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TUESDAY, 7 AUGUST 2007

The House meets at 2 p.m.

## **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

# **Notice**

\*1 MR ABBOTT: To move—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the routine of business for this sitting being as set out in the document presented to the House this day by the Leader of the House.

# Orders of the day

- 1 AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP AMENDMENT (CITIZENSHIP TESTING) BILL 2007 (from Senate)(Minister for Immigration and Citizenship): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007) on the motion of Mr Andrews—That the Bill be now read a second time—And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr A. S. Burke, viz.—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "whilst not declining to give the bill a second reading and whilst welcoming the formalising of the current test for Australian Citizenship, the House:
  - (1) notes that the issue is whether the citizenship tests to be determined under the legislation are reasonable;
  - (2) notes the importance of teaching in the development of English language skills and the acquisition of knowledge of Australian history, culture and values; and
  - (3) calls on the Government to provide improvements to the Adult Migrant English Program and other settlement services to assist migrants to participate fully in the Australian community and to pass the citizenship test".
- 2 TRADE PRACTICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2007 (*Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 20 June 2007—Mr Emerson*).
- 3 NATIONAL HEALTH AMENDMENT (NATIONAL HPV VACCINATION PROGRAM REGISTER) BILL 2007 (Minister for Veterans' Affairs for the Minister for Health and Ageing): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 20 June 2007—Mr Emerson).
- \*4 TELECOMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (PROTECTING SERVICES FOR RURAL AND REGIONAL AUSTRALIA INTO THE FUTURE) BILL 2007 (Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr Snowdon).
- 5 AUSTRALIAN TECHNICAL COLLEGES (FLEXIBILITY IN ACHIEVING AUSTRALIA'S SKILLS NEEDS) AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2007 (Minister for Vocational and Further Education): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 20 June 2007—Mr McClelland).
- \*6 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2007 MEASURES NO. 4) BILL 2007 (Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Ms Plibersek).
- \*7 TAXATION (TRUSTEE BENEFICIARY NON-DISCLOSURE TAX) BILL (NO. 1) 2007 (Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Ms Plibersek).
- \* Notifications to which an asterisk (\*) is prefixed appear for the first time
- † Debate to be adjourned to a future day at the conclusion of the time allotted.

- \*8 TAXATION (TRUSTEE BENEFICIARY NON-DISCLOSURE TAX) BILL (NO. 2) 2007 (Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Ms Plibersek).
- 9 BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT AMENDMENT (OHS) BILL 2007 (Minister for Workforce Participation): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 28 May 2007—Mr Hayes, in continuation).
- 10 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2007 (Minister for Veterans' Affairs): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 30 May 2007—Mr Emerson).
- 11 **CORPORATIONS AMENDMENT (INSOLVENCY) BILL 2007** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 31 May 2007—Mr Edwards*).
- 12 SUPERANNUATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (TRUSTEE BOARD AND OTHER MEASURES) (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2007 (Special Minister of State): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 28 February 2007—Mr Crean).
- 13 **JUDGES' PENSIONS AMENDMENT BILL 2007** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 14 June 2007—Ms Plibersek*).
- 14 **INTERNATIONAL TRADE INTEGRITY BILL 2007** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 14 June 2007—Ms Plibersek*).
- 15 TELECOMMUNICATIONS (INTERCEPTION AND ACCESS) AMENDMENT BILL 2007 (Attorney-General): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 14 June 2007—Ms Plibersek).
- 16 **FEDERAL MAGISTRATES AMENDMENT (DISABILITY AND DEATH BENEFITS) BILL 2006** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 29 March 2006—Ms Roxon*).
- 17 CLASSIFICATION (PUBLICATIONS, FILMS AND COMPUTER GAMES) AMENDMENT (ADVERTISING AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL 2007 (Attorney-General): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 22 March 2007—Ms Plibersek).
- 18 FAMILIES, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (FURTHER 2007 BUDGET MEASURES) BILL 2007 (Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 20 June 2007—Mr McClelland).
- \*19 HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT AMENDMENT (EXTENDING FEE-HELP FOR VET DIPLOMA AND VET ADVANCED DIPLOMA COURSES) BILL 2007 (Minister for Vocational and Further Education): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr Snowdon).
- 20 **PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP (OIL) AMENDMENT BILL 2007** (Assistant Minister for the Environment and Water Resources): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 24 May 2007—Ms Plibersek).
- 21 SOCIAL SECURITY AMENDMENT (2007 MEASURES NO. 1) BILL 2007 (Minister for Workforce Participation): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 20 June 2007—Mr McClelland).
- 22 COMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (INFORMATION SHARING AND DATACASTING) BILL 2007 (Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 20 June 2007—Mr McClelland).
- \*23 CLASSIFICATION (PUBLICATIONS, FILMS AND COMPUTER GAMES) AMENDMENT (TERRORIST MATERIAL) BILL 2007 (Attorney-General): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr Snowdon).
- \*24 MIGRATION AMENDMENT (SPONSORSHIP OBLIGATIONS) BILL 2007 (Minister for Immigration and Citizenship): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr A. S. Burke).
- \*25 **SUPERANNUATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2007** (Special Minister of State): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr Snowdon).
- \*26 SOCIAL SECURITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (2007 BUDGET MEASURES FOR STUDENTS) BILL 2007 (Minister for Vocational and Further Education): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Ms Plibersek).
- \*27 FINANCIAL SECTOR LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (DISCRETIONARY MUTUAL FUNDS AND DIRECT OFFSHORE FOREIGN INSURERS) BILL 2007 (Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Ms Plibersek).
- \*28 **CORPORATIONS** (NATIONAL GUARANTEE FUND LEVIES) AMENDMENT BILL 2007 (Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Ms Plibersek).
- \*29 FINANCIAL SECTOR LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (SIMPLIFYING REGULATION AND REVIEW) BILL 2007 (Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Ms Plibersek).

- \*30 INTERNATIONAL TAX AGREEMENTS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2007 (Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Ms Plibersek).
- 31 MURRAY-DARLING BASIN AMENDMENT BILL 2006 (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry): Second reading—Resumption of debate (from 7 December 2006—Mr L. D. T. Ferguson).

# **Notices**—continued

2 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

- 32 TELECOMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (REGULAR REVIEWS AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2005: Consideration of Senate's amendments (from 9 August 2005).
- 33 PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES: Consideration of Senate's message No. 4. (from 29 November 2004).
- \*34 GOVERNMENT RESPONSES TO PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE REPORTS—RESPONSE TO THE SCHEDULE TABLED BY THE SPEAKER ON 7 DECEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- \*35 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE—SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE FLIGHTS—JULY TO DECEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- \*36 FORMER PARLIAMENTARIANS' TRAVEL PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION—JULY TO DECEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- \*37 PARLIAMENTARIANS' OVERSEAS STUDY TRAVEL REPORTS—JULY TO DECEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- \*38 PARLIAMENTARIANS' TRAVEL PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION—JULY TO DECEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- \*39 JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—REVIEW OF THE DEFENCE ANNUAL REPORT 2004-05—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE —MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- \*40 NATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL—ETHICAL GUIDELINES ON THE USE OF ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGY IN CLINICAL PRACTICE AND RESEARCH—2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 41 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSIONER—SOCIAL JUSTICE REPORT 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 14 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 42 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSIONER—NATIVE TITLE REPORT 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 14 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 43 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—OFFICE OF THE GENE TECHNOLOGY REGULATOR—QUARTERLY REPORT—1 OCTOBER 2006 TO 31 MARCH 2007—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 14 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 44 NATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL—EMBRYO RESEARCH LICENSING COMMITTEE—REPORT FOR 1 OCTOBER 2006 TO 31 MARCH 2007—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF

- **DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 June 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 45 AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION AND CONSUMER COMMISSION—TELECOMMUNICATIONS REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (*from 13 June 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 46 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE—REPORT ON PREMIUM INCREASES FOR THE QUARTER ENDING 30 JUNE 2007—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 13 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 47 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—RESPONSE TO OMBUDSMAN'S STATEMENTS MADE UNDER SECTION 4860 OF THE *MIGRATION ACT 1958*—PERSONAL IDENTIFIERS 138/07-199/07—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (*from 13 June 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 48 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—REPORTS BY THE COMMONWEALTH AND IMMIGRATION OMBUDSMAN—SECTION 4860 OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958—PERSONAL IDENTIFIERS 138/07-199/07—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 13 June 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 49 **DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND WATER RESOURCES—OFFICE OF THE RENEWABLE ENERGY REGULATOR—ANNUAL REPORT 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 June 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 50 STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS—REPORT—CRIME IN THE COMMUNITY: VICTIMS, OFFENDERS AND FEAR OF CRIME—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 June 2007—Mr McMullan) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 51 JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF THE AUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND CLOSER ECONOMIC RELATIONS (CER) TRADE AGREEMENT—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 24 May 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 52 JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON MIGRATION—DETENTION CENTRE CONTRACTS: REVIEW OF AUDIT REPORT NO. 1—2005-2006—MANAGEMENT OF DETENTION CENTRE CONTRACTS—PART B—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 24 May 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 53 STANDING COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION—REPORT—WORKING FOR AUSTRALIA'S FUTURE: INCREASING PARTICIPATION IN THE WORKFORCE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 22 May 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 54 PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION—REPORT NO. 37—CONSERVATION OF AUSTRALIA'S HISTORIC HERITAGE PLACES—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (*from 22 May 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 55 STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES—REGIONAL AVIATION AND ISLAND TRANSPORT SERVICES: MAKING ENDS MEET—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 May 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 56 JOINT COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—REPORT NO. 372—CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT BUSINESS ENTERPRISES—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 May 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 57 STANDING COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION—REPORT—SHIFTING GEARS: EMPLOYMENT IN THE AUTOMOTIVE COMPONENT MANUFACTURING SECTOR—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE

- **OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 May 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 58 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—REPORTS BY THE COMMONWEALTH AND IMMIGRATION OMBUDSMAN—SECTION 4860 OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958—PERSONAL IDENTIFIER 126/07-137/07—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 9 May 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 59 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—OMBUDSMAN'S REPORT ON INSPECTION OF THE AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION'S SURVEILLANCE DEVICE RECORDS—1 JULY TO 31 DECEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 9 May 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 60 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—TELECOMMUNICATIONS (INTERCEPTION AND ACCESS) ACT 1979—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 9 May 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 61 **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY—INTERGENERATIONAL REPORT 2007—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 May 2007—Mr Crean*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 62 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—REPORT OF THE INQUIRY INTO CERTAIN AUSTRALIAN COMPANIES IN RELATION TO THE U.N. OIL-FOR-FOOD PROGRAMME—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 8 May 2007—Mr Crean) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 63 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY—PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION INQUIRY REPORT—REVIEW OF PRICE REGULATION OF AIRPORT SERVICES—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 8 May 2007—Mr Crean) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 64 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY—VARIATION TO THE TASMANIAN REGIONAL FOREST AGREEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 8 May 2007—Mr Crean) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 65 STANDING COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES—REPORT—GREENHOUSE FRIENDLY FUEL FOR AN ENERGY HUNGRY WORLD—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE —MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Ruddock—That the House take note of the document.
- 66 GLOBAL INITIATIVES ON FORESTS AND CLIMATE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 29 March 2007) on the motion of Mr Ruddock—That the House take note of the document.
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—OFFICE OF THE GENE TECHNOLOGY REGULATOR—QUARTERLY REPORT—1 OCTOBER TO 31 DECEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 March 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 68 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 46A OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 March 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 69 NATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL—NATIONAL STATEMENT ON ETHICAL CONDUCT IN HUMAN RESEARCH—MARCH 2007—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 March 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 70 AUSTRALIAN RADIATION PROTECTION AND NUCLEAR SAFETY AGENCY—ANNUAL REPORT **2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 March 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 71 SECOND REPORT ON THE COSTS OF THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S RUN-OFF COVER SCHEME FOR MEDICAL INDEMNITY INSURERS—2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 27 March 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.

- 72 QUARTERLY REPORT ON MOVEMENT CAP FOR SYDNEY AIRPORT—1 OCTOBER TO 31 DECEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 27 March 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 73 **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—NATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN 2007-09—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 March 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 74 STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES—REPORT—INQUIRY INTO MARITIME SALVAGE IN AUSTRALIAN WATERS—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 March 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 75 AUSTRALIAN RADIATION PROTECTION AND NUCLEAR SAFETY AGENCY—QUARTERLY REPORT—1 APRIL 2006 TO 30 JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 20 March 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Hunt—That the House take note of the document.
- 76 TREATY BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF TIMOR-LESTE ON CERTAIN MARITIME ARRANGEMENTS IN THE TIMOR SEA—REASONS FOR INVOKING THE NATIONAL INTEREST EXEMPTION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 20 March 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Hunt—That the House take note of the document.
- 77 PARLIAMENTARY JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—REPORT—AUSTRALIA'S DEFENCE RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 1 March 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND CITZENSHIP—REPORT ON THE CONDUCT OF REFUGEE TRIBUNAL REVIEWS NOT COMPLETED WITHIN 90 DAYS—1 JULY TO 31 OCTOBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 27 February 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 79 **DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP—PROTECTION VISA PROCESSING TAKING MORE THAN 90 DAYS—REPORT FOR 1 JULY TO 31 OCTOBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 February 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 80 **DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND WATER RESOURCES—NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COUNCIL—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 February 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 81 **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY—WHEAT EXPORT AUTHORITY— ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 February 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 82 PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON NATIVE TITLE AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND ACCOUNT—REPORT—OPERATION OF NATIVE TITLE REPRESENTATIVE BODIES—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 15 February 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 83 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—REPORT—REPORT TO PARLIAMENT ON THE EXPORT OF HUMAN EMBRYOS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 13 February 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—TOBACCO ADVERTISING PROHIBITION ACT 1992—REPORT—1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 February 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 85 **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY—MID-YEAR ECONOMIC AND FISCAL OUTLOOK 2006-2007— MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 February 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.

- 86 PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION—REPORT NO. 38—WASTE MANAGEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 6 February 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Baldwin—That the House take note of the document.
- 87 NATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL—EMBRYO RESEARCH LICENSING COMMITTEE—REPORT FOR 1 APRIL 2006 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 6 February 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Baldwin—That the House take note of the document.
- 88 AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE—THE SUPERANNUATION GOVERNMENT CO-CONTRIBUTION FOR LOW INCOME EARNERS—QUARTERLY REPORT FOR 1 JULY 2006 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 6 February 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Baldwin—That the House take note of the document.
- 89 **DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—MIGRATION AGENTS REGISTRATION AUTHORITY—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 6 February 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Baldwin—That the House take note of the document.
- 90 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—OFFICE OF THE GENE TECHNOLOGY REGULATOR—QUARTERLY REPORT—1 JULY TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 6 February 2007—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Baldwin—That the House take note of the document.
- 91 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—COPYRIGHT AGENCY LIMITED—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (*from 6 February 2007—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Baldwin—That the House take note of the document.
- 92 GOVERNMENT RESPONSES TO PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE REPORTS—RESPONSE TO THE SCHEDULE TABLED BY THE SPEAKER ON 22 JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 December 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 93 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE—SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE FLIGHTS—JANUARY TO JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 December 2006—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 94 FORMER PARLIAMENTARIANS' TRAVEL PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION—JANUARY TO JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 December 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 95 PARLIAMENTARIANS' OVERSEAS STUDY TRAVEL REPORTS—JANUARY TO JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 December 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 96 PARLIAMENTARIANS' TRAVEL PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION—JANUARY TO JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 December 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 97 FORMER GOVERNORS-GENERAL TRAVEL EXPENDITURE—JANUARY TO JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 December 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 98 AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION—REDISTRIBUTION INTO ELECTORAL DIVISIONS—2006—NEW SOUTH WALES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 30 November 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document
- 99 AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION—REDISTRIBUTION INTO ELECTORAL DIVISIONS—2006—QUEENSLAND—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 30 November 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 100 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING—AUSTRALIAN VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION SYSTEM—NATIONAL REPORT TO PARLIAMENT FOR 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 29 November 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.

