To move—That this House:

- (1) note:
  - (a) the recent report by independent experts for the United Nations Human Rights Commission that calls for the immediate closure of the United States military's Guantanamo Bay detention centre;
  - (b) that United Nations Secretary-General, Kofi Annan, has strongly supported the call for the immediate closure of the Guantanamo Bay detention facility;
  - (c) that the United Nations investigators held that view that the legal regime applied to the persons detained at Guantanamo Bay seriously undermines the rule of law and a number of fundamental universally recognised human rights;
  - (d) that numerous eminent international and Australian lawyers, including former High Court judge Mary Gaudron, have expressed the view that the United States Military Commission process applied to Guantanamo Bay detainees is fundamentally flawed and contrary to the rule of law and the right to a fair trail; and
  - (e) that an Australian citizen, Mr David Hicks, has now been detained at Guantanamo Bay without trial for more than four years; and
- (2) call on the Australian Government to:
  - (a) repudiate its support for Mr Hicks' detention and prospective trial by a United States Military Commission;
  - (b) take all necessary measures to ensure that Mr Hicks is dealt with according to international recognised standards of justice, most importantly the right to a fair trial; and
  - (c) support the United Nations Secretary-General's call for the immediate closure of the Guantanamo Bay detention centre. (*Notice given 2 March 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

## 44 **MR BOWEN:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises that studies have shown that Vietnam veterans have a higher than average mortality rate, and that the highest levels of mortality occur among Royal Australian Navy veterans;
- (2) notes that a 2002 report by the National Research Centre for Environmental Toxicology found the method of providing drinking water to RAN ships in Vietnam made it likely that the drinking water provided to sailors was contaminated with dioxins in agent orange and herbicides and defoliants;
- (3) notes that the factors included in the Statement of Principles are for exposure to consumable potable water on RAN vessels in Vietnam when that water had been produced by evaporative distillation, must have an accumulated 30 days in Vietnam waters;
- (4) calls on the Government to:
  - (a) release the cancer incidence and mortality studies of Vietnam veterans; and
  - (b) respond quickly and ensure appropriate compensation for Vietnam veterans. (Notice given 27 March 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

#### 45 **MS KING:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges that the Australian furniture manufacturing industry is an important part of the Australian economy; and
- (2) notes that:

- (a) Australian furniture manufacturers face difficulties in sourcing Australian timbers due to the current logging auction system;
- (b) Australia's furniture industry is reaching crisis point with a number of Australian furniture markers having closed their doors; and
- (c) overseas manufacturers, in using labels such as Tasmanian Oak, are giving the impression their furniture is made in Australia by Australian craftspeople. (*Notice given 27 March 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

#### 46 **MR EMERSON:** To move—That this House:

- (1) expresses its deep concern about the problem of chronic school absences in Australia;
- (2) notes that children who miss large amounts of schooling will be severely disadvantaged in later life;
- (3) recognises that the impacts on the wider community of chronic school absences can include juvenile crime, higher rates of incarceration and welfare dependency;
- (4) encourages state governments to increase their efforts in providing support for families whose children are missing a great deal of school time; and
- (5) considers the Commonwealth has a role to play in reducing school absences through arranging family support teams and, potentially in instances where parents absolutely refuse to cooperate in sending their children to school, through mutual obligation arrangements for government income support payments. (Notice given 27 March 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## 47 **MR WINDSOR:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognising the serious impact that increased fuel costs have had on Australian industries, families and individuals;
- (2) acknowledging the mounting evidence of the reality of global warming and its impact; and
- (3) noting that the introduction of renewable energy targets in 2001 by the current Government has been seen by industry as a step in the right direction, but one that is not accompanied by sufficient authority to guarantee enforcement;
  - calls on the Government to establish a Renewable Sustainable Energy Authority to advance the development of new energy sources and the development of existing energy sources for the future, and to equip the authority to:
  - (a) advise the government and industry on the best outcomes for the future and the best means of achieving them;
  - (b) bring all groups and organisations involved together to ensure that all relevant economic, environmental and health issues are addressed; and
  - (c) ensure that all possible sources for renewable energy, including biofuels, wind, solar, water and other technologies are considered. (*Notice given 28 March 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

## 48 **MR WINDSOR:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises the hardship faced by families who face significant losses with the withdrawal of water rights;
- (2) acknowledges that a similar problem confronts those whose livelihood is threatened by government imposed changes in the use of forest resources;
- (3) acknowledges that compensation is being made in recognition of the loss of property rights caused by such policies;
- (4) recognises that any benefit such compensation confers will be substantially negated unless the government changes its stated policy of treating such compensation as income and taxing it accordingly; and
- (4) calls for the introduction and passage without delay of amendments to the Income Tax Assessment Act to correct this anomaly. (*Notice given 28 March 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 49 MR S. F. SMITH: To move—That the Workplace Relations Regulations 2006, as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2006 No 52 and made under the *Workplace Relations Act 1996* and the *Workplace Relations Amendment (Work Choices) Act 2005*, be disallowed. (*Notice given 28 March 2006. Regulations will be deemed to have been disallowed unless disposed of within 13 sitting days, including today.*)

#### 50 **MR RUDD:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes:
  - (a) that the Government ignored 27 separate warnings between 1999 and 2004 concerning the abuse of the United Nations oil for food program;
  - (b) that the Government ignored:
    - (i) at least 8 separate intelligence warnings, including 3 specific intelligence warnings about the Jordanian company Alia;
    - (ii) 3 specific warnings from the UN about the AWB;
    - (iii) 2 cabled reports from Baghdad on kickbacks on Oil for Food contracts; and
    - (iv) a formal Ministerial Submission advising the Foreign Minister and Trade Minister of Departmental concerns about what the AWB was up to;
  - (c) that because of continued Government negligence, the wheat for weapons scandal continued for 18 months after the invasion of Iraq;
  - (d) that the Government failed to provide full documentation and full cooperation with the Volcker Inquiry;
  - (e) that this scandal has damaged Australia's national security interests, Australia's export interests, as well
    as Australia's international standing; and
- (2) calls on the Government to widen Commissioner Cole's terms of reference as a matter of urgency so that Commissioner Cole can make findings on whether Ministers discharged their responsibilities under Australian domestic and international law to enforce UN sanctions against Saddam Hussein's regime. (*Notice given 28 March 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

#### 51 MRS IRWIN: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes:
  - (a) that the South West Women's Housing Inc in Liverpool NSW, along with other agencies across the country, have been doing an outstanding job in providing services for women and children at risk of homelessness under the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP);
  - (b) 24,150 clients were supported in NSW under SAAP in 2004-2005; and
  - (c) 19,600 children and young people under the age of 24 sought assistance through SAAP and that nearly 5000 of those were aged between 0-4;
- (2) recognises:
  - (a) that the need for SAAP services have been increasing over recent years;
  - (b) the Federal Government's own evaluation supported the need for a 15% increase in funding levels for NSW to "sustain service viability"; and
  - (c) the Commonwealth funding component has remained static, apart from indexation, in the latest five year funding agreement; and
- (3) calls on the Government to:
  - (a) urgently reassess the funding arrangement for SAAP services; and
  - (b) provide growth funds to adequately meet increased demand for SAAP services. (Notice given 29 March 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## 52 **MS KING:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledge that:
  - (a) it is now 42 years since the HMAS Voyager and HMAS Melbourne disaster;
  - (b) Australian defence force personnel who served on the HMAS Voyager and HMAS Melbourne have suffered ongoing psychological stress and trauma as a result of their experiences;
  - (c) many survivors from HMAS Voyager and HMAS Melbourne have sought compensation for psychological stress and trauma that has manifested itself in later life;
  - (d) the delays in settling these cases is causing further stress to survivors of HMAS Voyager and HMAS Melbourne disaster; and
  - (e) in some cases the delays in settling the case have lead to the cases being heard after the survivor of the HMAS Voyager and HMAS Melbourne collision has died; and