- 101 **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—***AGED CARE ACT 1997*—**ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006 MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 November 2006 Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 102 DEPARTMENT OF EMPOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS—EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR WOMEN IN THE WORKPLACE AGENCY—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 November 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 103 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—STATUTORY REVIEW OF THE GENE TECHNOLOGY ACT 2000 AND THE GENE TECHNOLOGY AGREEMENT 2001—STATE, TERRITORY AND AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENTS' RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 November 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 104 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 November 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 105 **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY—LAND AND WATER AUSTRALIA—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 November 2006—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 106 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING—SCHOOLS' ASSISTANCE (LEARNING TOGETHER—ACHIEVMENT THROUGH CHOICE AND OPPORTUNITY) ACT 2004—REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTED TO EACH STATE IN RESPECT OF 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 November 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 107 DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND RESOURCES—SNOWY HYDRO LIMITED—REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 3 JULY 2005 TO 1 JULY 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 November 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 108 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS—TELSTRA CORPORATION LIMITED—REPORT ON EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 November 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 109 **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY—FUTURE FUND—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 2 November 2006—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 110 PUBLICATIONS—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—DISTRIBUTION OF THE PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS SERIES—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 2 November 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 111 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING—TEACHING AUSTRALIA: AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE FOR TEACHING AND SCHOOL LEADERSHIP—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 2 November 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 112 ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AFFAIRS—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE—MANY WAYS FORWARD: REPORT OF THE INQUIRY INTO CAPACITY BUILDING AND SERVICE DELIVERY IN INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE, AUGUST 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 1 November 2006—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 113 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS—AUSTRALIAN FAIR PAY COMMISSION—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 31 October 2006—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 114 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS—AUSTRALIAN FAIR PAY COMMISSION SECRETARIAT—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 31 October 2006—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.

- 115 **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY—AUSTRALIAN LANDCARE COUNCIL—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 31 October 2006—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—OFFICE OF THE GENE TECHNOLOGY REGULATOR—QUARTERLY REPORT—1 APRIL TO 30 JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 31 October 2006—Mr Albanese) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 117 **DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS—REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 31 October 2006—Mr Albanese*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 118 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE—DEFENCE FORCE RETIREMENT AND DEATH BENEFITS AUTHORITY—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 19 October 2006) on the motion of Ms J. Bishop—That the House take note of the document
- 119 **DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS—OFFICE OF THE EMPLOYMENT ADVOCATE—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 19 October 2006*) on the motion of Ms J. Bishop—That the House take note of the document.
- 120 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS—AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION AND THE AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIAL REGISTRY—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 19 October 2006) on the motion of Ms J. Bishop—That the House take note of the document.
- 121 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF PARLIAMENTARY COUNSEL—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 18 October 2006—Ms Macklin) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 122 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—RESPONSE TO OMBUDSMAN'S STATEMENTS MADE UNDER SECTION 4860 OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958—STATEMENT TO PARLIAMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 18 October 2006—Ms Macklin) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 123 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—REPORTS BY THE COMMONWEALTH AND IMMIGRATION OMBUDSMAN—SECTION 4860 OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958—PERSONAL IDENTIFIERS 072/06 AND 073/06—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 18 October 2006—Ms Macklin) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 124 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANISATION—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 18 October 2006—Ms Macklin) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 125 DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE—AUSTRALIAN SAFEGUARDS AND NON-PROLIFERATION OFFICE—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 18 October 2006—Ms Macklin) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 126 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—MIGRATION REVIEW TRIBUNAL AND REFUGEE REVIEW TRIBUNAL—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 18 October 2006—Ms Macklin) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 127 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS—AUSTRALIAN COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA AUTHORITY—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 17 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Andrews—That the House take note of the document.
- 128 **DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE—GREAT BARRIER REEF MARINE PARK AUTHORITY—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 October 2006—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Andrews—That the House take note of the document.

- 129 INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 17 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Andrews—That the House take note of the document.
- 130 NATIONAL WATER COMMISSION—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 17 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Andrews—That the House take note of the document.
- 131 **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006— MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 October 2006—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Andrews—That the House take note of the document.
- 132 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COURT OF AUSTRALIA—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 17 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Andrews—That the House take note of the document.
- 133 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—AUSTRALIAN TRANSACTION REPORTS AND ANALYSIS CENTRE (AUSTRAC)—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 17 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Andrews—That the House take note of the document.
- 134 DEPARTMENT OF FAMILIES, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS—ABORIGINALS BENEFIT ACCOUNT—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 135 HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION—REPORT NO.36—BREACH OF MS CD'S HUMAN RIGHTS AT THE CURTIN IMMIGRATION PROCESSING AND RECEPTION CENTRE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 136 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION—MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT (STAFF) ACT 1984—CONSULTANTS ENGAGED UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE ACT—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Ms J. Bishop—That the House take note of the document.
- 137 **DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE—OFFICE OF THE RENEWABLE ENERGY REGULATOR—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 October 2006—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Ms J. Bishop—That the House take note of the document.
- 138 AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE—CONTROLLED OPERATIONS—ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Ms J. Bishop—That the House take note of the document.
- 139 REPATRIATION COMMISSION, DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS AND NATIONAL TREATMENT MONITORING COMMITTEE—ANNUAL REPORTS 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Ms J. Bishop—That the House take note of the document.
- 140 **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—OFFICE OF THE GENE TECHNOLOGY REGULATOR— ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 October 2006—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 141 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING—NATIONAL REPORT TO THE PARLIAMENT ON INDIGENOUS EDUCATION AND TRAINING 2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 142 MEDIBANK PRIVATE—ANNUAL REPORT 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 143 MEDIBANK PRIVATE—STATEMENT OF CORPORATE INTENT 2007-2009—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 October 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 144 ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—OMBUDSMAN'S REPORT ON INSPECTION OF THE AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION'S SURVEILLANCE DEVICE RECORDS—1 JANUARY TO 30 JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 14 September 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.

- 145 AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE—AUTHORISATIONS FOR THE ACQUISITION AND USE OF ASSUMED IDENTITIES—2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 September 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 146 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PALMER REPORT OF INQUIRY INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE IMMIGRATION DETENTION OF CORNELIA RAU—12 MONTHS PROGRESS REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 September 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 147 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—PROTECTION VISA PROCESSING TAKING MORE THAN 90 DAYS—REPORT FOR 1 MARCH TO 30 JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 September 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 148 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—REFUGEE REVIEW TRIBUNAL REVIEWS NOT COMPLETED WITHIN 90 DAYS—REPORT FOR 1 MARCH TO 30 JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 September 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 149 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—OFFICE OF THE GENE TECHNOLOGY REGULATOR—QUARTERLY REPORT FOR 1 JANUARY TO 31 MARCH 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 5 September 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 150 DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE—AUSTRALIAN GREENHOUSE OFFICE—ENERGY USE IN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 5 September 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 151 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING—HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING ACT 1988—2004 DETERMINATIONS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 August 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Brough—That the House take note of the document.
- 152 QUARTERLY REPORT ON MOVEMENT CAP FOR SYDNEY AIRPORT—1 JANUARY TO 31 MARCH 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 August 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Brough—That the House take note of the document.
- 153 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—2005 BIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE MEDICARE PROVIDER NUMBER LEGISLATION—RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL MEETING OF 24 FEBRUARY 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 8 August 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 154 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF THE SPAM ACT 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 22 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 155 PARLIAMENTARIANS' TRAVEL PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION—JULY TO DECEMBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 22 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 156 FORMER PARLIAMENTARIANS' TRAVEL PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION—JULY TO DECEMBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 22 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 157 PARLIAMENTARIANS' OVERSEAS STUDY TRAVEL REPORTS—JULY TO DECEMBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 22 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 158 FORMER GOVERNORS-GENERAL TRAVEL EXPENDITURE—1 JULY TO 31 DECEMBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 22 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 159 STEVEDORING INDUSTRY FINANCE COMMITTEE—REPORT FOR 2005-2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.

- 160 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS—SECTION 24 OF THE AIR PASSENGER TICKET LEVY (COLLECTION) ACT 2001—REPORT FOR 1 APRIL 2005 TO 31 MARCH 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 161 AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF HEALTH AND WELFARE—AUSTRALIA'S HEALTH 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 162 NATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL—EMBRYO RESEARCH LICENSING COMMITTEE—REPORT FOR 1 OCTOBER 2005 TO 31 MARCH 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 163 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING—SKILLING AUSTRALIA'S WORKFORCE—2005-2008 COMMONWEALTH-STATE AGREEMENT FOR SKILLING AUSTRALIA'S WORKFORCE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 164 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—RESPONSE TO OMBUDSMAN'S STATEMENT MADE UNDER SECTION 4860 OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958—ASSESSMENT OF DETENTION ARRANGEMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 20 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 165 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—RESPONSE TO OMBUDSMAN'S STATEMENT MADE UNDER SECTION 4860 OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958—STATEMENT TO PARLIAMENT—SUBSECTION 4860(5) OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 20 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 166 HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION—REPORT NO.35—INQUIRY INTO A COMPLAINT MADE BY MR AV OF A BREACH OF HIS HUMAN RIGHTS WHILE IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 20 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 167 HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION—REPORT NO.33—INQUIRY INTO A COMPLAINT MADE BY MS TRACY GORDON OF DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT ON THE BASIS OF A CRIMINAL RECORD—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 15 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 168 HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION—REPORT NO.34—INQUIRY INTO A COMPLAINT MADE BY MR DANIEL CLARK AGAINST THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE OF A BREACH OF HIS RIGHT TO FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 15 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 169 NATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL—REPORT FOR 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 15 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 170 SECURITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (TERRORISM) ACT—REPORT OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE JUNE 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 15 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 171 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE—REPORT ON PREMIUM INCREASES FOR THE QUARTER ENDING 31 MARCH 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 13 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 172 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—OFFICE OF THE GENE TECHNOLOGY REGULATOR—QUARTERLY REPORT FOR 1 OCTOBER 2005 TO 31 DECEMBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 13 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 173 DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE—OFFICE OF THE RENEWABLE ENERGY REGULATOR—INCREASING AUSTRALIA'S RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY GENERATION—ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 13 June 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.

- 174 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES—ROADS TO RECOVERY PROGRAMME—REPORT FOR 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 1 June 2006—Ms Macklin) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 175 AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE—THE SUPERANNUATION GOVERNMENT CO-CONTRIBUTION FOR LOW INCOME EARNERS—QUARTERLY REPORT FOR 1 JANUARY 2005 TO 31 OCTOBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 30 May 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 176 AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION—REDISTRIBUTION OF THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY INTO ELECTORAL DIVISIONS—2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 23 May 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 177 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—PROTECTION VISA PROCESSING TAKING MORE THAN 90 DAYS—REPORT FOR 1 NOVEMBER 2005 TO 28 FEBRUARY 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 23 May 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 178 REPORT ON THE CONDUCT OF REFUGEE TRIBUNAL REVIEWS NOT COMPLETED WITHIN 90 DAYS—1 NOVEMBER 2005 TO 28 FEBRUARY 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from February 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 179 QUARTERLY REPORT ON MOVEMENT CAP FOR SYDNEY AIRPORT—1 APRIL TO 30 JUNE 2005 AND 1 JULY TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 May 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 180 QUARTERLY REPORT ON MOVEMENT CAP FOR SYDNEY AIRPORT—QUARTER ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (*from 10 May 2006—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 181 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—RESPONSE TO OMBUDSMAN'S STATEMENT MADE UNDER SECTION 4860 OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 May 2006—Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 182 DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS—COMMONWEALTH OMBUDSMAN—SECTION 4860 OF THE MIGRATION ACT 1958 [PERSONAL IDENTIFIER 049/06 055/06]—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 10 May 2006— Ms Gillard) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 183 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.
- 184 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.
- 185 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.
- 186 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.
- 187 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.
- 188 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.

- 189 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.
- 190 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.
- 191 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.
- 192 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.
- 193 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.
- 194 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.
- 195 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.
- 196 **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.
- 197 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.
- 198 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.
- 199 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.
- 200 **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.
- 201 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.
- 202 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.
- 203 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.

- 204 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.
- 205 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.
- 206 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.
- 207 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.
- 208 **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.
- 209 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.
- 210 **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.
- 211 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.
- 212 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.
- 213 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.
- 214 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.
- 215 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.
- 216 **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.
- 217 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.
- 218 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.
- 219 **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.
- 220 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.

- 221 **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.
- 222 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.
- 223 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.
- 224 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.
- 225 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.
- 226 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.
- 227 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.
- 228 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.
- 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.
- 230 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.
- 231 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.
- 232 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.
- 233 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.
- 234 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.
- 235 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.

- 236 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.
- 237 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).

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2006)—moved 15 June 2006—Resumption of debate (Mr G. M. O'Connor).

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2007)—moved 15 February 2007—Resumption of debate (Mr Edwards).

Customs Tariff Proposal No. 2 (2007)—moved 31 May 2007—Resumption of debate (Mr Edwards).

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

# Bills to be reported from the Main Committee

- 1 INDUSTRIAL CHEMICALS (NOTIFICATION AND ASSESSMENT) AMENDMENT (COSMETICS) BILL 2007: To be reported without amendment (*from 21 June 2007*).
- 2 INTERNATIONAL TAX AGREEMENTS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2007: To be reported without amendment (from 21 June 2007).

# **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 INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF SECURITY AND COUNTER-TERRORISM LEGISLATION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 4 December 2006) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 2 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF AUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND TRADE AND INVESTMENT RELATIONS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 December 2006) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 3 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT NO. 83: TREATIES TABLED ON 20 JUNE (2), 17 OCTOBER, 28 NOVEMBER (2) 2006 AND CO<sub>2</sub> SEQUESTRATION IN SUB-SEABED FORMATIONS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 26 March 2007) 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 5 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 4 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT NO. 84: TREATY TABLED ON 6 DECEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 20 June 2007) 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 13 August 2007.)
- \*5 PROCEDURE COMMITTEE—REPORT—OPTIONS FOR NURSING MOTHERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007) 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 8 sitting Mondays after13 August 2007.)
- \*6 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT NO. 85: TREATIES TABLED ON 6, 7 AND 27 FEBRUARY 2007—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 21 June 2007) 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 13 August 2007.)

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

#### **Notices**

- 1 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To move—That the House:
  - (1) notes with grave concern several reports from Amnesty International about the unabated killing of political activists in the Philippines, which, according to reports, includes up to 716 political murders and 176 political disappearances since Mrs Arroyo came to power in January 2001, with victims including political party regional leaders, clergy, church workers, lawyers, journalists, trade union and farmer union leaders, human rights monitors, 43 children and Bishop Ramento of the Philippines Independent Church;
  - (2) notes the statements by Amnesty International that these unabated killings share similar characteristics, including the political affiliations of the victims, the methodology of attacks, and reports that the armed forces or other state agents have been directly involved in the attacks, or have consented to, or been complicit in them;
  - (3) notes that Amnesty International considers there is a persistent pattern of failure to conduct prompt and effective investigations which lead to the arrest, prosecution and conviction of those responsible;
  - (4) notes that the Government of the Republic of the Philippines is duty-bound to protect the right to life of every individual in the country, irrespective of their background or political affiliation, and calls on the Government of President Arroyo to take urgent action to stop the political killings; and
  - (5) calls on Foreign Minister Alexander Downer to convey its condemnation of these political killings and its call for urgent action to stop these killings; and
  - (6) calls on Foreign Minister Alexander Downer to elicit a formal response from the Philippines Government. (Notice given 30 November 2006. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 2 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the House:
  - (1) notes, and congratulates, Red Lea Farm Fresh Chickens on its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of operation;
  - (2) notes that Red Lea has operated from its Blacktown site since 1957 and has remained a proud local Australian owned and operated business throughout its lifetime;
  - (3) notes that Red Lea currently employs more than 1,000 staff, has 35 retail outlets, 26 delivery trucks and processes in excess of 18 million chickens each year; and
  - (4) reaffirms its support for Australian owned and operated businesses, with particular emphasis on the workers they employ and communities they help build. (*Notice given 6 February 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)
- 3 MR FITZGIBBON: To move—That the House expresses concern that the Government's mismanagement of the Defence budget and Defence procurement policy is undermining Australia's national security. (Notice given 12 February 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 4 MS A. L. ELLIS: To move—That the House:
  - (1) notes:

- (a) the growing incidence of, and pressures on, grandparents being called on to resume the role of parenting of grandchildren, resulting from family tragedies, family breakdown, or the devastating impacts of drug or alcohol abuse;
- (b) the tremendous role that many community organisations and support services play in highlighting these issues, seeking funding support for services; and
- (c) the fundamental role grandparents are playing in holding many family units together and their struggle to provide a safe, secure and supportive environment for their grandchildren;

# (2) acknowledges:

- (a) the support currently provided by government departments and agencies;
- (b) the contribution of peak organisations around Australia, including research and reports developed by such bodies as Families Australia (*Grandparenting: Present and Future*, January 2007) and in the ACT, the Canberra Mothercraft Society Inc (*Grandparents Parenting Children because of Alcohol and other Drugs*, 2006); and
- (c) that these organisations are doing a great service to families in these circumstances by their calls to achieve substantive improvements in quality of life for grandparents and the children in their care by advocating for legislative recognition of these particular family units and their unique situations;
- (3) recognises, when considering the key issues faced by grandparents raising children:
  - the need for relevant, current and accessible information as soon as children arrive as resources developed by community organisations rapidly become out-of-date as such organisations often lack funding for ongoing updates and reprints;
  - (b) the potential for significant financial hardship and compromise when grandparents take on parenting of grandchildren, including the often limited financial resources of grandparents and the hardship and challenges they face in making a suitable home and supporting children's needs:
  - (c) the need for access to affordable legal services and support;
  - (d) that parenting over the age of 55 has significant health impacts, exacerbated when grandparents are faced with the unexpected physical and emotional toll of caring for children who are often struggling themselves as a result of the circumstances they have come from;
  - (e) the significant contribution grandparents make to the social capital of their community and our nation, the isolation and, sometimes, the stigma felt by grandparents and grandchildren in these circumstances and the relative scarcity of natural peer support and community linkages available to grandparents caring for children; and
  - (f) the need for further research to identify the extent of grandparent families, particularly indigenous grandparent families; and
- (7) calls on the Government to seek further departmental improvements in response to these issues, including consideration of peak body representations in the areas of:
  - (a) accessibility of relevant information and advice;
  - (b) consideration of financial implications;
  - (c) legal complexities and costs;
  - (d) health impacts on grandparents and children;
  - (e) impact on grandparents and their contribution to society; and
  - (f) the need for further research. (*Notice given 12 February 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)

# 5 **MR BOWEN:** To move—That the House:

- (1) notes the decision by the Federal Government to end upfront tax deductions for investors in non-forestry agribusiness Managed Investment Schemes (MIS);
- (2) notes the impact of this announcement on rural investment and job losses;
- (3) condemns the Government for its lack of consultation on the proposed tax treatment of non-forestry agribusiness MIS with the agribusiness industry; and
- (4) notes the Government's pretence that it is the 'party of business' while it flagrantly disregards the need for certainty in relation to investment decisions and the need to provide transitional arrangements when making changes such as this. (Notice given 12 February 2007. Notice will be

removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

## 6 **MS LIVERMORE:** To move—That the House:

- (1) recognises that the Central Queensland Military and Artefacts Museum was established in 1999 with 90 items, but that the museum has grown to become a substantial public museum with a collection of some 37,000 items;
- (2) notes that the lease on the museum's present premises has expired, thus throwing the future of this significant institution into doubt;
- (3) recognises that the Archer Street Barracks in Rockhampton is no longer needed by the Australian Defence Force and that the barracks would make an ideal site for the Central Queensland Military and Artefacts Museum; and
- (4) calls on the Minister for Finance and Administration to transfer the barracks to the Central Queensland Military and Artefacts Museum at no cost, subject to the museum committing to:
  - (a) taking full responsibility for the maintenance and upkeep of the land and structures, both existing and in future;
  - (b) never selling any more than half of the land area and, if any of the land area is sold, using the funds obtained only to finance the maintenance or expansion of the museum; and
  - (c) the land and buildings being returned to the Commonwealth at no cost if the museum ceases to operate. (Notice given 13 February 2007 Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

### 7 **MR RUDD:** To move—That the House:

- (1) notes the Prime Minister's false basis for Australia's decision to go to war in Iraq;
- (2) notes the Prime Minister's misuse of intelligence material to justify his decision to send Australian service personnel into active duty in Iraq;
- (3) notes the Prime Minister's failure to articulate a clear-cut mission statement for Australia's continued participation in the Iraq war;
- (4) notes the Prime Minister's failure to develop a clear-cut exit strategy from the war based on that mission statement;
- (5) notes the Prime Minister's refusal to explain to the Parliament and the people of Australia his strategy for winning the war in Iraq;
- (6) notes the Prime Minister's attack on the alternate administration of the United States of America and majority party in the United States Congress as Al Qaeda's party of choice; and
- (7) calls on the Prime Minister to accept the Leader of the Opposition's challenge to a nationally televised debate on Labor's plan to bring our troops home and the Prime Minister's plan to leave our troops in Iraq indefinitely. (Notice given 14 February 2007 Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

# 8 **MS LIVERMORE:** To move—That the House:

- (1) acknowledges 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) recognises that Australian South Sea Islanders, as a group, experience disadvantage compared to the general Australian population;
- (3) notes 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) calls on the Federal Government to go beyond the symbolism of formal recognition of Australian South Sea Islanders and expand current policies to enact appropriate measures designed to deliver real assistance to this group. (Notice given 26 February 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 9 MR EDWARDS: To move—That the House calls on the Minister for Defence to recognise the offence and hurt caused by his remarks likening the Iraq War to the Kokoda campaign and urges him to unreservedly apologise to all veterans of the Kokoda Track and their families. (*Notice given 26 February 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)

#### 10 MRS MAY: To move—That the House:

- (1) recognises that:
  - (a) high blood pressure is a major risk factor for coronary heart disease, stroke, heart failure, peripheral vascular disease and renal failure;
  - (b) cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death and disability in Australia, claiming the lives of 50,294 people in 2002, or 38 per cent of all deaths;
  - (c) around 3.67 million Australians are affected by heart, stroke and vascular diseases;
  - (d) 1.10 million Australians are disabled long-term by heart, stroke and vascular diseases;
  - (e) the prevalence of heart, stroke and vascular conditions increased by 18.2 per cent over the last decade; and
  - (f) the total burden of heart, stroke and vascular diseases is expected to increase over the coming decades;
- (2) also recognises that:
  - (a) salt appears to be the necessary cause of high blood pressure; and
  - (b) controlling one's salt intake plays a big role in controlling one's blood pressure, which in turn reduces the risk of cardiovascular disease;
- (3) calls on the Australian Government to:
  - (a) educate the Australian people on the dangers of a high salt diet; and
  - (b) follow the United Kingdom's example and label food with green lights, which identify at a glance the best foods on the market for salt content; and
- (4) on a bipartisan level, encourage Australians to reduce their salt intake and maintain a healthy lifestyle. (*Notice given 26 February 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)

## 11 MR DANBY: To move—That the House:

- (1) note statements by President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad of Iran:
  - (a) calling for the destruction of the State of Israel;
  - (b) warning any Muslim who supports Israel that they will burn in the hell of Islam; and
  - (c) denying Nazi genocide against the Jews of Europe and demonising Jews;
- (2) calls on the Australian Government, Australia being a party to the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, to:
  - (a) refer the incitements to genocide by President Ahmadinejad and other Iranian leaders to the appropriate agencies of the United Nations for account;
  - (b) initiate in the International Court of Justice an inter-state complaint against Iran for its criminal violation of the Genocide Convention; and
  - (c) urge the United Nations to act against Iran's threats to eliminate the State of Israel;
- (3) affirm the principle that no country should be allowed to call for the elimination of another; and
- (4) condemn the incitements to genocide by President Ahmadinejad and other Iranian leaders. (*Notice given 20 March 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)

## 12 **MS LIVERMORE:** To move—That the House:

- (1) acknowledges that:
  - (a) it is now 43 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 the 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) calls 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 20 March 2007*. *Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007*.)

# 13 **MR GARRETT:** To move—That the House:

- (1) recognises that climate change poses real threats to Australia and that there is an urgent need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions;
- (2) congratulates the organisers of Earth Hour 2007, which encourages Sydneysiders—businesses and individuals—to turn off their lights at 7.30 p.m. on 31 March for one hour;
- (3) urges Members of this House to support Earth Hour in their electorates; and
- (4) calls on the Howard Government to participate in Earth Hour 2007 by turning off the lights of all unoccupied Commonwealth Government buildings for one hour at 7.30 p.m. on 31 March 2007. (Notice given 21 March 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

# 14 **MS ROXON:** To move—That the House:

- (1) expresses concern at:
  - (a) recent reports of unlawful killing and detention of Oromo refugees by Ethiopian and Somali security forces in Somalia; and
  - (b) ongoing reports of human rights violations and persecution of ethnic groups in Ethiopia; and
- (2) calls on the Australian Government to:
  - (a) urge the international community to secure the rights of Oromo refugees in Somalia and elsewhere; and
  - (b) request that the Ethiopian Government allow its citizens to peacefully exercise their rights to freedom of association and assembly and investigate fully reports of human rights violations by police and security forces. (*Notice given 21 March 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)

# 15 **MR ADAMS:** To move—That the House:

- (1) congratulates the Tasmanian Cascade Tigers for their exceptional performance in the Pura Cup final;
- (2) recognises the importance of the Pura Cup Cricket competition in encouraging first-class cricket;
- (3) acknowledges the fine work that the Tasmanian team does in the local community in encouraging young people to play sport; and
- (4) notes that this is the first time that Tasmania has won this event. (*Notice given 22 March 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)

# 16 **MS HALL:** To move—That the House:

- recognises that epilepsy is the most common serious brain disorder and is the most universal of all medical disorders;
- (2) acknowledges that 200,000 people live with epilepsy at any one time in Australia and that up to three times as many Australians will have epilepsy at some time in their lives;
- (3) that people living with epilepsy are disadvantaged by lack of research into the disorder and by the lack of a national plan for epilepsy or deeming it a disorder that is a national priority;
- (4) acknowledges the impact that epilepsy has on the lives of people living with it;
- (5) calls on the Australian Government to fund greater research into epilepsy; and
- (6) calls on the Australian Government to establish a nationwide educational strategy on epilepsy modelled on the World Health Organisation's global campaign. (*Notice given 9 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)

# 17 **MS HALL:** To move—That the House:

- (1) acknowledges the impact that the Howard Government's Welfare to Work changes have had on older unemployed workers;
- (2) acknowledges that the Welfare to Work changes place obligations on these workers whilst the Government fails to provide the training and support needed to obtain employment;

- (3) calls on the Howard Government to recognise the role older unemployed workers play in our community, providing unpaid child care and in volunteering;
- (4) calls on the Howard Government to realistically recognise the training needs of older workers and to provide real assistance to these Australians seeking to re-enter the workforce whilst acknowledging that some mature workers fully meet their obligations undertaking voluntary work. (*Notice given 9 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)
- 18 MR S. F. SMITH: To move—That the House notes the Government's failure in the 2007 Budget to make up for its more than ten years of neglect and complacency towards the education sector, including investment in early childhood education, and skills and training in Australia's TAFEs. (*Notice given 9 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)

# 19 MR GEORGANAS: To move—That the House:

- (1) acknowledges that prostate cancer continues to be a major disease amongst Australian men, with approximately 12,000 men diagnosed with, and 2,700 men dying from, prostate cancer annually;
- (2) recognises the difficulty of men identifying prostate cancer symptoms and reluctance of many men to instigate medical consultations;
- (3) supports the three-year 'Be A Man' campaign, due to conclude early in 2008; and
- (4) calls on the Federal Government to explore ways of providing funding in support of optimal treatment. (Notice given 10 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

# 20 MR ANDREN: To move—That the House:

- (1) notes that:
  - (a) 26 May 2007 marks the tenth anniversary of the *Bringing Them Home* report;
  - (b) most of the recommendations of the report have been ignored by successive Coalition governments;
  - (c) medical evidence shows that many indigenous children who were removed from their families have been severely affected, with that effect carrying on to following generations;
  - (d) the Urbis Keys Young report established by the Government has revealed that some Bringing Them Home and Link-Up counselors are struggling to cope with up to more than 80 clients each, compared with the average caseload of 25 for a mental health worker in mainstream services;
  - (e) the same report described the Government response to the needs of the Stolen Generation as "poorly coordinated and insufficiently targeted"; and
  - (f) the Canadian Government has implemented measures totaling \$4.8 billion dollars to address its equivalent of the Stolen Generations, with 50 per cent for compensation for those indigenous children held in institutions over many years, as well as an Aboriginal Healing Foundation and Truth and Reconciliation Commission; and
- (2) calls on the current and any future Government to immediately implement measures to address the continuing adverse social, physical and mental health outcomes impacting on the Stolen Generation and subsequent generations. (Notice given 10 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

# 21 MRS MIRABELLA: To move—That the House:

- (1) notes that:
  - (a) Palestinian terrorists infiltrated Israel's sovereign border from the Gaza Strip on 25 June 2006, attacked an army post inside Israel's sovereign territory and kidnapped Corporal Gilad Shalit into Gaza;
  - (b) on 12 July 2006—in a similar aggressive cross-border attack from southern Lebanon—Hizbollah terrorists infiltrated sovereign Israeli territory and kidnapped Israeli Defence Force Reservists Ehud Goldwasser and Eldad Regev;
  - (c) there is no territorial dispute between Israel and Lebanon, since Israel withdrew from her security zone in May 2000, under the supervision of the United Nations; and
  - (d) these young soldiers were serving their active duty within Israel's borders and now, for more than nine months, have been denied their basic human rights; and

(2) urges the Government to exert pressure on the terrorist organisations, their supporters and financial backers in the Gaza Strip and southern Lebanon, so that the missing soldiers are returned unharmed to their families and the country of Israel. (*Notice given 10 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)

# 22 MS A. E. BURKE: To move—That the House:

- (1) urges the Government to provide funding for:
  - (a) national epidemiological studies of all eating disorders to determine: (i) their prevalence, incidence and correlates, thereby enabling public health officials and professionals' organisations to coordinate the provision of strategies for prevention, treatment, training and research; and (ii) their natural history, morbidity and mortality;
  - (b) a national economic analysis of all eating disorders to determine the overall economic cost to Australian society, including lost and reduced productivity, missed working days, treatment, medication, hospitalisation and lives lost, in order to provide the cost/ benefits of prevention programs, early detection and robust treatment;
  - (c) research into current treatment, to ensure the utilisation of best-practice and for the dissemination of research outcomes among medical practitioners;
  - (d) increased services for the treatment of eating disorders, including the creation of specific eating disorder centres outside hospital settings for both in-patients and day patients, to provide specialist medical support, counselling and mental health services based on evaluated best-practice;
  - (e) the inclusion of the study of eating disorders in university medical courses, to ensure that all medical professionals receive comprehensive training in identification and treatment;
  - (f) the development of evidence-based prevention programs in school, community and home settings to reduce the risk factors associated with eating disorders and to promote healthy body image and positive self-esteem; and
- (2) calls on the Government, together with State Governments:
  - (a) to convene a national forum on body image, which draws together the media, fashion and advertising industries, medical professionals and school and community groups and acts to develop strategies for addressing the body image crisis; and
  - (b) to develop a media code of conduct on body image in consultation with the media, that will, among other things, require the classification of 'pro-ana' websites so that they can be banned or filtered out. (*Notice given 21 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)
- 23 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To move—That the 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;
  - (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 22 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

## 24 MR RIPOLL: To move—That the House:

- (1) notes that, since becoming a member of the World Trade Organisation, Vietnam has enjoyed an increase of US\$ 450 in income per capita, the incidence of poverty has been halved and external debt reduced from 191 per cent to 33 per cent of Gross National Income between 1993 and 2007;
- (2) urges Vietnam to maintain its efforts for economic reform and to ensure that growth is accompanied by political and religious reform;

- (3) notes the Vietnamese Government's ratification of the International Convention on Civil and Political Rights; and
- (4) calls on the Government to:
  - (a) express concern over the suppression of Block 8406, the Progressive Party, the Vietnamese Labour movement and other organisations as contrary to the principles of the above mentioned charter;
  - (b) express concern over the detention of the Rev. Nguyen Van Ly, journalist Nguyen Vu Binh, human rights lawyers Nguyen Van Dai and Le Thi Cong Nhan and other activists as contrary to the principles of the above mentioned charter; and
  - (c) assist Vietnam to meet its obligations to pursue and promote human rights as a nominee for the non permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council for the 2008-2009 biennium;
- (5) notes the statement by the White House Press Secretary on 11 May 2007 in support of the peaceful expression of political thought in Vietnam; and
- (6) notes the resolution put before the United States Congress by Congressman Chris Smith to release the above-mentioned political prisoners and prisoners of conscience and further promote the practice of religious freedom in Vietnam. (*Notice given 24 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)
- 25 **MR EDWARDS:** To move—That the House notes that the most common disorder in the range of muscular dystrophies is Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) and calls on the House to support:
  - (1) higher Federal and State funding of research so that scientists can continue to make a major contribution to international research on DMD;
  - (2) greater professional representation in the Federal Health Department to raise the national profile of DMD on boys and their families;
  - (3) greater incentives for more therapists and clinicians to engage in neuromuscular paediatrics, based on interdisciplinary care in medical intervention which has already proved beneficial in extending life and improved quality of life;
  - (4) recognition that full genetic sequencing for many ambiguous diagnoses is required in order to determine the exact mutation and which of pending treatments will be effective. Also recognise the need for a national registry as part of a global database; and
  - (5) the need for worthwhile subsidies to complement night ventilation equipment such as cough assistance machines as these are proven to improve quality of life for sufferers of DMD. (Notice given 29 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