- (2) call on the Government to do everything within its power to expedite the legal proceedings of the survivors of the HMAS Voyager and HMAS Melbourne. (*Notice given 29 March 2006*. *Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006*.)
- 53 **MR BEAZLEY:** To move—That this House:
  - (1) notes that Commissioner Cole has stated (in correspondence to the Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade) that any amendments to the terms of reference for the Commission of Inquiry into the Wheat for Weapons scandal are a matter for executive government; and
  - (2) calls on the Government to use its powers to amend the Commission of Inquiry's terms of reference to allow for a full and proper inquiry into the payment of kickbacks to the Iraqi regime under Saddam Hussein by adding the following provision to Commissioner Coles letters Patent:

"Investigate and make findings on the performance and discharge of duties by any Minister or officer of the Commonwealth including under the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958 and UN Security Council Resolution 661 in relation to the use by Australian companies of the Oil for Food Program." (Notice given 29 March 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

## Orders of the day

- 1 GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING (PROHIBITING USE OF TAXPAYERS' MONEY ON PARTY POLITICAL ADVERTISING) BILL 2005 (Mr K. J. Thomson): Motion for second reading (from 12 September 2005). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 22 May 2006.)
- 2 **BANGLADESH:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 September 2005*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That this House:
  - (1) notes the historic and turbulent background of the state of Bangladesh and its cultural and religious diversity;
  - (2) calls on the government of Bangladesh to adhere to the terms of the 1997 peace agreement which calls for the:
    - (a) demilitarisation of the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT);
    - (b) formation of a land commission to settle disputes;
    - (c) rehabilitation of international refugees and internally displaced people;
    - (d) establishment of a separate ministry for the CHT with an indigenous MP as its Minister; and
    - (e) formation of a police force up to the level of sub-inspector drawn from among the indigenous population; and
  - (3) calls on the Bangladeshi government to address the concerned region in a more compassionate and democratic way and also to recognise the autonomy of the Jumma people. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 22 May 2006.*)
- 3 **CLARKE REVIEW OF VETERANS' ENTITLEMENTS:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 September 2005*) on the motion of Mr M. J. Ferguson—That this House:
  - (1) expresses its concern at the prosecution by the Howard Government of Melbourne *Herald-Sun* journalists Harvey and McManus for exposing the Government's intention to adopt only five of the sixty five changes recommended in the Clarke review of veterans' entitlements, including the Government's intention not to overhaul the Totally and Partially Incapacitated Pension Scheme, and further
  - (2) reaffirms the right of the journalists as provided for by their code of ethics not to reveal their sources and congratulates the journalists for doing the veterans a favour by revealing the Howard Government's intention to largely ignore the recommendations of the Clarke review of veterans' entitlements and in doing so, not deliver \$500 million in extra pensions to veterans and war widows. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 22 May 2006.)
- 4 **POVERTY:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 September 2005*) on the motion of Mrs May—That this House:
  - (1) recognises:
    - (a) that poverty and hunger remain the most important challenges facing the international community;

- (b) that there are 2.2 billion children in the world, over 1 billion children are severely deprived of at least one of the essential goods and services they require to survive, grow and develop and millions of children are severely deprived of nutrition, water, sanitation facilities, access to basic health-care services, adequate shelter, education and information;
- (c) that impoverished children often grow up to be impoverished parents who in turn bring up their own children in poverty and that in order to break the generational cycle of poverty, poverty reduction must start with children:
- (d) the contribution the Australian Government agency AusAID makes to reducing poverty in developing countries and the real funding increase of over 11 percent that AusAID received in this year's Federal Budget over last year's Budget figure; and
- (e) the work done by UNICEF on behalf of children of the world;
- (2) calls on the Australian Government to:
  - (a) continue on with its outstanding overseas aid program; and
  - (b) continue to focus on the essential building blocks for progress towards the Millennium Development Goals; and
- (3) on a bipartisan level, supports the work being done by UNICEF. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 22 May 2006.)
- 5 GAZA: Resumption of debate (from 10 October 2005) on the motion of Mr Baird—That this House:
  - (1) congratulates the Israeli government on its disengagement from the Gaza and parts of the Northern West Bank;
  - (2) recognises the ongoing conflict and unrest in the region;
  - (3) calls upon the Palestinian authority to collect arms and munitions from terror groups operating in the Gaza, such as Hamas; and
  - (4) urges continued United Nations assistance for the humanitarian and security situation. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 22 May 2006.*)
- 6 **FLU PANDEMIC:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 October 2005—Dr Washer*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Ms Gillard—That this House:
  - (1) notes that:
    - (a) experts agree that a flu pandemic, with the potential to kill millions of people, could occur at any time;
    - (b) this pandemic will most likely originate in South East Asia where a virulent strain of avian flu has already killed 50 people;
    - (c) the Commonwealth Government must make all due effort to ensure that Australia has the proper safeguards and measures in place, both onshore and offshore, to protect Australia against the impact of a possible flu pandemic;
    - (d) the Government has stated that a pandemic of avian flu could lead to millions of Australians contracting the disease, with 2.6 million people seeking medical attention, 58,000 hospitalisations and 13,000 deaths;
    - (e) relevant responsibilities for addressing a flu pandemic are scattered across a growing array of committees and bureaucracies at both the States and Federal level; and
    - (f) while current plans and strategies may be adequate, they are untested and under resourced and suffer from a lack of integration; and
  - (2) calls on the Howard Government to:
    - (a) make every effort to work co-operatively across jurisdictional lines and with the States and Territories;
    - (b) support our public hospitals and laboratories and the health care workforce to ensure that there is the capacity to plan for and manage a pandemic or other national medical emergency; and
    - (c) be more open and transparent about the measures that would be implemented for a pandemic and ensure that the public understand these. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 22 May 2006.*)

- 7 **SLAPP SUITS:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 October 2005—Mr Keenan*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Andren—That this House:
  - (1) notes the current situation in Australia and elsewhere of commercial enterprises using legal action to silence protesters;
  - (2) notes that in the United States these suits are known as 'Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation' or 'SLAPP' suits;
  - (3) notes that in many cases SLAPP suits have no real legal foundation, but their aim is to intimidate individual protesters into silence by the prospect of costly and time-consuming legal action;
  - (4) notes that common law action against protesters may take several different forms, including the torts of nuisance, unlawful interference in business, conspiracy to damage commercial interests and defamation, and that such torts are largely areas of State jurisdiction;
  - (5) notes that SLAPP suits could be discouraged if State Governments legislated to allow for the summary dismissal of unsoundly based SLAPP suits;
  - (6) notes that the insertion of an express right of freedom of speech in the Constitution, to impress upon courts that common law torts should be interpreted so as to ensure the protection of freedom of speech would also discourage unsound SLAPP suits;
  - (7) calls on State Governments, through the Standing Committee of Attorneys-General, to establish preliminary procedures which would allow unsoundly based SLAPP suits to be dismissed by a court at an early stage in proceedings;
  - (8) encourages the Attorney-General to place this matter on the agenda of the Standing Committee of Attorneys-General; and
  - (9) supports a referendum to amend the Constitution to include express recognition of the right of freedom of speech. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 22 May 2006.)
- 8 TELEMARKETING (PROTECTION OF PRIVACY RIGHTS OF RESIDENTIAL TELEPHONE SUBSCRIBERS) BILL 2005 (Ms A. E. Burke): Motion for second reading (from 31 October 2005). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 9 **CHARTER OF BUDGET HONESTY AMENDMENT BILL 2005** (*Mr Tanner*): Motion for second reading (from 31 October 2005). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 10 LAOS AND UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE: Resumption of debate (from 31 October 2005—Mr Laming, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Slipper—That this House:
  - (1) acknowledges that the Lao PDR suffered the heaviest bombing that the world has ever known and remains today the most heavily contaminated country in the world;
  - (2) views with concern that 30 years after the Indo-China war the effects of unexploded ordnance (UXO) are still a serious problem, two thirds of Laos is affected with ten out of eighteen provinces remaining severely contaminated;
  - (3) is alarmed that there has been a substantial increase in civilian UXO casualties, particularly children, because population growth is increasing pressure to farm more land;
  - (4) notes that while the world community is well aware of landmines, there is little international understanding of the problems of UXO; and
  - (5) urges the Australian Government to continue to increase financial support for clearance efforts. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 11 **HOMELESSNESS:** Resumption of debate (*from 31 October 2005*) on the motion of Mr B. P. O'Connor—That this House:
  - (1) notes:
    - (a) that in the last census, there were an estimated 100,000 homeless people in Australia; and
    - (b) the high social costs of homelessness; and
  - (2) recognises that:
    - (a) the reasons behind homelessness are complex and varied but that governments do have a role to play in ameliorating homelessness; and