# 26 MR MCCLELLAND: To move—That the House:

- (1) notes that:
  - (a) six of the nine young Australian citizens arrested in Denpasar, Bali, Indonesia and charged with drug-related offences on 17 April 2006 have now been sentenced to death by the Indonesian Supreme Court;
  - (b) four of those Australian citizens have been sentenced to death by the Indonesian Supreme Court, even though they were sentenced only to terms of imprisonment by lower courts and the prosecution did not seek the imposition of the death penalty at their trial or on appeal;
  - (c) the right to life is a fundamental human right recognised in the *Universal Declaration of Human Rights* (1948) and the *International Covenant of Civil and Political Rights* (1966);
  - (d) the Australian Parliament passed the *Death Penalty Abolition Act 1973*, which was assented to by the Governor-General on 18 September 1973;
  - (e) Australia is party to the Second Optional Protocol to the *International Convention of Civil and Political Rights* aiming at the abolition of the death penalty;
  - (f) Article 28 A of the Indonesian Constitution recognises the right to life; and
  - (g) there may be further extraordinary judicial review proceedings and a constitutional challenge brought in the courts of Indonesia by the six Australian citizens; and
- (2) records:
  - (a) its opposition to the imposition of the death penalty on any Australian citizen;
  - (b) its abhorrence of all drug-related crime and the importance of international police cooperation in the detection of illicit drug-related crime;

- (c) the importance to Australia of its continuing excellent relationship with our near neighbour, the Republic of Indonesia; and
- (d) its expectation and confidence that all remaining legal process in Indonesia involving the six condemned Australian citizens will be fair and impartial; and
- (3) accordingly requests:
  - (a) that the President and the people of Indonesia note and understand Australia's position strongly opposing the imposition of the death penalty; and
  - (b) in the event that the remaining legal process fails, that the President of Indonesia extend clemency to the six young Australians sentenced to death and that he commute their sentences. (Notice given 29 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

#### 27 MR MCCLELLAND: To move—That the House:

- (1) notes:
  - (a) the vital role that ADF personnel played in enforcing the Armistice for the Korean War, between 28 July 1953 and 19 April 1956;
  - (b) the professionalism and courage displayed by those personnel in dangerous circumstances, promoting the furtherance of Australia's national interest;
  - (c) the findings of the Post-Armistice Korean Service Review (the Review), which stated under Recommendations 7B and 7C that veterans of this service should be awarded the Australian General Service Medal and Returned from Active Service Badge;
  - (d) the critical role that adequate recognition of service plays for the morale, retention rates and recruitment of current ADF personnel and the need to improve the transparency and reviewability of the medal system's rule-making, as acknowledged by Recommendation 8B of the Review; and
  - (e) the moral obligation of providing all veterans with the support and recognition they deserve for their service and sacrifice; and
- (2) calls on the Government to:
  - (a) adopt the recommendations of the Review to award the medals for Korean Post-Armistice Service; and
  - (b) give further consideration to Recommendations 8B and 8C of the Review, regarding improvements to the medal system. (*Notice given 29 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)
- 28 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To move—That the House, in recognising support by the Australian Government, maritime unions and ship owners 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 measures 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-of-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 31 May 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)

## 29 MS HALL: To move—That the House:

- (1) notes that in a world of great wealth, hundreds of millions of people experience terrible poverty and that:
  - (a) more than 800 million people are malnourished;
  - (b) 30,000 children die every day from preventable disease;
  - (c) 500 women die every day from treatable pregnancy-related complications; and
  - (d) more than one billion people live on less than one dollar per day; and further,

- (2) believes that Australia should make a greater commitment to the achievable targets set out in the Millennium Development Goals in an attempt to eliminate world poverty. (*Notice given 20 June 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)
- 30 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To move—That the House:
  - (1) notes that:
    - legal deposit is a statutory provision found in the legislation of most countries requiring producers of publications to deposit gratis copies of their works in libraries, usually the National Library;
    - (b) in Australia, the *Copyright Act 1968* requires Australian publishers to deposit one copy of every publication with the National Library of Australia;
    - (c) the *National Library Act 1960* mandates the National Library of Australia to develop and maintain a national collection of library material relating to Australia and the Australian people and that legal deposit is a major factor enabling the National Library to meet this requirement;
    - (d) legal deposit has ensured that an outstanding collection of Australian publications in print form has been acquired by the National Library on behalf of the nation;
    - (e) the National Library is seeking revision of the legal deposit section within the *Copyright Act* 1968 to encompass publications in non-print form due to the impact of new technologies and the Internet on the creation, publication and dissemination of information which has been profound in recent years;
    - (f) a significant amount of our documentary heritage is now published in electronic form and unless the National Library is given a mandate through legal deposit to collect non-print publications, many of these works will be lost to future generations, especially as many electronic works have a very short life-span on the Internet; and
    - (g) the National Library is collecting a very small proportion of Australian electronic publications, as this endeavour requires seeking permission on a publication-by-publication basis, which is very resource intensive and unsustainable into the future;
  - (2) calls on Government, as a matter of urgency, to legislate the extension of legal deposit to non-print publications, as such legislation is of strategic importance to the National Library's future collecting and preservation role; and
  - (3) recognises that other countries have already recognised this and legal deposit legislation has been amended in the United Kingdom, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, France, Japan and the Scandinavian countries. (*Notice given 20 June 2007. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)

# Orders of the day

- 1 GREAT BARRIER REEF MARINE PARK (PROTECTING THE GREAT BARRIER REEF FROM OIL DRILLING AND EXPLORATION) AMENDMENT BILL 2006 (Mr Albanese): Second reading (from 30 October 2006). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 13 August 2007.)
- 2 **WOMEN IN THE WORKFORCE:** Resumption of debate (from 30 October 2006—Mr Keenan, in continuation) on the motion of Ms Bird—That the House:
  - (1) recognises the damaging impact upon Australian working women as a result of the federal Government's WorkChoices legislation;
  - (2) recognises in particular the contribution Australian women make to workplaces and households across the country;
  - (3) takes immediate action to restore employment protection for women in the workforce;
  - (4) takes particular action to provide employment protection to women adversely affected by the WorkChoices legislation; and
  - (5) notes the Howard Government's agenda to reduce employment conditions and employment security for women in the workforce. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on 13 August 2007.*)
- 3 **SCHOOL CURRICULA:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 October 2006—Mr Hatton, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr M. D. Ferguson—That the House

- (1) notes as unacceptable Australia having eight different, and often inconsistent, sets of school curriculum;
- (2) calls on the Commonwealth to work cooperatively with the State and Territory governments for greater consistency in both school curricula and standards for every Australian school student; and
- (3) supports initiatives which will improve the education standards and accountability of educational authorities across the country, both government and non-government. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 13 August 2007.*)
- 4 **ANAPHYLAXIS:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 October 2006—Dr Washer*) on the motion of Ms A. E. Burke—That this House:
  - (1) notes that it is estimated that anaphylaxis affects up to 380,000 Australians who experience a food allergy, 5-8 percent of whom are children;
  - (2) recognises that tragically, three Australian students died between March 2002 and April 2003 during school hours as a result of an anaphylactic reaction;
  - (3) acknowledges that a simple medical treatment is all that is needed to treat an anaphylactic reaction, prevent loss of life and provide the necessary time to transport the victim to hospital for further medical treatment; and
  - (4) asks that the Government introduces legislation, devised in a COAG capacity, to ensure all preschools, primary and secondary schools:
    - (a) have necessary policies and procedures to provide effective response to a student who experiences an anaphylactic reaction;
    - (b) include policies that reduce the exposure to causative agents in the classroom environment;
    - (c) ensure staff members are appropriately trained to support life in the event of an anaphylactic reaction; and
    - (d) develop an individual action plan for each student that has an anaphylactic allergy that comprises treatment plans from the student's physician. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 13 August 2007.*)
- 5 **CARERS' WEEK:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 October 2006—Mr Georganas*) on the motion of Mr Baker—That the House:
  - (1) notes that 15-21 October is Carers' Week;
  - (2) notes that the theme of this year's Carers' Week is "Anyone, Anytime", the objective of which is identifying carers and empowering them to access support services;
  - (3) recognises that there are approximately 2.6 million carers in Australia who provide unpaid help and assistance to a relative or friend, who could not otherwise manage because of disability, mental illness, chronic condition or frailty;
  - (4) notes that almost everyone will provide care at some time during their life;
  - (5) notes that around 1.2 billion hours of informal care are currently provided by family carers (as recently found by Access Economics in its report *Economic Value of Informal Care*);
  - (6) acknowledges the enormous contribution made by carers to Australian society, often at great personal cost:
  - (7) recognises the social and economic value of carers to the community; and
  - (8) calls on all levels of government, businesses and schools to consider adopting carer-friendly work practices and learning environments. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 13 August 2007.*)
- 6 **EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS IN RURAL AND REGIONAL AUSTRALIA:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 November 2006—Mrs Hull*) on the motion of Mr B. P. O'Connor—That the House:
  - (1) recognises the enormous hurt to Australian working men and women owing to the enactment of the WorkChoices legislation;
  - (2) recognises the extraordinary contribution of Australian rural and regional workers to their communities and the national economy;
  - (3) recognises the particular damage to employment conditions and employment prospects in rural and regional Australia;
  - (4) takes immediate action to restore protection for employment conditions and employment prospects in rural and regional Australia; and

- (5) takes note of the Howard Government's agenda to remove employment conditions and employment security, particularly in regional and rural Australia. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 13 August 2007.*)
- 7 **IRAQ:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 November 2006—Mr Scott, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Johnson—That the House supports the Australian Government's policy of:
  - (1) remaining unequivocally committed to the Iraqi people's aspirations to be a democratic and free society, with the continuing presence of Australian Defence Force personnel; and
  - (2) standing completely resolute against non-state actors determined to commit (directly or indirectly) acts of terror and violence against free peoples and free societies. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 13 August 2007.*)
- 8 **EATING DISORDERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 November 2006—Jackie Kelly*) on the motion of Ms A. E. Burke—That the House:
  - (1) notes that:
    - (a) eating disorders—anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, binge eating disorder and related disorders—are not illnesses of choice, but rather life-threatening mental disorders;
    - (b) anorexia is the third most prevalent chronic illness in adolescent girls after obesity and asthma and has one of the highest mortality rates of any psychiatric disorder;
    - (c) one in 20 Australian women has admitted to having suffered an eating disorder; and
    - (d) that dieting is the greatest risk factor for the development of an eating disorder;
  - (2) expresses serious concern about recent reports that eating disorders are on the increase, especially among school-aged children;
  - (3) condemns the lack of government funding for the prevention and treatment of eating disorders; and
  - (4) urges the Government to:
    - (a) convene a national summit on body image to develop a national code of conduct to ensure the media, fashion industry and advertisers portray a healthy and diverse range of men and women; and
    - (b) become a signatory to the Worldwide Charter for Action on Eating Disorders, which calls on those responsible for policy to educate and inform the community with programs that:
      - (i) de-stigmatise eating disorders and raise awareness of the causes of eating disorders;
      - (ii) increase public awareness of the signs and symptoms of eating disorders;
      - (iii) make available comprehensive information about eating disorder services and resources;
      - (iv) connect with the media to provide accurate information on eating disorders and to help shift the culture's perspective on body image issues and weight and food issues;
      - (v) develop and implement effective prevention programs targeting schools and universities;
      - (vi) educate and train health care practitioners at all levels in the recognition and treatment of eating disorders to improve the quality of care;
      - (vii) provide sufficient specialist services based on regional need;
      - (viii) provide people with access to fully-funded, specialised treatment and care; and
        - (ix) fund research into eating disorders. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 13 August 2007.)
- 9 **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 November 2006—Mr Emerson*) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House:
  - (1) recognises that:
    - (a) 23 percent of women who have ever been married or in a de facto relationship have experienced violence by a partner at some time during the relationship;
    - (b) the immediate impacts for children of victims include emotional and behavioural problems, lost school time, poor school performance, adjustment and relationship problems;
    - (c) child abuse is more likely to occur in families experiencing domestic violence; and
    - (d) children of victims are also at risk of continuing the violence with their own children and partners and are at heightened risk of alcohol and drug abuse and delinquency later in life;
  - (2) also recognises that:

- (a) the social, health and psychological consequences of domestic violence have far-reaching and longstanding negative impacts on families who suffer from domestic violence and on the community as a whole; and
- (b) there is no excuse for violence and abuse;
- (3) calls on the Government to:
  - (a) establish a National Domestic Violence Death Review Board;
  - (b) establish a National Committee on Violence Against Women; and
  - (c) increase efforts in the area of primary prevention; and
- (4) calls, on a bipartisan level, for a more coordinated and sustained approach to be undertaken by all levels of government in the area of domestic violence. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 13 August 2007.*)
- 10 VIETNAM: Resumption of debate (from 4 December 2006) on the motion of Mr Cadman—
  - (1) notes the maturing relationship between Vietnam and Australia, the high-level contacts between Prime Ministers, Australia's development cooperation program of approximately \$81 million per year and the strong people-to-people links;
  - (2) notes continuing international concern about human rights issues in Vietnam, including gaoling, administrative detention and harassment of human rights activists for their advocacy of democracy and religious freedom;
  - (3) notes the importance of addressing the cases of individuals such as The Most Venerable Thich Quang Do and Thich Huyen Quang, Hoa Hao Elder Mr Le Quang Liem, Pastor Nguyen Cong Chinh, Dr Pham Hong Son, journalists Nguyen Khac Toan and Hguyen Vu Binh and many ethnic Montagnard people such as Siu Boch, A Brih and Y Tim Bya;
  - (4) calls on the Vietnamese Government to observe its international obligations on human rights, including the provision of free and fair elections; and
  - (5) notes the Australian Government's active support for, and promotion of, democratic freedoms and human rights in Vietnam, including through the annual human rights dialogue and other cooperation programs, and encourages the Government to continue these 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 13 August 2007.*)
- 11 YOUNG WORKERS: Resumption of debate (from 4 December 2006) on the motion of Ms K. M. Ellis—
  - (1) notes the detrimental impact that the Howard Government's WorkChoices legislation is having on young workers across Australia;
  - (2) expresses deep concern over the number of teenagers who now find themselves employed under the Howard Government's workplace agreements; and
  - (3) takes immediate action to restore employment protections for the 2006 graduates from Australian high schools, many of whom are entering the workforce for the first time upon their graduation and are at risk of being exploited under these new laws. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 12 **AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT AND AVIATION NOISE OMBUDSMAN BILL 2007** (*Mr Georganas*): Second reading (*from 12 February 2007*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007*.)
- 13 **HOMELESSNESS AND THE SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 February 2007*) on the motion of Ms George—That the House:
  - (1) notes that:
    - (a) on nearly any night there are around 100,000 Australians who are homeless and that nearly half of these people are under 25, with young people aged 12-18 making up a quarter of all those who are homeless; and
    - (b) the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) is often the last resort for people who find themselves without, or at risk of being without, safe, secure or adequate housing;
  - (2) expresses concern at the recent findings of the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW), which show that:
    - (a) SAAP is able to accommodate 12,335 people on an average day;

- (b) SAAP is unable to accommodate all who request immediate accommodation, with an estimated 304 people (193 adults and unaccompanied children and 111 accompanying children) turned away on an average day;
- (c) over half (56 per cent) of the people making valid requests for immediate accommodation on any given day were turned away;
- (d) family groups had more difficulty in obtaining SAAP than individuals; and
- (e) a large proportion of the homeless population do not receive SAAP accommodation; and
- (3) urges the Government to:
  - (a) recognise the immense pressure under which SAAP funded services are operating, with reduced real funding levels under the current agreement;
  - (b) provide additional funding to meet unmet demand; and
  - (c) develop strategies and work co-operatively with other levels of government to reduce homelessness. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 14 AUSTRALIAN AID PROGRAM: Resumption of debate (from 12 February 2007—Ms Plibersek, in continuation) on the motion of Mrs Hull—That the House:
  - supports the Australian aid program's focus on eradication of poverty and corruption in developing countries;
  - (2) supports the Australian aid program's efforts to overcome the impact of poverty and corruption and to strengthen democratic institutions by promotion of good governance with specific reference to women and children in developing countries;
  - (3) calls on the Parliament to encourage the Australian aid program to promote the human rights of, and the elimination of discrimination against, women and children in developing countries, in activities that:
    - (a) support the elimination of gender-based discrimination—such as land, inheritance and property rights, family law, gender-based violence and discrimination in employment; and
    - (b) support equitable access (including legal representation) for women and children to the legal system. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 15 **DAVID HICKS:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 February 2007*) on the motion of Ms Vamvakinou—That the House:
  - (1) acknowledges that the ongoing detention without trial of David Hicks is inconsistent with both international and Australian legal standards (including the principle of *habeas corpus*) and contravenes the individual rights and protections for which these standards provide;
  - (2) acknowledges that the newly revised rules for the US Military Commissions under which David Hicks is to be tried, but under which no US citizen can or will be tried, remain in breach of both the Geneva Conventions and the Australian Criminal Code and for this reason, do not constitute a fair trial but instead set an unacceptable precedent for the detention and trial of an Australian citizen overseas, especially by sanctioning the use of hearsay evidence and evidence obtained by coercion and by not permitting the accused to be privy to all the evidence;
  - (3) notes that one of the charges laid against David Hicks relies on the use of retrospective legislation, while the Government asserts that he cannot be tried in Australia because it would require retrospective legislation;
  - (4) calls for the immediate repatriation of David Hicks to Australia to face trial under Australian law;
  - (5) urges members of the United States Congress to help facilitate David Hicks' repatriation to Australia by passing a resolution in Congress to this effect;
  - (6) calls on the Government to release advice provided by the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions concerning the viability of charging David Hicks in Australia;
  - (7) acknowledges that we in this place have a responsibility to monitor and protect the welfare and rights of Australian citizens imprisoned overseas; and for this reason:
  - (8) calls for an immediate and independent assessment of the mental and physical health of David Hicks by relevant experts to ascertain the validity of allegations made concerning the deteriorating well being of David Hicks;

- (9) seeks concrete assurances that any such assessment will not jeopardise or in any way prejudice the treatment of David Hicks whilst he is in Guantanamo Bay; and
- (10) acknowledges that the ongoing imprisonment of David Hicks, and the denial of his basic rights, runs counter to the principles of freedom and democracy in the name of which the 'war against terror' is being fought, and threatens to undermine the international effort to combat terrorism. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)
- 16 **HUMAN RIGHTS IN BURMA:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 February 2007—Mr L. D. T. Ferguson*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House:
  - (1) notes that Nobel Peace Prize winner Aung San Suu Kyi, General Secretary of the National League for Democracy in Burma:
    - (a) remains under house arrest and incommunicado;
    - (b) has been in prison or under house arrest for 11 of the past 17 years; and
    - (c) is only one of over 1,100 political prisoners in Burma;
  - (2) calls on the State Peace and Development Council of Burma to:
    - (a) allow its citizens to peacefully exercise their rights to freedom of association and assembly; and
    - (b) immediately and unconditionally release all people who have been arrested for the peaceful exercise of these rights;
  - (3) notes that on 12 January 2007, nine out of 15 countries in the UN Security Council voted in support of a non-punitive resolution on Burma and in debate on the resolution all Council members registered their concern about the situation there; and
  - (4) expresses its concern regarding the 500,000 displaced people in Burma and the further 150,000 displaced people on the Thai border in refugee camps. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 17 **AGED CARE:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 February 2007—Ms Hall*) on the motion of Mr Ticehurst—That the House:
  - (1) recognises the pressures of an ageing population;
  - (2) acknowledges the enormous contribution made by senior citizens throughout their working lives;
  - (3) recognises the need to provide quality care for the frail aged in our community;
  - (4) welcomes the progress made in this area in recent years; and
  - (5) welcomes the Government's recently announced package of further measures to help provide community-based and residential care for our frail aged. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 18 **DENTAL SERVICES:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 February 2007—Mr Scott*) on the motion of Mrs Elliot—That the House:
  - (1) notes that:
    - (a) since the abolition of the Commonwealth Dental Program, waiting lists for dental services have increased dramatically;
    - (b) an increasing number of Australians are unable to afford private dental treatment and are waiting years for dental care; and
    - (c) poor dental health can contribute to a deterioration in overall health; and
  - (2) calls on the Government to:
    - (a) acknowledge that the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Health and Ageing inquiry of November 2006, *The Blame Game*, recommended that the Federal Government should fund dental services:
    - (b) reinstate a Commonwealth dental program; and
    - (c) end the 'Blame Game' and work cooperatively with the States and Territories to ensure that services are delivered. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 19 **HOME OWNERSHIP:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 February 2007—Mr Murphy*) on the motion of Mr Cadman—That the House condemns the New South Wales Government for presiding over the highest amount of State and local government taxes and charges levied on the cost of a new home and for having the largest shortfall of broad hectare land provision of any State or Territory—putting the dream of home

- ownership out of the reach of New South Wales families (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 20 **CHILDCARE:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 February 2007—Mrs B. K. Bishop*) on the motion of Ms K. M. Ellis—That the House:
  - (1) supports a universal right to early learning for all Australian four-year-olds through the introduction of an entitlement to 15 hours of play-based learning per week, for a minimum of forty weeks per year, delivered by a qualified teacher;
  - (2) is committed to providing extra financial assistance to build additional childcare centres on primary school grounds and other community land in partnership with childcare providers;
  - (3) calls on the Government to increase the number of fully-funded university places in early childhood education to address the shortage of childcare provision across Australia;
  - (4) calls on the Government to introduce a 50 per cent HECS remission for 10,000 early childhood graduates working in areas of need;
  - (5) calls on the Government to eliminate TAFE fees for childcare trainees; and
  - (6) supports the transfer of responsibility for early childhood education and childcare into the Commonwealth Department of Education, Science and Training with a new Office of Early Childhood Education. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 21 **CLOUD SEEDING:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 March 2007—Mr Windsor*) on the motion of Mr Forrest—That the House:
  - (1) notes the renewed interest being taken in the potential for cloud seeding to enhance precipitation across Australia;
  - (2) acknowledges that Snowy Hydro has rolled out an extensive cloud seeding operation over the past three winters for snow fall enhancement and that Hydro Tasmania has been undertaking cloud seeding precipitation enhancement operations for several decades;
  - (3) notes that many countries around the world continue to invest heavily in cloud seeding research, whilst in Australia it has not been enthusiastically embraced by the scientific community; and
  - (4) calls for the establishment of an Australian Cooperative Research Centre for weather modification to follow similar models in other countries. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)
- 22 **HUMAN RIGHTS IN ZIMBABWE:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 March 2007—Mr Slipper*) on the motion of Ms George—That the House:
  - (1) condemns the Mugabe Government in Zimbabwe for the brutal bashings in police custody of Morgan Tsvangirai and other leaders and supporters of the Opposition Party, the Movement for Democratic Change (MDC);
  - (2) expresses concern at the ongoing threat of violence as evidenced by the additional vicious beating of MP Nelson Chamisa in recent days;
  - (3) notes that the Mugabe Government has clearly abandoned the rule of law and tolerates no dissent;
  - (4) expresses its concern for the safety of former Australian passport holder Mrs Sekai Holland and her Australian husband Jim Holland, and urges the Australian Government to use its best endeavours to intervene to have Mrs Holland released from custody and safely transported out of Zimbabwe for urgent medical attention; and
  - (5) calls on the Australian Government to have the Mugabe regime's actions brought before the UN Security Council and if appropriate, the International Criminal Court, and calls on Zimbabwe's neighbours, particularly South Africa, to take action in support of human rights in Zimbabwe. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 23 **QUEENSLAND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 March 2007—Mr Emerson*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Hardgrave—That the House:
  - (1) acknowledges that South East Queensland has the highest growth in traffic congestion of any region in Australia;
  - (2) also acknowledges that the Australian Government has allocated to Queensland authorities over \$3 billion in funding under AusLink Round 1 and \$18 billion through other road related programs since 1996;

- (3) expresses its concern for the lack of commitment by Queensland authorities in progressing the work financed by the Australian Government and the redirection of funds away from the authorised projects;
- (4) further expresses its concern at the unreliable project costing provided by the Queensland Government for infrastructure projects and the failure of the Queensland Government to follow the example of other State governments to value-add to the Commonwealth contribution to national highway projects with state contributions; and
- (5) notes the Australian Labor Party plan to only widen the existing Ipswich Motorway to six lanes and keep trucks on the Brisbane Urban Corridor while the Liberals want a solution to interstate transport needs, which will take trucks off the Brisbane Urban Corridor and provide ten lanes of traffic between Brisbane and Ipswich. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 24 TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (HORTICULTURAL CODE OF CONDUCT) BILL 2007 (Mr Katter): Second reading (from 21 May 2007). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 25 **EXPORTS:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 May 2007—Mr Forrest*) on the motion of Mr Crean— That the House:
  - (1) notes that:
    - (a) strong and sustained export growth is essential for long-term economic prosperity and for providing more rewarding, well-paid jobs;
    - (b) despite the resources boom, Australia has been seriously and consistently underperforming in relation to its export sector;
    - (c) Australia's average annual export growth rate over the past ten years is half that recorded under Labor;
    - (d) Australia has now experienced 60 consecutive monthly trade deficits—the longest period of trade deficit on record;
    - (e) the Government has failed to double the number of exporters by 2006, as it said it would; and
    - (f) at the same time, the Government has halved the level of financial assistance to Australian exporters; and
  - (2) calls on the Government to urgently adopt a comprehensive trade strategy to address the underperformance of Australia's exports. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 26 **GREEN ROOFS:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 May 2007—Mr Jenkins*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Hardgrave—That the House:
  - (1) acknowledges that for the first time, Green Roofs for Healthy Australian Cities has been discussed at a conference held in Brisbane;
  - (2) notes that there are 15 green roof infrastructure associations representing urban planners, educators, horticulturalists, engineers and architects, which have now formed the World Green Roof Infrastructure Network;
  - (3) notes that green roofs provide a range of benefits to help counter climate change through thermal insulation, storm-water management that causes lower run-off at peak times, reduction of ambient temperatures in cities, air and water cleaning effects, direct energy savings for government, visual beauty, habitat creation, long roof life and noise insulation;
  - (4) notes that green roof spaces allow food to be grown through hydroponic, aquaculture, aquaponics, vermiculture and insect culture, providing additional revenues for building owners and tenants; and
  - (5) encourages businesses and local authorities to seek the triple bottom line from environmental practices, as exemplified by the Ford Rouge Center in Dearborn, Michigan, USA. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 27 **MICROCREDIT:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 May 2007—Mr Hartsuyker*) on the motion of Mr Quick—That the House:
  - (1) notes that:
    - (a) microcredit is a proven means of eradicating poverty and that research by the World Bank in 1998 found that 40 per cent of loan borrowers had moved out of poverty after four years;

- (b) at the Microcredit Summit in Halifax, Canada in 2006, Australia endorsed the goal of having 175 million families receiving microcredit by 2015;
- (c) if the Microcredit Summit goal were achieved, then about half the first goal of the Millennium Development Goals, which is to halve the number of people who live on less than a dollar a day, would be met;
- (d) Australia spent \$14.5 million on microcredit in its overseas aid program in the 2005-2006 financial year, which was less than one per cent of the overseas aid budget; and
- (e) the USA, which has funded microcredit longer than most countries, has established a current benchmark level of 1.25 per cent of the aid budget for microcredit spending; and
- (2) urges the Australian Government to follow through with its endorsement of the 2006 Microcredit Summit Goal with an increase in funding of microcredit to \$40 million per year, or a level of 1.25 per cent of the aid budget, starting with the forthcoming Budget. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007*.)
- 28 **SURF LIFESAVERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 May 2007—Ms Livermore*) on the motion of Mr Ciobo—That the House:
  - (1) acknowledges that 2007 has been chosen by the Australian Government as the Year of the Surf Lifesaver to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Surf Life Saving in Australia;
  - (2) notes the fundamental role surf lifesavers play in keeping Australia's beaches safe and the 500,000 lives that have been saved on Australian beaches by our surf lifesavers over the past 100 years;
  - (3) commends the volunteering efforts of surf lifesavers who dedicate their time to help others and save lives;
  - (4) pays tribute to the surf lifesaving movement, which is the largest volunteer organisation of its kind in the country, consisting of 113,000 members, including 34,000 who actively patrol Australia's beaches; and
  - (5) acknowledges the integral role of the Australian Government within Surf Life Saving Australia to provide a safe beach and aquatic environment. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 29 AVOIDING DANGEROUS CLIMATE CHANGE (KYOTO PROTOCOL RATIFICATION) BILL 2007 (Mr Garrett): Second reading (from 28 May 2007). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 30 **SMALL BUSINESS:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 May 2007*) on the motion of Mrs Gash—That the House:
  - (1) notes the contribution of small business to regional economies;
  - (2) acknowledges that small, micro businesses employ many people and are worthy of protection against predatory behaviour by conglomerates, including organised trade unions;
  - (3) acknowledges the role small, family-owned businesses play in creating employment opportunities in smaller communities;
  - (4) recognises the disadvantages faced by small business operators in competing against major chains in regional areas; and
  - (5) calls on the Government to take all steps necessary to ensure that small business in Australia remains viable in the face of the many threats confronting small business operators. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)
- 31 **REMOVAL OF INDIGENOUS CHILDREN:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 May 2007—Mr Slipper*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Ms Macklin—
  - (1) notes that
    - (a) 26 May marks the tenth anniversary of the *Bringing Them Home* report, which documented the systematic removal of up to 100,000 indigenous children from their families between 1910 and the 1970s, and its serious, and ongoing impact;
    - (b) the Howard Government's decision not to apologise for this systematic removal has compounded the distress of survivors and held us all back from achieving genuine reconciliation;
    - (c) research subsequent to the report has shown that indigenous children who were removed:

- (i) were more likely to have been victims of family violence (38 per cent compared to the figure of 23 per cent for the broader indigenous population);
- (ii) were 2.3 times more likely to experience clinical depression and behavioural difficulties;
- (iii) had double the rate of both alcohol and other drug use than other indigenous children; and
- (iv) were more likely to end up in jail; and
- (d) a recent Urbis Keys Young report commissioned by the Government described the Government's response to date as "poorly coordinated and insufficiently targeted" and also revealed that some Bringing Them Home and Link-Up counsellors are struggling to cope with up to more than 80 clients each, compared with the average caseload of 25 for a mental health worker in mainstream services; and
- (2) calls on the Government to:
  - (a) apologise for past policies and practices that resulted in the systematic and forced removal of indigenous children from their families; and
  - (b) immediately implement measures to address the continuing adverse social, physical and mental health outcomes impacting on the Stolen Generation and subsequent generations. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)
- 32 **ROAD ACCIDENTS:** Resumption of debate (from 28 May 2007—Ms Hall, in continuation) on the motion of Mr Johnson—
  - (1) recognise the tragic loss of 1,605 lives on our roads in 2006, including 336 in Queensland;
  - (2) recognise that road crashes remain the biggest killer of young Australians aged 16 to 25 and that in any given year, people aged between 18 and 24 are twice as likely to die in road smashes than other drivers;
  - (3) also recognise that researchers at the University of Queensland have calculated that the death and injury from road accidents costs the national economy some \$17 billion a year, or the equivalent of 2.3 per cent of Australia's gross national income; and
  - (4) commend the Government for extending the AusLink Black Spot program, which has already eliminated some 700 dangerous crash sites in Queensland alone, for a further two years, from 2006-07 to 2007-08, at a cost of \$90 million. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 33 **EDUCATION AND SKILLS:** Resumption of debate (*from 28 May 2007—Mr Henry*, *in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Georganas—
  - (1) recognises that the Federal Government needs to invest in education and improving the skills of Australians to ensure that all students have the opportunity to complete Year 12 at high school and ensure that they have appropriate entry-level training for their chosen trade or vocation; and
  - (2) condemns the failure of the Government to invest in education and skills for Australia's future, particularly when the commodity boom moderates. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.*)
- 34 **PRIVACY PROTECTION FOR OFF-SHORING BILL 2007** (Ms A. E. Burke): Second reading (from 18 June 2007). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 35 **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS AMENDMENT BILL 2007** (Mr Wilkie): Second reading (from 18 June 2007). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 36 LATE PAYMENT OF GOVERNMENT DEBTS (INTEREST) BILL 2007 (Mr Emerson): Second reading (from 18 June 2007). (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 37 **FREE TRADE:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 June 2007—Mr Laming, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Johnson—That the House:
  - (1) recognises the importance of globalisation and open markets to continuing Australia's record of 16 years uninterrupted economic growth; and
  - (2) calls on the Australian Government to continue promoting the benefits of free trade, which include alleviating global poverty, especially in developing countries. (*Order of the day will be removed from*

the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

- 38 AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION AND CONSUMER COMMISSION AND THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY: Resumption of debate (*from 18 June 2007*) on the motion of Mr Bowen—That the House:
  - (1) notes
    - (a) the Government's failure to direct the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) to formally monitor the prices, costs or profits in the petroleum industry;
    - (b) the comments made by Mr Brian Cassidy, Chief Executive Officer of the ACCC, to Senate Estimates that the ACCC would need formal price monitoring powers to gain access to information from the oil companies to adequately monitor profits, margins and costs; and
    - (c) that Labor's announcement to appoint a national Petroleum Commissioner, with the sole responsibility to formally monitor and investigate within the ACCC would ensure Australian motorists are getting a fair go at the bowser; and
  - (2) calls on the Government to provide the ACCC with a reference under section 95ZE of the *Trade Practices Act 1974* to formally monitor fuel process in 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 13 August 2007.)*
- 39 **HUMAN RIGHTS IN ZIMBABWE:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 June 2007*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House:
  - (1) notes:
    - (a) the recent police violence and systematic harassment and intimidation against lawyers representing activists from the Zimbabwean political opposition parties;
    - (b) specifically, the incident of 8 May, when police violently stopped a demonstration organised by the Law Society of Zimbabwe to protest against the unlawful arrest and ill-treatment of lawyers Alec Muchadehama and Andrew Makoni; and
    - (c) the need for an immediate independent investigation into the alleged misconduct of police officers from the Criminal Investigations Department (CID) Law and Order Section at Harare Central Police Station in relation to the incident;
  - (2) recommends, as a first step to address the human rights situation, the Government of Zimbabwe to fully implement the recommendations of the African Commission on Human and People's Rights in the 2002 Fact Finding Mission Report; and
  - (3) condemns the Zimbabwe regime for threats made against church leaders and strongly urges the regime to uphold religious freedom and freedom of expression. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

**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**

### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

# Orders of the day

- 1 PROCEDURE COMMITTEE—REPORT—MEDIA COVERAGE OF HOUSE PROCEEDINGS, INCLUDING THE CHAMBER, MAIN COMMITTEE AND COMMITTEES—SPEAKER'S RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 26 March 2007—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mr Robb—That the House take note of the document.
- 2 REPORT OF THE INQUIRY INTO CERTAIN AUSTRALIAN COMPANIES IN RELATION TO THE UN OIL-FOR-FOOD PROGRAMME—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENTS: Resumption of debate (from 29 November 2006—Mr B. P. O'Connor) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 3 STANDING COMMITTEE ON FAMILY AND HUMAN SERVICES—OVERSEAS ADOPTION IN AUSTRALIA—REPORT ON THE INQUIRY INTO ADOPTION OF CHILDREN FROM OVERSEAS—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 27 November 2006—Mr McMullan) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 4 SKILLS FOR THE FUTURE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 30 October 2006—Mr Wilkie) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 5 ENERGY INITIATIVES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 September 2006—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 6 **DEATH OF PETER BROCK AM—STATEMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF STATEMENTS:** Resumption of debate (*from 16 October 2006—Mr Neville*) on the motion of Ms Gambaro.
- 7 AUSTRALIAN LAW REFORM COMMISSION—REPORT NO.104—FIGHTING WORDS: A REVIEW OF SEDITION LAWS IN AUSTRALIA—JULY 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 9 October 2006—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.

### COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS

## Orders of the day

- 1 COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—TUNING IN TO COMMUNITY BROADCASTING—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 20 June 2007) on the motion of Jackie Kelly—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 13 August 2007.)
- 2 ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—SERVICING OUR FUTURE: THE CURRENT AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS OF AUSTRALIA'S SERVICES EXPORT SECTOR—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 18 June 2007—Mr Baird) 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 8 sitting Mondays after13 August 2007.)
- 3 EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—CURRENT VACANCIES: WORKFORCE CHALLENENGES FACING THE AUSTRALIAN TOURISM SECTOR—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 18 June 2007—Dr Washer) on the motion of Mr Hardgrave—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 13 August 2007.)
- 4 ELECTORAL MATTERS—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—CIVICS AND ELECTORAL EDUCATION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 18 June 2007) on the motion of Mrs Mirabella—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 after13 August 2007.)

- 5 LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—THE LONG ROAD TO STATEHOOD: THE FEDERAL IMPLICATIONS OF STATEHOOD FOR THE NORTHERN TERRITORY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 May 2007—Mr Neville) 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 after13 August 2007.)
- 6 INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF THE RE-LISTING OF TANZIM QA'IDAT AL-JIHAD FI BILAD AL-RAFIDAYN (THE AL-ZARQAWI NETWORK) AS A TERRORIST ORGANISATION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 28 May 2007—Mr Neville) 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 6 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 7 AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—THE MANUFACTURE, IMPORTATION AND USE OF AMPHETAMINES AND OTHER SYNTHETIC DRUGS (AOSD) IN AUSTRALIA—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 26 March 2007—Mrs Gash) 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 5 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 8 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—REVIEW OF AUSTRALIA'S RELATIONSHIP WITH MALAYSIA—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 26 March 2007) 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 13 August 2007.)
- 9 EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—TOP OF THE CLASS: REPORT OF THE INQUIRY INTO TEACHER EDUCATION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 26 February 2007—Ms Hall) on the motion of Mr Hartsuyker—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 13 August 2007.)
- 10 AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—SKILLS: RURAL AUSTRALIA'S NEEDS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 26 February 2007—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mr Schultz—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 13 August 2007.)
- 11 COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS—STANDING COMMITTEE—
  REPORT—COMMUNITY TELEVISION—OPTIONS FOR DIGITAL BROADCASTING—MOTION TO
  TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 February 2007—Mrs Gash) on the motion
  of Jackie Kelly—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 13 August 2007.)
- 12 FAMILY AND HUMAN SERVICES—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—BALANCING WORK AND FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 12 February 2006—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mrs B. K. Bishop—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 13 August 2007.)
- 13 PROCEDURE COMMITTEE—REPORT—ENCOURAGING AN INTERACTIVE CHAMBER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 February 2007—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the reports. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 14 PROCEDURE COMMITTEE—REPORT—MOTION TO SUSPEND STANDING ORDERS AND CONDEMN A MEMBER—REPORT ON EVENTS OF 10 OCTOBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 February 2007—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the reports. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 15 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT NO. 81: TREATIES TABLED ON 8 AUGUST 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 February 2007—Mr Neville) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

- 16 EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—EMPLOYMENT IN THE AUTOMOTIVE COMPONENT MANUFACTURING SECTOR—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 7 December 2006—Mr Randall) on the motion of Mr Barresi—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 13 August 2007.)
- 17 LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—THE HARMONISATION OF LEGAL SYSTEMS WITHIN AUSTRALIA AND BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 4 December 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 18 MIGRATION—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—THE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO NEW ZEALAND: AUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND COMMITTEE EXCHANGE PROGRAM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 4 December 2006—Mr Adams) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 19 INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—AUSTRALIA'S URANIUM—GREENHOUSE FRIENDLY FUEL FOR AN ENERGY HUNGRY WORLD—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 4 December 2006—Ms Hall) on the motion of Mr Prosser—That the House take note of the report. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless reaccorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 20 ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—REVIEW OF THE RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA ANNUAL REPORT 2005 (SECOND REPORT)—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 4 December 2006—Ms Hall) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 21 HEALTH AND AGEING—STANDING COMMITTEE—THE BLAME GAME—REPORT—THE INQUIRY INTO HEALTH FUNDING—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 4 December 2006—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mr Somlyay—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 13 August 2007.)
- 22 PROCEDURE COMMITTEE—REPORT—MAINTENANCE OF THE STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS: SECOND REPORT—REVIEW OF SESSIONAL ORDERS ADOPTED ON 17 MARCH 2005 AND 9 FEBRUARY 2006; AND OTHER MATTERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 27 November 2006—Mrs Gash) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 23 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT NO. 79: TREATIES TABLED ON 10 MAY (2), 5 AND 6 SEPTEMBER 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 30 October 2006—Mrs Gash) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 24 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT NO. 80: TREATIES TABLED ON 28 MARCH (4) AND 5 SEPTEMBER (2) 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 19 October 2006—Mr Neville) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 25 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT NO. 78: TREATY SCRUTINY: A TEN YEAR REVIEW—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 9 October 2006—Ms Hall) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 26 MIGRATION—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—NEGOTIATING THE MAZE: REVIEW OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR OVERSEAS SKILLS RECOGNITION, UPGRADING AND LICENSING—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 11 September 2006—Mr Neville) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 27 PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—LEARNING FROM OTHER PARLIAMENTS: STUDY PROGRAM 2006—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 4 September 2006—Mr C.P. Thompson) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 28 ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—THE REVIEW OF THE RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA AND PAYMENTS SYSTEM BOARD ANNUAL REPORTS 2005 (FIRST REPORT)—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 14 August 2006) on the motion of Mrs Gash—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 13 August 2007.)
- 29 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—AUSTRALIA'S RELATIONSHIP WITH THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 14 August 2006) on the motion of Mrs Gash—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 13 August 2007.)
- 30 CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY: MANAGING RISK AND CREATING VALUE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 14 August 2006) on the motion of Mrs Gash—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 13 August 2007.)
- 31 SCIENCE AND INNOVATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—PATHWAYS TO TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 19 June 2006—Mr Danby) on the motion of Mr Georgiou—That the House take note of the document. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 32 ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—IMPROVING THE SUPERANNUATION SAVINGS OF PEOPLE UNDER 40—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 19 June 2006—Mr Ticehurst) on the motion of Mr Georgiou—That the House take note of the document. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 33 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—REPORT—INQUIRY INTO THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS SERIES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 29 May 2006—Mr Neville) on the motion of Mrs Draper—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 13 August 2007.)
- 34 INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—REVIEW OF THE LISTING OF THE KURDISTAN WORKERS' PARTY (PKK)—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 29 May 2006—Mr Neville) 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 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)
- 35 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—VISIT TO AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCES DEPLOYED TO SUPPORT THE REHABILITATION OF IRAQ—22 TO 28 OCTOBER 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 22 May 2006—Mrs May) 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 13 August 2007.)
- 36 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—AUSTRALIA'S DEFENCE RELATION WITH THE UNITED STATES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT: Resumption of debate (from 22 May 2006—Mr Baird) 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 13 August 2007.)
- 37 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 22 May 2006) on the motion of Mr Melham—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 13 August 2007.)
- 38 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. (Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 13 August 2007.)

# **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.

### 17 November 2004

- 48 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Prime Minister—
  - (1) Did his Department receive a licence agreement for the Super Dome box at the 2000 Sydney Olympics; if so, what was the basis of the agreement.
  - (2) In addition to the \$850,000 for the cost of tickets to the Olympics for use by Government, the \$240,000 for use of a 20-seat box at Stadium Australia, and the \$120,000 for an 18-seat box at the Super Dome, what was the breakdown of other costs incurred by him and other Ministers when entertaining guests during the Olympic Games.
- 53 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Prime Minister—What was the total cost, including a breakdown of costs for travel, accommodation, security and other expenses, of the Prime Minister's visit to the United Kingdom in November 2003.

## 7 December 2004

- 345 MR MELHAM: To ask the Prime Minister—
  - (1) Is he aware of the arguments made by Sir David Smith in his submission to the Senate Legal and Constitutional References Committee inquiry into an Australian Republic and subsequently published in *Quadrant* (July-August 2004) that the Governor-General is Australia's Head of State.
  - (2) Is he aware that in an interview with Mr Bruce Stannard reported in the *Canberra Times* on 6 November 2004, the Governor-General, Major-General Michael Jeffery AC CVO MC (Retd), said "Her Majesty is Australia's Head of State" and that he was the representative of the Head of State.
  - (3) Is The Queen of Australia, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Australia's Head of State.

# 8 February 2005

- 507 **MS BIRD:** To ask the Treasurer—
  - (1) How many times has he visited the electoral division of (a) Cunningham, (b) Throsby, (c) Gilmore, (d) Hughes, and (e) Hume from 1996 to 2004.
  - (2) What were the dates and purposes of each of his visits to these electoral divisions.

# 9 February 2005

- 538 MR TANNER: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration—
  - (1) Of the Government's proposed \$500 million donation to assist Indonesian tsunami victims, what sum will be disbursed in (a) 2004-2005, (b) 2005-2006, (c) 2006-2007, (d) 2007-2008, and (e) 2008-2009.
  - (2) What sum in bilateral aid to Indonesia was projected in the (a) 2004-2005 Budget, and (b) Forward Estimates for (i) 2005-2006, (ii) 2006-2007, (iii) 2007-2008, and (iv) 2008-2009.
  - (3) Of the Government's proposed \$500 million concessional loans to assist Indonesian tsunami victims, what sum will be disbursed in (a) 2004-2005, (b) 2005-2006, (c) 2006-2007, (d) 2007-2008, and (e) 2008-2009.

(4) What rate of interest will apply to these loans and when will they fall due for repayment.

## 15 February 2005

### 586 MR MELHAM: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) When was (a) he and (b) the Governor-General first informed of the intention of the heir to the Australian throne, His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, to wed Mrs Parker Bowles.
- (2) By whom and through what channel was (a) he and (b) the Governor-General informed.

## 7 March 2005

#### 644 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 50 (*Hansard*, 16 February 2005, page 245) concerning the provision of wines and liquor for Kirribilli House and the Lodge, for each year since Mr Bourne was appointed (a) on what contractual basis has he been engaged and (b) what has been the cost to the Department.
- (2) What is the policy on the cellaring of wines.
- (3) What is the volume of alcoholic beverages held for (a) Kirribilli House and (b) the Lodge and what is its estimated value.

## 10 May 2005

### MR BOWEN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 1103 - 1120)—

- (1) What sum was spent on recruitment agencies in (a) 2001, (b) 2002, (c) 2003, and (d) 2004 by each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio.
- (2) Will the Minister provide a list of the recruitment agencies which are used by the department and agencies in the Minister's portfolio.

### 1139 MS BIRD: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) Has he agreed to require a Family Impact Statement for Cabinet submissions; if so, (i) what factors and issues will be considered in drafting Family Impact Statements and (ii) what definition, category and structure of 'family' will a Family Impact Statement include.
- (2) Which department or agency will be responsible for drafting a Family Impact Statement for Cabinet submissions.
- (3) Will the Family First Senator be privy to, or consulted on, the drafting of a Family Impact Statement.
- (4) Will the Family Impact Statement be incorporated in the Explanatory Memorandum of Bills before the House of Representatives; if not, why not.

### 11 May 2005

# 1253 MR MELHAM: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) What sum was spent by the Commonwealth Government on (a) travel, (b) accommodation, (c) security, and (d) all other expenses for his visits to (i) Santiago, Chile, to attend the annual Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation leaders' meeting on 18 November 2004, (ii) Vientiane, Laos, to attend the ASEAN-Australia and New Zealand Leaders' Summit on 30 November 2004, (iii) the World Economic Forum Annual Meeting in Davos, Switzerland, from 28 to 30 January 2005, Singapore on 1 to 2 February 2005 and Banda Aceh, Indonesia on 2 February 2005, (iv) New Zealand from 19 to 21 February 2005, and (v) China, Japan, Turkey and Greece from 18 to 29 April 2005.
- (2) Who accompanied him on each journey.

#### 1272 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) What revenue has the General Interest Charge raised each year since its introduction.
- (2) What sum has been (a) levied and (b) paid in penalties by tax payers associated with (i) mass marketing schemes and (ii) employee benefit arrangements.
- (3) How many small businesses (with annual turnover of less than \$1 million) have been in arrears with their GST payments in each quarter of each financial year since the introduction of the GST.
- (4) What was the average value of GST arrears in each quarter of each financial year since the introduction of the GST.

## 12 May 2005

#### 1325 MR MELHAM: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) In respect of the allocation in the 2005-2006 budget of \$7.7 million over four years from 2005–2006 and additional funding of \$7.3 million to be provided beyond the forward estimates to 2014–2015 to support the implementation of the ten-year Heritage Property Master Plan for the repair, maintenance and development of vice-regal properties, what are the main features of the Heritage Property Master Plan
- (2) What consultations took place with (a) the Official Establishments Trust and (b) the National Capital Authority in the course of the development of the Heritage Property Master Plan.
- (3) What specific works or programs are to be carried out under the Heritage Property Master Plan at (a) Government House, Yarralumla, and (b) Admiralty House, Kirribilli in (i) 2005-2006, (ii) 2006-2007, (iii) 2007-2008, and (iv) 2008-2009.
- (4) Is the Heritage Property Master Plan publicly available; if not, will the Prime Minister ask the Official Secretary to the Governor-General to make the plan available to the public via the Governor-General's website.

## 25 May 2005

### 1454 MR HAYES: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) How many times has he visited the electoral division of (a) Werriwa, (b) Fowler, (c) Hughes and (d) Macarthur from 1996 to 2004.
- (2) What was the timing and purpose of each visit.

### 14 June 2005

## 1673 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) Did he promise that there would be an announcement of at least one major water infrastructure project in each State signatory to the National Water Initiative (NWI) by February 2005.
- (2) How many NWI funding projects (a) were approved by February 2005 and (b) have been approved to date.
- (3) What sum (a) in total and (b) in the 2005-2006 Budget has the Federal Government allocated for the Wimmera-Mallee Pipeline project.

#### 16 June 2005

1714 **MS A. L. ELLIS:** To ask the Prime Minister—Has the Government finalised its response to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee report *The Road to a Republic*, if so, has it been made available to the committee and, if it has not been made available to the committee, when will it be made available.

# 9 August 2005

# MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 1958 - 1976)—

- (1) What sum did the department and each agency in the Minister's portfolio spend on recruiting staff in (a) 2001-2002, (b) 2002-2003, (c) 2003-2004, and (d) 2004-2005.
- (2) For (a) 2001-2002, (b) 2002-2003, (c) 2003-2004, and (d) 2004-2005, what sum was paid to contractors to provide recruitment services and who were the contractors involved.
- (3) For (a) 2001-2002, (b) 2002-2003, (c) 2003-2004, and (d) 2004-2005, how many staff were employed by the department and each agency in the Minister's portfolio arising from these recruitment efforts.
- 1958 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 1959 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 1960 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 1961 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 1962 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 1963 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 1964 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 1965 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.