- (b) the joint Commonwealth/State funded Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) is an example of a vital service provided to the homeless and to those at risk of homelessness; and
- (3) calls on the Federal Government to:
  - (a) promote awareness of the issue of homelessness among the public;
  - (b) develop strategies aimed at preventing homelessness;
  - (c) work co-operatively with other levels of government to reduce homelessness;
  - (d) increase funding for crisis accommodation and support; and
  - (e) set realistic targets for the reduction of homelessness. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 12 **EDUCATION OF REGIONAL AUSTRALIANS:** Resumption of debate (*from 31 October 2005—Mr Adams, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Wakelin—That this House:
  - (1) recognises that the Australian Government has made significant progress for regional Australians in further education;
  - (2) notes that:
    - (a) the first principle should be that all Australians are entitled to reasonable access to education including tertiary education;
    - (b) regional Australians should not be disadvantaged by the additional costs of access to education to be competent in the workforce;
    - (c) there are significant additional costs for rural people in obtaining access to further education institutions only available in the capital cities or major urban centres; and
    - (d) the educational outcomes of regional Australians demonstrate a significantly lower proportion with University degrees and completed post-graduate studies when compared to the national outcomes; and
  - (3) calls on the Australian Government:
    - (a) to recognise that about 65% of Australia's export income is derived from the regional areas of Australia:
    - (b) to recognise that the continual development of all skills will assist to maintain and expand this key economic sector;
    - (c) to recognise that the cost of achieving greater educational equity is minimal when compared to the results possible; and
    - (d) to further analyse equity in the education of regional Australians to achieve fairer outcomes for all Australians. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 13 **FUEL PRICES:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 November 2005—Ms Corcoran*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Byrne—That this House:
  - (1) notes the alarming and rapid increase in fuel prices in the south-eastern suburbs of Melbourne and across Australia:
  - (2) recognises the severe implications of exorbitant fuel prices for local businesses and family budgets;
  - (3) acknowledges residents' concerns about reported instances of possible price gouging practices within the petroleum refining and distribution industry; and
  - (4) asks the Treasurer to direct the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission to formally monitor prices under Part VIIA of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 14 **CLEMENCY FOR MR NGUYEN TUONG VAN:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 November 2005*) on the motion of Mrs Moylan—That this House:
  - (1) acknowledges the shared history and strong relationship between Australia and Singapore;
  - (2) strongly supports representations by the Prime Minister, the Hon. John Howard MP, to the Government of Singapore for clemency on behalf of Mr Nguyen Tuong Van, who was recently convicted and sentenced to death for drug trafficking by the Singapore Court;

- (3) supports the representation by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, the Hon. Alexander Downer MP, the Leader of the Opposition, the Hon. Kim Beazley MP, Mr Kevin Rudd MP, and Members and Senators of the Australian Parliament who have supported a plea for clemency as outlined above;
- (4) expresses profound regret that the Prime Minister of Singapore, HE Mr Lee Hsien Loong, and his Cabinet has rejected the pleas for clemency;
- (5) notes that although the Singapore Court has adhered to due process, there remains an option for the Prime Minister and Cabinet of Singapore to overturn the death sentence, replacing it with a prison sentence:
- (6) acknowledges the severe social impact that drug trafficking and drug use has on communities around the world and respects the strong stance by Singapore in its policies to combat this illegal trade and its worst effects;
- (7) re-affirms Australia's opposition to capital punishment;
- (8) believes that there are mitigating circumstances arising from this case that warrant consideration of clemency for Mr Nguyen;
- (9) respectfully calls on the Singapore Prime Minister and Cabinet to reconsider the plea by the Australian Government for clemency in the case of Mr Nguyen Tuong Van; and
- (10) asks the Singapore Government to overturn the death sentence imposed on Mr Nguyen and replace it with an appropriate prison term. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 15 **NATIONAL DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 November 2005*) on the motion of Mrs May—That this House:
  - (1) recognises that:
    - (a) Australia-wide, over a quarter of all drivers killed and seriously injured each year are young adult drivers;
    - (b) road traffic injuries are a public health issue and road traffic crashes can be prevented;
    - (c) in addition to the burden of personal suffering, the monetary cost of crashes is in the order of \$15 billion per annum; and
    - (d) during the 2004 election, the Australian Government committed to work with the States and Territories to introduce a national compulsory driver education scheme for all new provisional licence holders by 2007;
  - (2) calls on the Australian Government to deliver a National Education Program, that is both compulsory and intensive, through our schools involving a minimum of 120 hours of practical driver experience and nationally recognized credentials to be delivered as a Certificate II course; and
  - (3) on a bipartisan level provides young adults with the skills and knowledge necessary to stay safe on Australian roads. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 16 **HUMAN RIGHTS IN ZIMBABWE:** Resumption of debate (from 28 November 2005—Ms Roxon, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Baird—That this House:
  - (1) notes with concern the:
    - (a) ongoing human rights abuses in Zimbabwe;
    - (b) lack of accountable government and the failure to hold free and fair elections;
    - (c) ongoing suppression of opposition political parties and human rights activists; and
    - (d) implementation of Operation Murambatsvina (Clean Out the Trash) which has led to the internal displacement and famine; and
  - (2) calls on the Zimbabwean Government to:
    - (a) uphold the rule of law;
    - (b) ensure that its citizens human rights are respected;
    - (c) establish conditions and provide the means for citizens who have been internally displaced under Operation Murambatsvina to return voluntarily and with dignity to their homes or places of residence or to resettle voluntarily in another part of the country; and
  - (d) respect the rights of victims of Operation Murambatsvina, including access to justice and appropriate reparations, including restitution, rehabilitation and compensation. (*Order of the day will be removed*

- from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 17 TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (COLLECTIVE BARGAINING FOR SMALL BUSINESS) BILL 2005 (Mr Fitzgibbon): Second reading—resumption of debate (from 28 November 2005). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 18 **RENEWABLE TIDAL, WIND AND SOLAR RESOURCES:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 November 2005*) on the motion of Mr Tuckey—That the Government take an international lead in the development of hydrogen created from Australia's renewable tidal wind and solar resources to replace costly hydrocarbon consumption in commercial and private transport. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 19 **PETROL PRICES:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 November 2005*) on the motion of Mr Bowen—That this House:
  - (1) notes that petrol prices in Australia remain at historically high levels, with the average price of petrol in Sydney at \$1.19 a litre with prices in rural and regional areas being even higher;
  - (2) particularly recognises the implications of exorbitant fuel prices for small businesses and family budgets; and
  - (3) calls on the Government to direct the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission to formally monitor prices under Part VIIA of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006*.)
- 20 **CRIMES ACT AMENDMENT (INCITEMENT TO VIOLENCE) BILL 2005** (*Ms Roxon*): Motion for second reading (from 5 December 2005). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 21 **PETROL PRICES:** Resumption of debate (*from 5 December 2005—Mr Johnson*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mrs Elliot—That this House:
  - (1) notes that petrol prices in regional areas have dramatically increased and are averaging well over \$1.20 per litre;
  - (2) recognises that these prices are becoming prohibitive for families and small businesses and are adversely impacting on tourism an industry which many regional areas rely on; and
  - (3) calls on the Government to direct the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission to formally monitor prices under Part VIIA of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006*.)
- 22 **HEALTH:** Resumption of debate (*from 5 December 2005—Ms Hall*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mrs May—That this House:
  - (1) recognises that:
    - (a) good health is the single most important factor necessary for individuals to lead a happy and successful life;
    - (b) what individuals think, eat and the amount of activity they undertake are important determinants of health and wellbeing;
    - (c) Australians have a high incidence of preventable diseases that are influenced by lifestyle and behaviour including cardiovascular diseases, cholesterol, obesity and diabetes;
    - (d) for many Australians, health is simply access to medical goods and services; and
    - (e) once illness has taken hold, because of the mind/body connection, many do not have the mindset to better improve their health until they get a 'scare' which often comes too late; and
  - (2) calls on the Australian Government to:
    - (a) educate youngsters in schools about health and ways of preventing illness;
    - (b) educate couples before starting a family on healthy lifestyles for children;
    - (c) refocus the training of our doctors from ill health to good health with an emphasis on preventative care; and
    - (d) implement a National Health Strategy with a strong focus on preventative health. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

- 23 **ADF RWANDAN SERVICE:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 February 2006—Mr Scott*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Griffin—That this House:
  - (1) recognises that the atrocities that occurred in Rwanda between 1994 and 1995 were some of the most horrific and appalling crimes seen in recent history;
  - (2) notes that between April and July 1994 up to one million Tutsi and moderate Hutus were killed at the hands of the militia;
  - (3) notes that in response, Australia deployed 657 ADF members to Rwanda in 1994 and 1995 as part of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Rwanda (UNAMIR);
  - (4) notes that the Australian contingent was largely a medical team whose key role was to provide medical care and health support for UNAMIR and, where possible, those injured by the massacres;
  - (5) acknowledges that Australian troops came under direct fire in and around refugee camps and faced the daily threat presented by landmines and other explosive devices placed to maim or kill Australian soldiers;
  - (6) acknowledges that these peacekeepers experienced the most horrible events such as the massacre of up to 8,000 men women and children at the Kibeho refugee camp in April 1995;
  - (7) notes with concern that many of these troops are now suffering serious mental and physical disabilities as the result of their service;
  - (8) notes that despite the severe trauma and the danger faced by Australian Peacekeepers in Rwanda, their service is still not treated as warlike service under the Veterans' Entitlement Act; and
  - (9) calls on the Government to immediately reclassify this service from 'hazardous' to 'warlike' in recognition of the risk faced by these troops and the magnificent contribution they made to the protection of Rwandan citizens. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 24 **NATIONAL YEAR OF COMMUNITY:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 February 2006—Mr L. D. T. Ferguson*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That this House:
  - (1) recognises and supports the United Nations Association of Australia (NSW Division) for its resolution to declare 2006 the 'National Year of Community';
  - (2) acknowledges the importance of 'community' to the social fabric of Australian society; and
  - (3) notes the role of community in developing young Australians. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 25 YOUNGER PEOPLE IN NURSING HOMES: Resumption of debate (*from 13 February 2006—Mrs Hull, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Tanner—That this House:
  - (1) notes that approximately 1,000 Australians under the age of 50 are living in nursing homes because they have a severe disability such as acquired brain injury;
  - (2) recognises that in most cases such accommodation is not appropriate, and that greater choice is needed for these younger people;
  - (3) acknowledges that as both federal and state governments are deeply involved in the aged care sector, both levels of government have a role to play in addressing this problem;
  - (4) notes that the Aged Care Innovations Pool has provided a small start to addressing the problem; and
  - (5) calls on federal and state governments to use the Council of Australian Governments process, and the current Senate Community Affairs Reference Committee Inquiry, as a basis for a combined effort to deal with this serious problem. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 26 **INTER-COUNTRY ADOPTION:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 February 2006*) on the motion of Mrs B. K. Bishop—That this House:
  - recognises that Australia's rates of inter-country adoption are significantly lower than leading western nations;
  - (2) notes that the Commonwealth should take the primary role in managing Australia's external relations in inter-country adoptions;
  - (3) recognises the role that non-government organisations should have in managing inter-country adoptions in Australia; and

- (4) notes that parents of children adopted from overseas have less access to benefits and entitlements than the rest of the community. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 27 **GENDER EQUALITY:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 February 2006*) on the motion of Mr Johnson—That this House:
  - (1) recognises that:
    - (a) a report from the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) *State of World Population 2005-the Promise of Equality: Gender Equity, Reproductive Health and Millennium Development Goals* was released on 12 October and that the theme of the report is that gender equality reduces poverty, and saves and improves lives;
    - (b) a major platform for achieving sustainable development is gender equality and the empowerment of women; and
    - (c) gender inequities in all countries limit the economic and social participation of women in the building of healthy and dynamic nations;
  - (2) encourages:
    - (a) the UNFPA to continue to work towards achieving gender equality; and
    - (b) the Government to continue to support the Millennium Development Goals because they have led to significant improvements in women's health, safety and economic participation and increased their share in the benefits of strengthened economic growth; and
  - (3) recognises that these improvements have been achieved through culturally and religiously appropriate activities and has resulted in a reduction in the incidence of fistula, maternal and child mortality. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 28 **PACIFIC HIGHWAY:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 February 2006*) on the motion of Mr Hartsuyker—That this House:
  - (1) notes:
    - (a) that the Pacific Highway is a State road designed, built, owned, and maintained by the New South Wales State Government;
    - (b) that there have been unacceptable delays and substantial cost over-runs in the upgrade of the Pacific Highway to dual carriageway standard from Hexham to the Queensland border;
    - (c) notwithstanding that the Pacific Highway is a state road, the Australian Government has made a substantial commitment to the upgrade under the Pacific Highway Reconstruction Program Agreement and Auslink;
    - (d) that there have been unacceptable delays to the commencement of work on by-passing population centres along the highway;
    - (e) tenders have been received for the construction of the Bonville Deviation and the State Minister for Roads, Mr Tripodi, plans to delay commencement of works until mid 2006; and
    - (f) the public consultation process has failed to achieve route outcomes which are acceptable to communities along the highway; and
  - (2) calls on the New South Wales Labor Government to:
    - (a) exercise more stringent cost and project management control over the highway upgrade; and
    - (b) accelerate progress on this upgrade with a view to completing a dual carriageway between Hexham and the Queensland border by 2016. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 29 **CHILD CARE:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 February 2006*) on the motion of Ms Plibersek—That this House:
  - (1) notes:
    - (a) the spiralling cost of child care in many parts of Australia;
    - (b) that a large number of families cannot either find or afford high quality, local child care;
    - (c) the low labour force participation rates of women with dependant children in Australia, relative to many other OECD nations; and

- (d) that families cannot claim the child care tax offset until after the end of the financial year following the year when child care fees had been paid, even though the Government has all the details necessary to process the offset earlier; and
- (2) calls on the Government to:
  - (a) develop policies to create more places for children in high quality care in areas where more places are needed;
  - (b) recognise that planning is needed in the long day care market to correct market failures, and make it possible for parents with young children to participate in the workforce; and
  - (c) implement Labor's proposals to allow families to benefit from the child care tax offset at least a year earlier than the Government's scheme allows. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 30 **INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 February 2006*) on the motion of Mrs Irwin—That this House:
  - (1) notes that the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU):
    - (a) is the focal point for global parliamentary dialogue and, as the primary vehicle for strengthening parliaments world-wide, works globally for the establishment of representative democracy, providing an unparalleled parliamentary dimension to international cooperation;
    - (b) at its Assemblies, initiates debates on issues of international interest and concern in order to raise awareness and action by parliaments and parliamentarians;
    - defends and promotes human rights, particularly through the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians;
    - (d) stresses the representation of both genders within the ranks of parliamentarians, facilitating the participation of women parliamentarians in its forums;
    - (e) encourages good governance and democratic capacity building through its programs and work with regional inter-parliamentary organisations, international inter-governmental and nongovernment organisations; and
    - (f) supports the efforts of the United Nations (at which it has observer status), works in close cooperation with the UN and is seeking a closer strategic partnership with the UN so as to promote more substantive interaction and coordination between the IPU and the UN;
  - (2) welcomes recent reforms of the IPU that were strongly supported by Australian delegations, and which have resulted in improved reporting mechanisms, including detailed and comprehensive financial statements; and
  - (3) commends past and present Australian delegations for their contribution to the IPU, as reflected in the leading role taken in the work of standing committees, drafting committees, geopolitical groups and the meeting of women parliamentarians. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 31 **ALCOHOL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION FOUNDATION:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 February 2006*) on the motion of Mr Quick—That this House:
  - (1) acknowledges the fact that alcohol misuse remains the number one health and social issue confronting the Australian community;
  - (2) expresses its appreciation to the Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Foundation for its outstanding efforts to date in raising public awareness of the dangers of alcohol and licit substance misuse and the importance of responsible consumption of alcohol;
  - (3) notes the effectiveness of the grants program administered by the Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Foundation over the past four years;
  - (4) notes in particular the work of the Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Foundation in addressing the scourge of inhalant abuse among young indigenous Australians; and
  - (5) calls on the Government to provide sufficient funding to the Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Foundation's Public Fund in the 2006-2007 Budget to enable the Foundation to continue its work in addressing the causes of, and harms arising from, alcohol and licit substance misuse. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)