- 1966 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 1967 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 1968 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 1969 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 1970 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 1971 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 1972 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 1973 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 1974 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 1975 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 1976 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.

## 5 September 2005

- 2215 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—Did the Department of Health and Ageing engage the Kay McNiece Family Trust at a cost of \$30,000 to provide public relations support in relation to the Legislation Review Committee's review of the *Prohibition of Human Cloning Act 2002*; if so, what services are being provided under the terms of this contract.
- 2230 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister—
  - (1) Is he aware that Senator Ross Lightfoot advised four members of the Aziz family, an Iraqi family involved in Kurdistan's oil industry, to apply for political asylum as a way of staying in Australia after their visa had expired; if so, can he say whether this advice was correct in the circumstances.
  - (2) Is he aware that Senator Lightfoot's wife and staff member, Ms Anne Fergusson-Stewart, went to Dubai to assist Mr Aziz's wife to apply for another 12 month visa after they had left Australia after their initial visa expired.
  - (3) Is he aware that Senator Lightfoot has not disclosed who paid for the travel and accommodation costs incurred by his wife when she went to Dubai.
  - (4) Can he say whether Senator Lightfoot's entry on the Register of Pecuniary Interests is accurate and up-to-date.
  - (5) Has he discussed this matter with Senator Lightfoot.

## 6 September 2005

MS GRIERSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 2248 - 2266)—

- (1) Does the department or any agency in the Minister's portfolio administer any Commonwealth funded programs for which community organisations, businesses or individuals in the electoral division of Newcastle can apply for funding; if so, what are the details.
- (2) Are the programs identified in part (1) advertised; if so, in respect of each program (a) what print and other media outlets have been used to advertise it and (b) were these paid advertisements.
- (3) In respect of each of the Commonwealth funded programs referred to in part (1), (a) what is its purpose and (b) who is responsible for allocating funds.
- (4) With respect to each of the Commonwealth funded programs referred to in part (1), how many (a) community organisations, (b) businesses and (c) individuals in the electoral division of Newcastle received funding in (i) 2003-2004 and (ii) 2004-2005.
- (5) What sum of Commonwealth funding did each recipient receive in (a) 2003-2004 and (b) 2004-2005 and what are their names and addresses.
- 2254 MS GRIERSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 2264 MS GRIERSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

MR HAYES: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 2302 - 2320)—

- (1) What sum did the Minister's department spend on procuring goods and services from private organisations for the financial year (a) 2000-2001, (b) 2001-2002, (c) 2002-2003, (d) 2003-2004 and (e) 2004-2005.
- (2) What criteria does an organisation have to meet to be able to supply the Minister's department.

- (3) In respect of procurement contracts awarded to private organisations, does the Minister's department require certain industrial relations criteria to be met; if so, do the criteria include the requirement to offer employees Australian Workplace Agreements; if so why.
- 2302 MR HAYES: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 2303 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 2304 MR HAYES: To ask the Treasurer.
- 2305 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 2306 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 2307 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 2308 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 2309 MR HAYES: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 2310 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 2311 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 2312 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 2313 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 2314 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 2315 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 2316 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 2317 **MR HAYES:** To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 2318 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 2319 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 2320 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.

## 8 September 2005

#### 2332 MR BOWEN: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) In respect of his travel to Indonesia in September 2005, (a) what sum was spent on travel and accommodation for him and his party, (b) what sum was spent on airline travel (i) in total and (ii) for his personal staff, (c) how many personal staff accompanied him, (d) what class of air travel was used by (i) his personal staff and (ii) departmental staff, (e) what sum was spent on ground transport, (f) what modes of ground transport were used, (g) how many hotel rooms were booked for him and his staff, and (h) what standard of hotel room was booked for (i) him and (ii) staff.
- (2) In respect of each official function he hosted on this trip, (a) when and where was it held, (b) how many official guests attended, (c) what sum was spent on (i) food and (ii) beverages, and (d) what entertainment was provided and what did it cost.

### 13 October 2005

## MS HOARE: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 2492 - 2510)—

- (1) Does the Minister's department administer any Commonwealth funded programs to which community organisations, businesses or individuals in the electoral division of Charlton can apply for funding; if so, what are the programs.
- (2) Does the Minister's department advertise these funding opportunities; if so, (a) what print or other media outlets have been used for the advertising of each of these programs, and (b) were these paid advertisements, if so, what were the costs of each advertisement.
- (3) In respect of each of the Commonwealth funded programs referred to in part (1), (a) what is its purpose and (b) who is responsible for allocating funds.
- (4) In respect of each of the Commonwealth funded programs referred to in part (1), how many (a) community organisations, (b) businesses, and (c) individuals in the electoral division of Charlton received funding in (i) 2003, and (ii) 2004 and what was the name and address of each recipient.
- 2498 **MS HOARE:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 2502 MS HOARE: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.

2509 MS HOARE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.

### 7 November 2005

- **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 2586 2595)—For each of the last nine financial years, what sum has been granted by the department and each agency in the Minister's portfolio to the Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry or its predecessor.
- 2587 MRM. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.

### 10 November 2005

- 2630 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Prime Minister—Why has he not provided an answer to question No. 345 asked on 7 December 2004.
- 2631 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Prime Minister—Why has he not provided an answer to question No. 586 asked on 15 February 2005.

#### 28 November 2005

- 2676 **MR GIBBONS:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Is the Minister aware that Internet users who live near Lake Eppalock do not have (a) CDMA or digital network coverage, and (b) access to ADSL, ISDN, or wireless broadband.
  - (2) Is the Minister aware that Internet users who live near Lake Eppalock were not eligible for the Higher Bandwidth Incentive Scheme (HiBis) broadband subsidy.
  - (3) Is the Minister aware that if broadband were connected to the Kimbolton phone exchange that some users who live near Lake Eppalock would be too far away from the exchange to receive it.
  - (4) Is the Minister aware that the only service available is satellite service at a cost of \$250 per month.
  - (5) Can the Minister explain why the HiBis subsidy has ended.
  - (6) With regard to adequate services in the country being provided for Internet users, can the Minister explain what those services are, or are likely to be.
  - (7) Can the Minister assure country users that they will receive better services after Telstra is privatised.
  - (8) Can the Minister provide details of what current services are available to city users and country users.
  - (9) Can the Minister explain why Telstra would spend money to provide wireless broadband services to city users when they have other options available to them and not make this service available to country users.

## 8 December 2005

**MR RUDD:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 2892 - 2894)—Did he meet with officials from the Australian Wheat Board on or around 22 August 2005; if so, what was the purpose of the meeting.

2892 MR RUDD: To ask the Prime Minister.

MS ROXON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 2904 - 2922)—

- (1) For 2004-2005, what sum did the Minister's department and portfolio agencies pay to (a) Clayton Utz, (b) Blakes Dawson Waldron, (c) Philips Fox, (d) Sparke Helmore, (e) Freehills, (f) Minter Ellison, (g) Corrs Chambers Westgarth, (h) Mallesons Stephens Jacques, (i) Deacons, and (j) Craddock Murray Neumann Solicitors for legal services.
- (2) Which partners or principals of (a) Clayton Utz, (b) Blakes Dawson Waldron, (c) Philips Fox, (d) Sparke Helmore, (e) Freehills, (f) Minter Ellison, (g) Corrs Chambers Westgarth, (h) Mallesons Stephens Jacques, (i) Deacons, and (j) Craddock Murray Neumann Solicitors were responsible for undertaking or supervising legal services supplied by the firm to the department or agency in 2004-2005
- (3) For each partner or principal listed in response to part (3), what was the total amount billed to the department or agency for services undertaken or supervised by that partner or principal in 2004-2005.
- (4) What are the details of the legal services provided to the department or portfolio agencies by (a) Clayton Utz, (b) Blakes Dawson Waldron, (c) Philips Fox, (d) Sparke Helmore, (e) Freehills, (f) Minter Ellison, (g) Corrs Chambers Westgarth, (h) Mallesons Stephens Jacques, (i) Deacons, and (j) Craddock Murray Neumann Solicitors in 2004-2005.
- 2921 MS ROXON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.

MS ROXON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 2927 - 2930)—

- (1) At any time before Andrew Chan, Michael Czugaj, Scott Rush, Martin Stephens, Renae Lawrence, Tach Duc Thanh Nguyen, Myuran Sukumaran, Si Yi Chen and Matthew Norman (collectively, the 'Bali Nine') were arrested in Denpasar, Indonesia on 17 April 2005, was the Minister, or any of the Minister's personal staff, involved in any discussion, consultation or correspondence relating to or connected with the investigation or arrests of the Bali Nine with (a) the Australian Federal Police, (b) the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions, (c) the Australian Customs Service, and (d) any other Australian law enforcement agency; if so, what are the details.
- (2) When was the first occasion that the Minister, or any member of the Minister's personal staff, was involved in any discussion, consultation or correspondence relating to or connected with the investigation or arrests of the Bali Nine with (a) the Australian Federal Police, (b) the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions, (c) the Australian Customs Service, and (d) any other Australian law enforcement agency and what are the details of that discussion, consultation or correspondence.
- (3) At any time before the arrests of the Bali Nine, was the Minister, or any of the Minister's personal staff, involved in any discussion, consultation or correspondence with any foreign government or foreign law enforcement agency concerning the investigation or arrests of the Bali Nine; if so, what are the details; if not, when was the first occasion that the Minister, or any member of the Minister's personal staff, was involved in any discussion, consultation or correspondence with any foreign government or foreign law enforcement agency concerning the investigation or arrests of the Bali Nine.
- 2927 MS ROXON: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 2928 MS ROXON: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 2929 MS ROXON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 2930 MS ROXON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs.

# 7 February 2006

### 2932 MS ROXON: To ask the Attorney-General—

- (1) At any time before Andrew Chan, Michael Czugaj, Scott Rush, Martin Stephens, Renae Lawrence, Tach Duc Thanh Nguyen, Myuran Sukumaran, Si Yi Chen and Matthew Norman (collectively, the 'Bali Nine') were arrested in Denpasar, Indonesia on 17 April 2005, was the Minister, or any of the Minister's personal staff, involved in any discussion, consultation or correspondence relating to or connected with the investigation or arrests of the Bali Nine with (a) the Australian Federal Police, (b) the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions, (c) the Australian Customs Service, and (d) any other Australian law enforcement agency; if so, what are the details.
- (2) When was the first occasion that the Minister, or any member of the Minister's personal staff, was involved in any discussion, consultation or correspondence relating to or connected with the investigation or arrests of the Bali Nine with (a) the Australian Federal Police, (b) the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions, (c) the Australian Customs Service, and (d) any other Australian law enforcement agency and what are the details of that discussion, consultation or correspondence.
- (3) At any time before the arrests of the Bali Nine, was the Minister, or any of the Minister's personal staff, involved in any discussion, consultation or correspondence with any foreign government or foreign law enforcement agency concerning the investigation or arrests of the Bali Nine; if so, what are the details; if not, when was the first occasion that the Minister, or any member of the Minister's personal staff, was involved in any discussion, consultation or correspondence with any foreign government or foreign law enforcement agency concerning the investigation or arrests of the Bali Nine.

#### 2990 MR MELHAM: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) What are the texts of the commissions of the Governors-General whom Her Majesty the Queen has appointed on his advice.
- (2) What are the texts of the dormant commissions which Her Majesty the Queen has granted on his advice.
- (3) In what places and in what circumstances can Australians view the texts of the commissions of the Governors-General whom Her Majesty the Queen has appointed on the advice of previous Prime Ministers.

## 9 February 2006

3013 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Prime Minister—Further to the answer to question No. 2343 (*Hansard*, 7 February 2006), will the Government mandate the mixing of 10% ethanol with petrol; if not, why not.

## 27 February 2006

3104 **MS MACKLIN:** To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—Further to the answer to question No. 2791 (*Hansard*, 9 February 2006, page 130), for each year since 2000 and in respect of each Australian University, how many Australian Workplace Agreements have been registered.

### 27 March 2006

3178 **MR A. S. BURKE:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—Will he provide the list of companies that have applied for the Trade Skills Training visa which the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs referred to in the House of Representatives on 27 February 2006 (*Hansard*, 27 February 2006, page 101).

MR PRICE: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 3199 - 3217)—

- (1) What programs and services do the department and each agency in the Minister's portfolio provide for indigenous communities and individuals in the electoral division of Chifley.
- (2) In respect of each program, (a) what sum is spent annually (i) nationally and (ii) in the electoral division of Chifley and (b) how many people is it intended to assist (i) nationally and (ii) in the electoral division of Chifley.
- 3215 MR PRICE: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.

## 28 March 2006

- 3250 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Treasurer—
  - (1) What was the total cost to the Government of his department's defence of Freedom of Information applications made by Mr Michael Mckinnon since 2000.
  - (2) Will he provide his department's policy and procedure documents which apply to Freedom of Information proceedings for which a conclusive certificate is in force.

## 29 March 2006

MR BOWEN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 3260 - 3278)—

- (1) Did the department or any agency in the Minister's portfolio engage the services of a public relations, public affairs or media management consultancy in 2005; if so, what was the (a) purpose and (b) cost of each engagement.
- (2) What was the name and postal address of each company engaged for these purposes.
- (3) For 2005, what sum was spent on public relations, public affairs or media management consultancies by the department and each agency in the Minister's portfolio.
- 3273 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 3276 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 3277 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.

MR BOWEN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 3298 - 3316)—

- (1) Did the department or any agency in the Minister's portfolio conduct or commission an opinion poll, focus group, or market research in 2005; if so, what was the (a) purpose and (b) cost of each opinion poll, focus group or market research survey conducted.
- (2) What was the name and postal address of each company engaged to conduct the poll, focus group or research identified in (1).
- (3) For 2005, what sum was spent on conducting or commissioning opinion polls, focus groups or market research surveys by the department and each agency in the Minister's portfolio.
- 3299 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 3301 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 3311 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 3314 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 3315 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.

MR BOWEN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 3355 - 3381)—

- (1) Did the (a) Minister and (b) his personal staff receive any media training in 2005.
- (2) What was the cost of the media training.
- (3) What was the name and postal address of each company engaged to provide media training.
- 3366 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 3372 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 3378 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Workforce Participation.

MR BOWEN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 3385 - 3387)—

- (1) Did the (a) Minister and (b) his personal staff receive any media training in 2005.
- (2) What was the cost of the media training.
- (3) What was the name and postal address of each company engaged to provide media training.
- 3385 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.

## 9 May 2006

- 3435 MR PRICE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—
  - (1) Is it the case that that there were some 13,000 sightings of illegal fishing boats during 2005 equating to some 78,000 illegal foreign fishermen.
  - (2) Has the Australian Customs Service estimated how many illegal foreign fishing boats landed on the (a) Western Australian, (b) Northern Territory, and (c) Queensland coastline in 2005; if not, why not and can he explain on what basis the estimates in part (1) were made.

## 10 May 2006

- 3483 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (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' 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 he review each of these applications in light of the UNHCR Report.

# 22 May 2006

- 3511 MR JENKINS: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—
  - (1) What sum was provided to (a) government and (b) non-government schools in the postcode area (i) 3074, (ii) 3075, (iii) 3076, (iv) 3082, (v) 3083, (vi) 3087, (vii) 3088, (viii) 3089, (ix) 3090, (x) 3091, and (xi) 3752 for 2006.
  - (2) What was the (a) expenditure on, (b) location of, and (c) purpose of each grant in 2006.
  - (3) What sum will be provided to (a) government and (b) non-government schools in the postcode area (i) 3074, (ii) 3075, (iii) 3076, (iv) 3082, (v) 3083, (vi) 3087, (vii) 3088, (viii) 3089, (ix) 3090, (x) 3091, and (xi) 3752 for 2007.
  - (4) What will (a) the expenditure be for, (b) be location of, and (c) be the purpose of each grant in 2007.
- 3556 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—
  - (1) What personal information will be (a) visible, and (b) not visible but stored on the microchip, on the Health and Social Services Access Card (Smartcard).
  - (2) What additional information will be on supporting databases or linked to them.
  - (3) What information must be on the card and databases and what other information will be accessible with the card only if a cardholder chooses.
  - (4) In respect of other information which will be added to the card over time, is he able to say (a) who will decide what information will be added, (b) whether individuals will be able to choose if additional information is added, and (c) whether (i) an Act or (ii) a disallowable instrument will be necessary to authorise it.