- 32 AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT AND AVIATION NOISE OMBUDSMAN BILL 2006 (Mr Georganas): Second reading (from 27 March 2006). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 33 **ARTIST'S RESALE RIGHTS BILL 2006** (*Mr McMullan*): Second reading (*from 27 March 2006*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006*.)
- 34 PROTECTION OF THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL FLAG (DESECRATION OF THE FLAG) BILL 2006 (Mrs B. K. Bishop): Second reading (from 27 March 2006). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 35 **ACCOMMODATION AND CARE FOR THE DISABLED:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 March 2006*) on the motion of Mrs Hull—That this House:
  - (1) note that:
    - (a) ageing parents and carers of disabled children face a crisis of lack of accommodation options for disabled children;
    - (b) any ageing parents and carers of disabled children are in need of aged care accommodation for themselves;
    - (c) due to limited available accommodation options for disabled people, many aged carers of disabled people are significantly disadvantaged;
    - (d) there is an urgent need to assist ageing parents and carers of disabled children to access quality accommodation and care for disabled people;
    - (e) in October 2005 the Prime Minister announced a \$200 million package to assist parents to establish private trusts for the future care of their disabled children; and
    - (f) there is an expert advisory group established to advise on the implementation of the package; and
  - (2) call on:
    - (a) the Minister to instruct the advisory group to consult widely on the merits of establishing a new financial and insurance product that would assist all parents of disabled children to plan for their future care; and
    - (b) both the State and Federal Governments to work together to urgently resolve this accommodation and care crisis. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.*)
- 36 **FARMERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 March 2006*) on the motion of Mr Adams—That this House:
  - (1) congratulate the farmers of Tasmania on their bid to bring the plight of all farmers to the attention of the community and the Premier of Tasmania for supporting them;
  - (2) condemn the Federal Government for:
    - (a) the lack of labelling laws to allow the community to make their own decisions on the purchase of fresh food;
    - (b) the fact that farmers in Tasmania and the rest of Australia are suffering from the unlevel playing field that exists in the import and export of fresh foods;
    - (c) the fact the Federal Government is not achieving enough gains for farmers in their negotiations on free trade agreements with many countries, including the US and China; and
    - (d) the lack of leverage for farmers trying to negotiate fair and just contracting rates for their produce; and
  - (3) call on the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries to introduce legislation to ensure that labelling of farm products is unambiguous and works for the benefit of all Australian primary producers. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 37 **INDONESIA:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 March 2006*) on the motion of Mr Fawcett—That this House:
  - (1) express its deep sorrow and its condolences to the Government of the Republic of Indonesia and to the families who have been directly affected by the killings of the three Indonesian girls that occurred last Saturday, 29 October 2005, in Poso, Central Sulawesi, Indonesia;

- (2) strongly condemns the beheadings of the three Christian girls, students in Poso, which it considers as an act of brutality, terror, and a serious abuse of human rights, in that the fundamental human rights are the rights to life and religious freedom, which are guaranteed under the Indonesian Constitution;
- (3) welcomes steps by the Government of Indonesia to investigate the incident and its efforts to stop the climate of violence and to bring those responsible for this act of terror to justice; and
- (4) conveys to the Government and people of Indonesia that the Australian Government remains committed to peace and reconciliation in Indonesia, and to enhancing mutual understanding and cooperation among peoples of Indonesia and Australia. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)
- 38 AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE MEDAL: Resumption of debate (from 27 March 2006) on the motion of Mr Windsor—That this House resolves to accept the principle that the primary qualifying criteria for the Australian Defence Medal specify two years effective service, instead of six years, in line with the recommendation of the Returned and Services League of Australia. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 22 May 2006.)

**COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS** (standing orders 34, 39 and 40): Presentation and consideration of committee and delegation reports has precedence each Monday.

**PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS** (standing orders 34 and 35) has precedence from the conclusion of consideration of committee and delegation reports, being interrupted at 1.45 p.m. and then continuing for 1 hour after the presentation of petitions each Monday.

The **SELECTION COMMITTEE** is responsible for determining the order of precedence and allotting time for debate on consideration of committee and delegation reports and private Members' business. Any private Members' business not called on, or consideration of private Members' business or committee and delegation reports which has been interrupted and not re-accorded priority by the Selection Committee on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays, shall be removed from the Notice Paper (standing order 42).

## **BUSINESS OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, 10 May 2006

The Main Committee meets at 9.30 a.m.

## **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

## Orders of the day

- 1 **PROTECTION OF THE SEA (POWERS OF INTERVENTION) AMENDMENT BILL 2006** (Minister for Transport and Regional Services): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Mr Murphy).
- 2 AGE DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT BILL 2006 (Attorney-General): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2006—Ms Roxon).
- 3 **DEFENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY AMENDMENT BILL 2006** (Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 30 March 2006—Mr G. M. O'Connor).
- 4 **CYCLONE LARRY:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 March 2006*) on the motion of Mr Ruddock—That this House acknowledge the terrible impact that Cyclone Larry has had on the residents of far north Queensland and recognise the efforts and contributions of those communities, and of governments, to restore normal life to the region.

## COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS

## Orders of the day

- 1 PROCEDURE COMMITTEE—REPORT—MAINTENANCE OF THE STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS—FIRST REPORT: DEBATE ON THE ELECTION OF SPEAKER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 27 March 2006) on the motion of Mr Melham—That the House take note of the report.
- 2 COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—DIGITAL TELEVISION: WHO'S BUYING IT?—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 13 February 2006—Mr Neville) on the motion of Jackie Kelly—That the House take note of the report.
- 3 FAMILY AND HUMAN SERVICES—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—OVERSEAS ADOPTION IN AUSTRALIA—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (*from 8 December 2005—Mrs May*) on the motion of Mrs B. K. Bishop—That the House take note of the report.
- 4 PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—PROCEDURES RELATING TO HOUSE COMMITTEES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 8 December 2005—Mr Baird) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report.
- 5 PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—A HISTORY OF THE PROCEDURE COMMITTEE ON ITS 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (*from 7 December 2005—Mr Neville*) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report.
- 6 AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—TAKING CONTROL: A NATIONAL APPROACH TO PEST ANIMALS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 December 2005—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mr Schultz—That the House take note of the report.
- 7 ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—SUSTAINABLE CITIES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 1 December 2005—Mr Baldwin) on the motion of Dr Washer—That the House take note of the report.
- 8 ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REVIEW OF THE RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA ANNUAL REPORT 2004 (FIRST REPORT)—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 22 June 2005—Mr Hartsuyker) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House take note of the report.
- 9 EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—MAKING IT WORK—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:

- Resumption of debate (from 12 October 2005—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mr Barresi—That the House take note of the report.
- 10 LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE EXPOSURE DRAFT OF THE FAMILY LAW AMENDMENT (SHARED PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY) BILL 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 15 September 2005—Mr Baldwin) on the motion of Mr Slipper—That the House take note of the report.
- 11 EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—WORKING FOR AUSTRALIA'S FUTURE: INCREASING PARTICIPATION IN THE WORKFORCE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 22 June 2005—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mr Barresi—That the House take note of the report.
- 12 HEALTH AND AGEING—STANDING COMMITTEE—FUTURE AGEING: REPORT ON A DRAFT REPORT OF THE 40<sup>TH</sup> PARLIAMENT: INQUIRY INTO LONG-TERM STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS THE AGEING OF THE AUSTRALIAN POPULATION OVER THE NEXT 40 YEARS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 17 March 2005—Jackie Kelly) on the motion of Mr Somlyay—That the House take note of the report.

## **QUESTIONS IN WRITING**

On the first sitting day of each fortnight, a complete Notice Paper is published containing all unanswered questions. On subsequent days, only new questions for the sitting are included in the Notice Paper. The full text of all unanswered questions is available at:

www.aph.gov.au/house/info/notpaper/qons.pdf.

## Questions unanswered

Nos 8, 48, 51-53, 256, 299, 345, 507, 538, 586, 644, 782, 964, 971, 1103, 1114, 1139, 1140, 1162, 1166, 1171, 1203, 1253, 1272, 1297, 1325, 1416, 1446, 1451, 1454, 1492, 1507, 1598, 1602, 1673, 1714, 1737, 1768, 1771, 1773, 1776-1779, 1783, 1788, 1790, 1802, 1884, 1924, 1958-1976, 2010, 2054, 2116, 2181, 2215, 2225, 2230, 2248-2252, 2254-2260, 2262-2266, 2274, 2302-2318, 2320, 2331, 2332, 2354, 2374, 2377, 2394, 2399, 2400, 2403, 2421, 2447, 2457, 2492, 2493, 2495, 2496, 2498-2509, 2511, 2512, 2515-2533, 2545, 2548, 2549, 2551, 2569, 2575, 2579, 2582, 2587, 2588, 2594, 2605, 2609, 2611, 2622, 2629-2632, 2645, 2653, 2656, 2665, 2667, 2670, 2672-2674, 2676, 2691-2693, 2695, 2697, 2699, 2702, 2704-2709, 2711, 2715, 2721, 2724, 2727, 2733-2735, 2737-2739, 2741, 2742, 2745, 2755, 2757, 2781, 2792, 2793, 2795-2798, 2820, 2823, 2831, 2890, 2892, 2895, 2900, 2904-2906, 2908, 2910, 2912, 2914-2922, 2927-2930, 2932, 2940, 2942, 2943, 2950, 2951, 2955-2957, 2960, 2961, 2986, 2988, 2990, 2992-2996, 2998-3000, 3005, 3007-3014, 3016, 3021, 3047, 3053, 3054, 3059, 3061, 3063, 3064, 3066, 3069, 3070, 3072, 3074-3076, 3078, 3079, 3104-3111, 3113-3118, 3120, 3121, 3125-3127, 3137, 3139-3159, 3162, 3164, 3165, 3172-3174, 3176, 3178-3183, 3185, 3187-3189, 3192, 3194, 3195, 3198-3217, 3219, 3221-3243, 3245-3331, 3333-3350, 3352-3395, 3397-3403, 3405-3479.

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## \*3480 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) Is she aware of the difficulties being encountered in our education system by recently arrived students from Africa.
- (2) What Commonwealth Government programs are in place to assist these students.
- (3) What funding and support is the Federal Government providing specifically to address the difficulties being encountered by recently arrived students from Africa.
- (4) Is the Government considering new proposals to assist these students; if so, when will they be announced.

## \*3481 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Is he aware of the case of Yacoub Hanna Shamoun, who has been imprisoned in Syria for 21 years for failure to comply with Syrian national service requirements, with no formal charge having been laid, and no access to legal representation.
- (2) Has he made representations to the Syrian Government seeking the release of Mr Shamoun; if not, will he consider doing so.

## \*3482 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Is he aware of the October 2005 Report by the UNHCR titled 'Background Information on the Situation of Non-Muslim Religious Minorities in Iraq'.
- (2) Does he accept the findings of the UNHCR that (a) "the situation of members of non-Muslim religious communities has been noticeably aggravated since the invasion of Coalition forces and the consequent fall of the former regime in March/April 2003" and (b) "there are reports from almost all parts of the country about assaults and attacks against Christian individuals and facilities".
- (3) Is he making representations on the safety of Assyrian Christians in Iraq; if so, what are the details.

## \*3483 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs—

(1) Is the Minister aware of the October 2005 Report by the UNHCR titled 'Background Information on the Situation of Non-Muslim Religious Minorities in Iraq' which found that "the situation of members of non-Muslim religious communities has been noticeably aggravated since the invasion of Coalition forces and the consequent fall of the former regime in March/April 2003" and "there are

- reports from almost all parts of the country about assaults and attacks against Christian individuals and facilities".
- (2) How many refugee applications from Assyrians and other Christians fleeing Iraq have been rejected by the Australian Government since 2003.
- (3) Will the Minister review each of these applications in light of the UNHCR Report.
- \*3484 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Trade—When will the Government ban live animal exports.
- \*3485 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—
  - (1) Did he write to the animal advocacy group, Animals Australia, on 9 August 2005 and say, inter alia, that the Egyptian abattoir, Bassatin, is a good example where Australia's involvement in the live trade industry has allowed it to influence change and improve animal welfare conditions in the Middle East.
  - (2) Has the Government provided funding and technical assistance to upgrade facilities and procedures at Bassatin abattoir; if not, why not; if so, what are the details.
  - (3) What is the Government's response to the report by Animals Australia titled 'Egypt Investigation Report' which found animal welfare practices at Bassatin abbattoir to be in breach of World Animal Health Authority guidelines.
  - (4) Can he confirm reports that the Government is currently considering lifting the suspension of live trade to Egypt; if so, what evidence does the Government have that animal welfare practices in Egypt now meet humane standards.
  - (5) Can he ensure that no Australian animals exported to the Middle East will be subjected to acts of cruelty or acts in breach of World Animal Health Authority guidelines; if not, why not.
  - (6) Has the Government taken steps to promote markets for processed meat products rather than live sheep and cattle; if not, why not; if so, what are the details.

## \*3486 MR DANBY: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Is he aware of the article in the *New York Times* on 5 April 2006 which reported that Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch have claimed that Syria has recently launched a crackdown on opposition to the Assad regime and at least 30 dissidents and other people have been arrested and detained without charge.
- (2) What steps has he taken to convey Australia's condemnation of this renewed repression in Syria to the Syrian authorities.
- (3) Can he report on the current progress of investigations into the responsibility of the Syrian regime for the assassination of former Lebanese Prime Minister Rafik Hariri.
- (4) What is Australia's role in ensuring that the Syrian regime co-operates with this investigation and that those responsible for Mr Hariri's murder are brought to justice.
- (5) How many Syrian diplomats are in Australia and what is the role of each Syrian diplomat.
- (6) Since the conclusion of the Iraq War in 2003, what statements has he made about Syria's role in the Middle East.
- (7) Does he share the concerns of the United States of America about Syria's (a) support for the insurgency in Iraq, (b) role in Lebanon, including its involvement in the assassination of Mr Hariri, and (c) support for groups defined by the Australian Government as terrorist organisations and which are headquartered in Damascus.

#### \*3487 MR DANBY: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Has he seen the report by Dr Shizong Chen, a former political prisoner in China now resident in Sweden, about the Sujiatun prison camp in Liaoning Province which Dr Chen described as "as infamous as Auschwitz and Dachau" and where he alleged more than 6,000 political and religious dissidents have been killed and their body parts harvested, in some cases (such as the removal of corneas), while the victims were still alive.
- (2) What information does he have about the Chinese practice of harvesting organs from executed people or from people sentenced to labour camps and what steps has he taken to inform himself about this issue.
- (3) Has this issue been raised at the Australia-China Human Rights Dialogue; if not, will he do so at the next meeting.
- (4) Has he taken other steps to raise this issue with the Chinese authorities; if so, what are the details; if not, will he do so.

- (5) Can he give an assurance that, in the event of a free trade agreement being concluded between Australia and the People's Republic of China, there will be no possibility that organs harvested by the Chinese authorities from executed persons or political prisoners will be imported into Australia.
- \*3488 **MR GEORGANAS:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Will the Minister rule out the Government introducing changes to legislation that will allow the ABC to broadcast advertising.
  - (2) Will the Minister publicly release the report it commissioned from KPMG in late 2005 concerning efficiency and funding of the ABC; if so, when; if not, why not.
  - (3) For each financial year since 1996-1997, what sum has the Government allocated to the ABC.
  - (4) Is the Minister able to say how funding for the ABC compares to the public funding that public broadcasters in other OECD countries receive.

## \*3489 MR GIBBONS: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) In respect of the death on 4 February 2006 of Mr Richard Gribble, a young Australian who was working in China, is he able to confirm that Mr Gribble was refused treatment at the hospital he was taken to in Fouzhou, China, because he could not pay for the required medical treatment.
- (2) Can he confirm that an attempt was made to contact the Australian Embassy in China, that there was no answer, and the call was automatically transferred to Canberra.
- (3) Will he provide details of the measures the Australian Government took to assist Mr Gribble.
- (4) Is he satisfied that everything Australian officials could have done to assist Mr Gribble was done; if so, will he explain why; if not, will an investigation be made.
- (5) What policy and procedures are in place to prevent this from occurring to Australians working overseas in the future.

#### \*3490 MR GIBBONS: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) In respect of the announcement that the Defence Imagery and Geospatial Organisation (DIGO) facility in Bendigo will be relocated to the site in Atlas Road, Bendigo, when will DIGO's current site at Fortuna Villa in Bendigo be disposed of.
- (2) Will the Fortuna site be cleared of all hazardous materials including chemicals, compounds and structures, prior to disposal.
- (3) Will the Fortuna property be offered for sale by tender, auction or on an open market basis.

## \*3491 MR GIBBONS: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—

- (1) Can he confirm that the application by the Central Goldfields Shire Council for funding under the Water Smart Australia Program was unsuccessful.
- (2) Can he confirm that the submission adhered strictly to the criteria; if so, will he explain why the application was unsuccessful.
- (3) Will further grants be available at a later date; if so, when.
- (4) Is he able to assure the Central Goldfields Shire Council that if it applies for funding in future that its application will be considered favourably.
- \*3492 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—In respect of the opening by the Australian Federal Police of a branch in Dhaka to assist the Government of Bangladesh in its fight against terrorism, will the Australian Government also urge and assist the Government of Bangladesh to honour a major provision of the Chittagong Hill Tracts Accord by establishing an indigenous police force in the Chittagong Hill Tracts.

## \*3493 MR RUDD: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Has he or his department recently revised or re-considered the timeframe for the sale of the Bulimba Army Barracks.
- (2) What is the expected timeframe for the sale of Bulimba Army Barracks.

## \*3494 MR RUDD: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) What sum did AirServices Australia receive in (a) 2001-2002, (b) 2002-2003, (c) 2003-2004, (d) 2004-2005, and (e) 2005-2006 from (i) the Commonwealth budget and (ii) fees for services to industry.
- (2) When will budget funding for AirServices Australia next be reviewed.
- (3) When was the decision made to redirect all aircraft noise complaints to Sydney.

- (4) Will he explain the basis on which the decision to redirect all aircraft noise complaints to Sydney was made and what community consultation took place prior to this decision being made.
- \*3495 **MR TANNER:** To ask the Treasurer—How many Taxpayers were liable to pay the Medicare levy surcharge or contribute to private health insurance, both as families and as single taxpayers, in (a) 1997-1998, (b) 1998-1999, (c) 1999-2000, (d) 2000-2001, (e) 2001-2002, (f) 2002-2003, (g) 2003-2004, and (h) 2004-2005.

#### I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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The Speaker

Mr Hawker

The Deputy Speaker

Mr Causley

The Second Deputy Speaker

Mr Jenkins

## **Speaker's Panel Members**

Mr Adams, Mr Barresi, Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Hatton, Mr Lindsay, Mr McMullan, Mr Quick, Mr Scott, Mr Somlyay, Mr Wilkie.

## **COMMITTEES**

Unless otherwise shown, appointed for life of 41st Parliament

## **Standing**

Pursuant to standing orders

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AFFAIRS: Mr Wakelin (*Chair*), Dr Lawrence (*Deputy Chair*), Ms A. L. Ellis, Mr Garrett, Mr Laming, Mr Slipper, Mr Snowdon, Dr Southcott, Mr Tuckey, Mrs D. S. Vale.

Current inquiry:

Indigenous employment.

AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY: Mr Schultz (*Chair*), Mr Adams (*Deputy Chair*), Mr M. J. Ferguson, Mr M. D. Ferguson, Mr Forrest, Mr Lindsay, Mr G. M. O'Connor, Mr Secker, Mr Tuckey Mr Windsor.

Current inquiry:

Rural skills training and research.

COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS: Jackie Kelly (*Chair*), Ms Owens (*Deputy Chair*), Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Garrett, Mr Griffin, Mr Hayes, Mr Johnson, Mr Keenan, Dr Laming, Mr Ticehurst.

Current inquiry:

Community broadcasting in Australia.

**ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION:** Mr Baird (*Chair*), Mr Emerson (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Ciobo, Mr Fitzgibbon, Mr Keenan, Ms Grierson, Mr McArthur, Mr Secker, Mr Somlyay, Mr Tanner.

Current inquiries:

Improving the superannuation savings of people under 40 years of age.

Review of the Reserve Bank of Australia Annual Report 2005.

**EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING:** Mr Hartsuyker (*Chair*), Mr Sawford (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Bartlett, Ms Bird, Ms Corcoran, Mr Fawcett, Mr M. D. Ferguson, Mr Henry, Ms Livermore, Mrs Markus.

Current inquiry:

Teacher education.

**EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION:** Mr Barresi (*Chair*), Mr B. P. O'Connor (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Baker, Ms Hall, Mr Hayes, Mr Henry, Mrs May, Mr Price, Mr Randall, Mr Vasta.

Current inquiry:

Employment in the automotive component manufacturing sector.

**ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE:** Dr Washer (*Chair*), Ms George (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Broadbent, Mr Entsch, Ms Hoare, Mr Jenkins, Mr Kerr, Mr McArthur, Mr Ticehurst, Mr Wood.

Current inquiry:

Sustainability charter.

**FAMILY AND HUMAN SERVICES:** Mrs B. K. Bishop (*Chair*), Mrs Irwin (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Cadman, Ms K. M. Ellis, Mrs Elson, Mr Fawcett, Ms George, Mrs Markus, Mr Quick, Mr Ticehurst.

Current inquiries:

Balancing work and family responsibilities.

The impact of illicit drug use on families.

**HEALTH AND AGEING:** Mr Somlyay (*Chair*), Ms Hall (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Cadman, Mrs Elliot, Mrs Elson, Mr Entsch, Mr Georganas, Mr Johnson, Ms King, Mr Vasta.

Current inquiry:

Health Funding.

HOUSE: The Speaker, Mr Broadbent, Ms Hall, Mr Price, Mr Randall, Mr Sawford, Mr Somlyay.

**INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES:** Mr Prosser (*Chair*), Mr Hatton (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Adams, Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Cadman, Mr M. J. Ferguson, Mr Haase, Mr Katter, Jackie Kelly, Mr Tollner.

Current inquiry:

Developing Australia's non-fossil fuel energy industry.

**LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS:** Mr Slipper (*Chair*), Mr Murphy (*Deputy Chair*), Mr M. D. Ferguson, Mrs Hull, Mr Kerr, Mr Melham, Ms Panopoulos, Ms Roxon, Mr Secker, Mr Tollner.

Current inquiries:

Harmonisation of legal systems.

Federal implications of statehood for the Northern Territory.

Review of technological protection measures exceptions.

LIBRARY: The Speaker, Mr Adams, Mr Broadbent, Mr Georgiou, Mr Hatton, Mrs Hull, Mr B. P. O'Connor.

**MEMBERS' INTERESTS:** Mr Ciobo (*Chair*), Mr Jenkins (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Byrne, Mr Neville, Mr Quick, Mr Secker, Mr C. P. Thompson.

**PRIVILEGES:** Mr C. P. Thompson (*Chair*), Ms A. E. Burke (*Deputy Chair*), Mrs Draper, Mrs Gash, Mr Hartsuyker, Mr Melham, Mr McMullan, Ms Plibersek (nominee of the Deputy Leader of the Opposition), Mr Price, Mr Randall, Mr Somlyay (nominee of the Leader of the House).

Current inquiry:

Allegation of documents fraudulently and inaccurately written and issued in a Member's name.

**PROCEDURE:** Mrs May (*Chair*), Mr Melham (*Deputy Chair*), Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mrs Draper, Mr Hartsuyker, Ms Hoare, Mr Price.

Current inquiry:

Maintenance of the standing and sessional orders.

**PUBLICATIONS:** Mrs Draper (*Chair*), Mr Adams (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Baker, Ms Corcoran, Mr Hayes, Mrs Hull, Mr Johnson.

Current inquiry:

Distribution of the Parliamentary Papers Series.

SCIENCE AND INNOVATION: Mr Georgiou (*Chair*), Mr Quick (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Hayes, Mr Jenkins, Dr Jensen, Jackie Kelly, Mr Price, Mr Tollner, Mrs D. S. Vale, Dr Washer.

Current inquiry:

Pathways to innovation.

**SELECTION:** Mr Causley (*Chair*), Mr Barresi, Mr Bartlett, Mr Danby, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Ms Hall, Mr McArthur, Mr Neville, Mr Price, Mr Wilkie.

**TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES:** Mr Neville (*Chair*), Mr Gibbons (*Deputy Chair*), Ms Bird, Mr Haase, Ms Hall, Dr Jensen, Mr McArthur, Mr Richardson, Mr Ripoll, Mr Schultz.

Current inquiry:

The integration of regional rail and road freight transport and their interface with ports.

#### **Joint Statutory**

AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION: Senator Ian Macdonald(*Chair*), Mr Kerr (*Deputy Chair*), Mrs Gash, Mr Hayes, Mr Richardson, Mr Wood, Senator Ferris, Senator Ludwig, , Senator Polley.

**BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS:** The Speaker, The President, Mr Bartlett, Mr Cadman, Mr Lindsay, Mr Murphy, Ms Vamvakinou, Senator Faulkner, Senator Ferris.

**CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES:** Senator Chapman (*Chair*), Ms A. E. Burke (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Baker, Mr Bartlett, Mr Bowen, Mr McArthur, Senator Brandis, Senator Murray, Senator Sherry, Senator Wong.

Current inquiry:

Corporate responsibility.

**INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY:** Mr Jull (*Chair*), Mr Byrne, Mr Ciobo, Mr Kerr, Mr McArthur, Senator Faulkner, Senator Ferguson, Senator Ray.

Current inquiries:

Review of Administration and Expenditure No. 4 - Recruitment and Training.

Review of the listing of the Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK) as a terrorist organisation.

**PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT:** Mr A. D. H. Smith (*Chair*), Ms Grierson (*Deputy Chair*), Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Broadbent, Mr Emerson, Jackie Kelly, Ms King, Dr Laming, Mr Tanner, Mr Ticehurst, Senator Hogg, Senator Humphries, Senator Moore, Senator Murray, Senator Nash, Senator Watson.

Current inquiries:

Certain Taxation matters.

Financial management and equipment acquisition at the Department of Defence and Defence Materiel Organisation.

Further review of aviation security in Australia.

Review of Auditor-General's reports.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Mrs Moylan (*Chair*), Mr B. P. O'Connor (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Forrest, Mr Jenkins, Mr Ripoll, Mr Wakelin, Senator Forshaw, Senator Parry, Senator Judith Troeth.

Current inquiries:

Cairns, Qld—Redevelopment of HMAS Cairns.

Canberra ACT—Fit-out of new leased premises for the Australian Taxation Office at the site known as Section 84, Precincts B & C.

Civic, ACT—Fit-out of new leased premises for the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

Enoggera, Qld—Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Facilities Project.

Greenway, ACT—Fit-out of new leased premises for Centrelink.

Ipswich, Qld—Construction of housing for Defence at Fairview Rise.

Manly, NSW—Australian Institute of Police Management Redevelopment.

Melbourne, Vic—Fit-out of new leased premises for Australian Securities and Investment Commission at 120 Collins Street.

Provision of facilities for Project Single LEAP – Phase 1.

Sydney, NSW—Villawood Immigration Detention Centre redevelopment.

#### **Joint Standing**

**ELECTORAL MATTERS:** Mr Lindsay (*Chair*), Mr Danby (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Ciobo, Mr Griffin, Ms Panopoulos, Senator Brandis, Senator Carr, Senator Hogg, Senator Mason, Senator Murray (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

Current inquiry:

Civics and electoral education.

Disclosure of donations to political parties and candidates.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE: Senator Ferguson (*Chair*), Mr Edwards (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Baird, Mr Barresi, Mr Danby, Mrs Draper, Mrs Gash, Mr Gibbons, Mr Haase, Mr Hatton, Mr Jull, Mrs Moylan, Mr Prosser, Mr Scott, Mr Sercombe, Mr Snowdon, Dr Southcott, Mr C. P. Thompson, Ms Vamvakinou, Mr Wakelin, Mr Wilkie, Senator Bartlett, Senator Crossin, Senator Eggleston, Senator Hutchins, Senator Johnston, Senator Kirk, Senator Moore, Senator Payne, Senator Scullion, Senator Stott Despoja, Senator Webber (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

Current inquiries:

Australia's aid program in the Pacific.

Australian Defence Force regional air superiority.

Australia's defence relations with the United States of America.

Australia's Regional Strategic Defence Requirements.

Australia's relations with India.

Australia's relations with the Republic of Korea.

Australia's trade and investment relations with North African states.

Review of the Australia-New Zealand closer economic relations trade agreement.

**PARLIAMENTARY LIBRARY:** Mr Adams, Mr Anderson, Mr Broadbent, Mr Georgiou, Mr Hatton, Mr B. P. O'Connor, Mr Wakelin, Senator Allison, Senator Brandis, Senator Hutchins, Senator Nash, Senator Trood, Senator Webber (*Formed 7 December 2005*).

**MIGRATION:** Mr Randall (*Chair*), Senator Kirk (*Deputy Chair*), Mr L. Ferguson, Mrs Irwin, Mr Keenan, Dr Lawrence, Dr Southcott, Senator Bartlett, Senator Eggleston, Senator Parry (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

Current inquiry:

Skills recognition, upgrading and licensing.

NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES: Senator Lightfoot (*Chair*), Senator Lundy (*Deputy Chair*), Senator Carr, Mr Causley, Ms A. L. Ellis, Mr Neville, Ms Panopoulos, Mr Secker, Mr Snowdon, Senator Hogg, Senator Joyce, Senator Stott Despoja (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

Current inquiry:

Governance arrangements for the Indian Ocean Territories.

**TREATIES:** Dr Southcott (*Chair*), Mr Wilkie (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Johnson, Mr Keenan, Mrs May, Ms Panopoulos, Mr Ripoll, Mr Scott, Senator Bartlett, Senator C. Brown, Senator McGauran, Senator Mason, Senator Sterle, Senator Trood, Senator Wortley (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

Current inquiries:

Treaty tabled on 11 October 2005 (V&P, 11 October 2005, page 659).

Treaties tabled 7 & 8 February 2006 (V&P, 7 February 2006, page 898, 8 February 2006, page 914).

Treaty tabled on 28 February 2006 (V&P, 28 February 2006, page 979).

## APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY BODIES

- **ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AUSTRALIAN ARCHIVES:** Mr Somlyay (appointed 11 May 2005, for a period of 3 years).
- **COUNCIL OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA:** Mr M. J. Ferguson (*elected 16 August 2005, for a period of 3 years*).
- PARLIAMENTARY RETIRING ALLOWANCES TRUST: Mr Bartlett (appointed 11 August 2004), Mr Price (appointed 1 December 2004).