- (5) Which (a) Government agencies and (b) businesses (eg supermarkets) will have access to information on the card and associated databases and what restrictions will be put on access to information.
- (6) Which Commonwealth and State and Territory government agencies will have access to the photograph on the card and for what purposes will access be permitted.
- (7) Does the Government intend to (a) require the card to be presented at polling booths, (b) link the information on relatives and associates, and (c) link the information with Census data in any way.
- (8) Will the unique number on the card be used to help match other information held by Commonwealth and State and Territory Governments or private organisations; if so, by which agencies and for what purposes.
- (9) How will the Government ensure that personal information on the card is (a) accurate and (b) secure and how will people accessing the data be sure of its accuracy.
- (10) Will a cardholder have the right to see and correct the information on the cardholder's card.
- (11) Will a cardholder be notified if the cardholder's personal information is found to have been disclosed or otherwise at risk.
- (12) How will a cardholder deal with Government agencies if the cardholder's card has been lost or stolen and not replaced.
- (13) On what grounds will the Government be able to withdraw or cancel a card without the cardholder's consent.
- (14) Will a person or agency independently oversee the Smartcard scheme; if so, (a) who or which agency, (b) under what legislative provisions, and (c) with what powers and resources.
- (15) What parliamentary scrutiny will apply to the card and the overseeing authority.

#### 15 June 2006

3658 MR RUDD: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—In respect of the item in *Budget Paper No.2*, 2006-07 *Budget*, page 13, titled "Fees charged for passports and other travel documents—increase", (a) what are the assumptions underlying the increase in fees, (b) what are the estimates of demand over the forward estimates for each type of passport, and what is the projected revenue for each, (c) what are the estimates of demand over the forward estimates following implementation of the increase in fee for each type of passport and what is the projected revenue for each, and (d) following the implementation of the increase in fee, for each year from 2006-07 to 2009-10, how much of the increased passport revenue will be used to offset the cost of "Overseas consular and crisis response—strengthening assistance to Australians".

## 19 June 2006

MR BOWEN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 3690 - 3708)—

- (1) How many senior officials in the Minister's Department have a personal leadership coach or trainer.
- (2) In each of the cases identified in part (1), what is the cost per hour of the leadership coach.
- (3) What sum has been expended on leadership coaching in the Minister's Department during the 2005-06 financial year.
- 3704 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 3718 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—
  - (1) Can he confirm that, in order to qualify for certain entitlements afforded by a safety net concession card or pharmaceutical benefits entitlement card, a family is defined by the *National Health Act 1953* to only include a person's spouse and children.
  - (2) Can he confirm that the current definition of a spouse in the *National Health Act 1953* includes a 'de facto spouse', but that a 'de facto spouse' must be of the opposite sex.
  - (3) Is it correct that same-sex couples are denied access to the same health concessions afforded by the *National Health Act 1953* to the family or spouse of a person who is entitled to a safety net concession card or pharmaceutical benefit entitlement card; if not, why not.
  - (4) Can he confirm that Australia is a signatory to the *International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights*; if so, is he aware that the United Nations Human Rights Committee has confirmed in *Young v. Australia* (941/00) that discrimination against gay men and lesbians is prohibited by article 26 of the convention and that article 26 applies to all laws and fields regulated by public authorities.
  - (5) Is he aware that the United Nations Human Rights Committee has observed in General Comment No. 18 (1989) that where there is a differentiation between two groups, the criteria for such

- differentiation must be reasonable and objective and the aim of such differentiation must be to achieve a purpose which is legitimate; if not, why not.
- (6) Can he explain (a) whether there are reasonable and objective criteria to differentiate between samesex and heterosexual couples when granting certain entitlements to the spouse of a safety net concession card or pharmaceutical benefit entitlement card holder and (b) whether the aims of such differentiation go to a purpose which is legitimate; if so, how; if not, will he amend the definition of 'spouse' in the *National Health Act 1953* to include same-sex partners and if not; why not.

## 3719 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—

- (1) Can he confirm that certain workers compensation benefits may be paid to a 'spouse' or 'dependant' of a commonwealth employee in the event of the death or incapacity of that employee due to work-related injuries.
- (2) Can he confirm that (a) the current definition of a 'dependant' in the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988* includes a 'spouse' and that the definition of a 'spouse' only includes a person of the opposite sex and (b) the current definition of 'dependant' includes various relatives of the employee, but does not include same-sex partners; if not, why not.
- (3) Is it correct that same-sex couples are denied access to the payments that may otherwise be available to 'dependants' of the employee under the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act*; if not, why not.
- (4) Can he confirm that Australia is a signatory to the *International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights*; if so, is he aware that the United Nations Human Rights Committee has confirmed in *Young v. Australia* (941/00) that discrimination against gay men and lesbians is prohibited by article 26 of the convention and that article 26 applies to all laws and fields regulated by public authorities.
- (5) Is he aware that the United Nations Human Rights Committee has observed in General Comment No. 18 (1989) that where there is a differentiation between two groups, the criteria for such differentiation must be reasonable and objective and the aim of such differentiation must be to achieve a purpose which is legitimate; if not, why not.
- (6) Can he explain (a) whether there are reasonable and objective criteria to differentiate between same-sex and heterosexual couples when granting workers compensation benefits to partners of a deceased Commonwealth employee who has died because of work related injuries and (b) whether the aims of such differentiation could go to a purpose which is legitimate; if so, how; if not, will he amend the definition of 'dependant' or 'spouse' in the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988* to include same-sex partners and if not; why not?

## 20 June 2006

## 3737 MR DANBY: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) Does he recall in November 2000 telling Laurie Oakes that he had recently opened an Islamic school in Auburn, New South Wales.
- (2) Was the school referred to in part (1) the Al-Faisal College; if so, how many times since 2000 has he visited this school.
- (3) Can he confirm whether this school receives funding from the Government of Saudi Arabia, or from members of the Saudi royal family.
- (4) Has he seen comments by Mr Irfan Yusuf, the Liberal Party candidate for the seat of Reid at the 2001 election, that the Al-Faisal College is managed by a group affiliated with the extremist Wahabi sect of Islam, to which Osama bin Laden belongs.
- (5) What is his response to Mr Yusuf's allegations that radical Islamic clerics from other countries preach at this school, and to his comment that: "It really concerns me that the Prime Minister regularly visits that school and is seen to visit that school. I don't know where the Prime Minister is getting his advice from but it's really quite scary when you see that sort of rhetoric coming out of a school and sponsored by that school and taught by that school, and the PM going and almost endorsing it".
- (6) What steps has he taken to ascertain whether Al-Faisal College is in any way sponsored, or used, by Islamist or other extremist groups.

### 21 June 2006

3747 **MS MACKLIN:** To ask the Prime Minister—As a part of the COAG skills agenda, have working parties, committees or action groups been formed to examine (a) mutual recognition of occupational licensing and

qualifications, (b) recognition of prior learning, and/or (c) future agenda for vocational education; if so, (i) what is the membership of these groups, (ii) on what dates, and in what locations, have meetings of these groups occurred, (iii) what are the future meeting dates for these groups, and (iv) what is the timeframe for reporting on outcomes achieved.

# 8 August 2006

- 3786 **MS GRIERSON:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—In respect of persons who have had their visas cancelled on character grounds, and have subsequently been deported by his department, (a) how many deportees were there in each of the years 1996-2006, (b) what was the gender, age and ethnic background of each deportee, (c) to which country was each deported, (d) for what reason was each deported, (e) at the time of deportation, how long had each been residing in Australia and (f) in which country was each born.
- 3799 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (1) What immigration activities has the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs (DIMA) (a) outsourced, (b) supported through the provision of funds or (c) supported through the provision or secondment of DIMA personnel to non-government organisations whose main business is immigration or settlement.
  - (2) In respect of the organisations identified in part (1), (a) what are their names, (b) what contracts, funding or personnel support have they received and (c) what is the dollar value of the contracts, funding or personnel support they have received in each of the 2004-05 and 2005-06 financial years.
- 3809 MR TANNER: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration—
  - (1) Which Commonwealth agencies are not subject to the 1.25% efficiency dividend and, in each case, why is it not applied.
  - (2) Which Commonwealth agencies are subject to the efficiency dividend at a rate less than 1.25% and, in each case, (a) what is the efficiency dividend rate, (b) to what base is it applied and (c) what is the reason for the reduced rate.
  - (3) Which Commonwealth programs are subject to the efficiency dividend and at what rate.
  - (4) What is the aggregate cost of the efficiency dividend for (a) all Commonwealth agencies and (b) all Commonwealth programs to which it applies for the years (i) 2006-07, (ii) 2007-08, (iii) 2008-09 and (iv) 2009-10.

# 14 August 2006

- MR BOWEN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 3907 3925)—To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. -)—Has the Minister's office, or any department or agency in the Minister's portfolio, engaged any consultant or other form of external assistance in the preparation of any speech to be made by the Minister in the financial year 2005-06.
- 3915 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 3916 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 3923 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 3924 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.

# 16 August 2006

- 3951 MS BIRD: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—
  - (1) Further to his answer to question No. 2274 (*Hansard*, 14 August 2006, page 108), is he aware of a report published in the *Australian Financial Review* on 19 August 2005 titled "Employer's advocates help draft IR laws".
  - (2) Did his department use lawyers seconded from private law firms to provide advice to the Government on drafting the *WorkChoices* legislation; if so, (a) how many lawyers from private law firms were seconded to the department for this purpose; (b) from which private law firms were they seconded and (c) how were the secondment costs met.
- 3954 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (1) Does his department administer any labour agreements specialising in the recruitment and placement of overseas workers to meet the labour needs of the agricultural and horticultural industries; if so, (a) with whom have these labour agreements been made, (b) who was consulted in the negotiation of

- these agreements, (c) how many employers have engaged labour under these agreements, (d) in which industry and region do they operate and (d) what has been the range of skills and qualifications of the overseas employees recruited by each employer.
- (2) What is the (a) nature and (b) length of the visa offered under the labour agreements referred to in part (1).
- 3959 MR TANNER: To ask the Prime Minister—How much of the \$2 billion provided over five years for the Australian Water Fund remains unspent and uncommitted in (a) 2006-07, (b) 2007-08, (c) 2008-09, (d) 2009-10 and (e) 2010-11 for the (i) Water Smart Australia Programme, (ii) Raising National Water Standards Programme and (iii) Community Water Grants Programme.

## 17 August 2006

## 3964 MR MELHAM: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) How many Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel are currently serving as Aides-de-Camp to His Excellency, the Governor-General.
- (2) What military ranks do these personnel hold.
- (3) Has the number of ADF personnel serving as Aides-de-Camp changed during the service of the present Governor-General; if so, when and why.

# 4 September 2006

## MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4016 - 4045)—

- (1) What contracts, if any, were granted to Crosby/Textor by the Minister, or by any departments or agencies in the Minister's portfolio, in (a) 2004-05 and (b) 2005-06.
- (2) What contracts, if any, have been awarded to Crosby/Textor for (a) 2006-07 or (b) 2007-08.
- (3) In respect of each contract referred to in Parts (1) and (2), (a) what was, or is, the cost and (b) what work was, or will be, carried out by Crosby/Textor pursuant to that contract.
- 4025 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4037 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Vocational and Technical Education.

## MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4048 - 4066)—

- (1) What contracts have been awarded to KPMG by departments or agencies within the Minister's portfolio for the financial years (a) 2004-05, (b) 2005-06 and (c) 2006-07.
- (2) What is the cost of each contract identified in Part (1).
- 4059 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 4068 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) In 2005-06, in his first year as Telstra's Chief Executive, was Mr Sol Trujillo paid 30 percent more than the previous Chief Executive of Telstra.
  - (2) In 2005-06, did Telstra's Chief Operating Officer, Mr Greg Winn, receive a salary package of \$3.84 million.
  - (3) In 2005-06, did the Managing Director of Telstra's Business and Government Group, Mr David Thodey, receive a salary increase of \$900,000.
  - (4) In 2005-06, did shares in Telstra lose approximately a quarter of their value.
  - (5) What is the Government's position on the indexing of salaries for senior company executives to company performance.
  - (6) Is the Government aware that in 2000, prior to his appointment as Chief Executive of Telstra, Mr Trujillo received a separation package of some \$92 million from the American telecommunications company US West; if not, why not.
  - (7) What is the Government's position on the role of increased payment as an incentive to increased productivity

# 6 September 2006

## 4089 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—

(1) From 1 July 2005 to 30 June 2006, how many Class 457 Visa applications were issued by the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs for projects based in Victoria.

- (2) How many individuals will be permitted to enter Australia on the basis of the approved Victorian projects.
- (3) What estimate has the department made of the number of Class 457 Visa applications that will be approved for the 2006-07 financial year for (a) Australia and (b) Victoria.

## 7 September 2006

MR BOWEN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4117 - 4146)—

- (1) What sum was spent on media monitoring and clipping services engaged by the Minister's office in 2005-06.
- (2) What was the name and postal address of each media monitoring company engaged by the Minister's office.
- 4126 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4129 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 4137 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Fisheries, Forestry and Conservation.
- 4141 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer.
- 4144 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.

MR BOWEN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4147 - 4165)—

- (1) What sum was spent on media monitoring and clipping services engaged by the department and agencies in the Minister's portfolio in 2005-06;
- (2) Did the department or any agency in the Minister's portfolio order newspaper clippings, television appearance transcripts or videos, radio transcripts or tapes on behalf of the Minister's office in 2005-06; if so, what sum was spent by the department or agency on providing this service.
- 4149 MR BOWEN: To ask the Treasurer.
- 4154 MR BOWEN: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4155 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4156 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4158 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 4159 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.

# 12 September 2006

MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4182 - 4200)—

- (1) What was the total cost of entertainment expenses for the 2005–06 financial year for the Minister's (a) department and agencies and (b) office.
- (2) Will the Minister provide a breakdown of entertainment expenses incurred by the Minister's (a) department and agencies and (b) office in the financial year 2005-06, listing: (i) purpose; (ii) outcome; (iii) expenses; including alcohol, tobacco, contracts and transport; and (iv) persons present.
- 4183 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 4184 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 4185 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 4186 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 4187 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 4188 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4189 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4190 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4192 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 4193 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 4194 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.

- 4195 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 4196 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 4197 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 4198 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 4199 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 4200 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4201 4219)—In respect of any assessment that has been made of the effectiveness of advertising undertaken by the Minister's department and agencies for the financial year 2005-06; will the Minister supply summaries of any reports relating to effectiveness of advertising and (b) the cost of any such assessment.
- 4201 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 4202 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 4203 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 4204 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 4205 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 4206 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 4207 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4208 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4209 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4210 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4211 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 4212 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 4213 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 4214 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 4215 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 4216 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 4217 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 4218 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 4219 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
- 4283 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—
  - (1) Can he confirm the statement made in his media release of 29 August 2006 that: "What we are proposing is no more data on the access card than appears on the driver's licence people are happy to share every day at the local video store".
  - (2) Is he aware that Australian drivers' licences do not record biometric photographs on a microchip.
  - (3) Will he confirm that the Smartcard will hold biometric photographs on its microchip.
  - (4) Will the Smartcard microchip contain details of children and other dependants covered by the card; if so, which details will be included.
  - (5) Will the smartcard be designed and operate according to the Biometrics Institute Privacy Code, approved by Privacy Commissioner Karen Curtis.
  - (6) In respect of the information it will hold, how will the Smartcard differ from a microchip driver's licence.
  - (7) Will private business be able to require customers to remember and use a PIN number in order to access private business services via the Smartcard.
  - (8) What is the expected (a) maximum, (b) minimum and (c) average operational lifespan of the proposed Smartcard. and
  - (9) Will Australians be required to pay to replace worn out Smartcards.

4292 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Workforce Participation—What is the (a) name, (b) address, and (c) hours of operation of each Job Network operator in the postcode area (i) 3058, (ii) 3070, (iii) 3071, (iv) 3072, (v) 3073, (vi) 3078, (vii) 3083 and (viii) 3085.

MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4297 - 4326)—

- (1) What programs have been administered by the Minister's department in the federal electorate of Richmond since October 2004.
- (2) In respect of each project or program referred to in Part (1), (a) what is its name, (b) by whom is it operated and (c) what are its aims and objectives.
- (3) What grants have been provided to individuals, businesses and organisations by the Ministers' department in the federal electorate of Richmond since October 2004.
- 4298 MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 4300 MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 4303 MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4307 **MRS ELLIOT:** To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 4309 MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 4311 MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 4313 MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 4316 MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 4317 **MRS ELLIOT:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Fisheries, Forestry and Conservation.
- 4318 MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Minister for Vocational and Technical Education.
- 4323 MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Minister for Workforce Participation.
- 4326 MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Ageing.

### 13 September 2006

- 4339 MR RUDD: To ask the Prime Minister—In respect of his response to the oral question relating to the Oil for Food Program, which was asked by the Leader of the Opposition on 10 May 2006 (*Hansard*, 10 May 2006, page 78), (a) upon what evidence did the Prime Minister base his statement that the undated email communication between the Iraq Task Force and Ambassador Thawley took place in February 2005 and (b) can the Prime Minister supply that evidence.
- 4341 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (1) How many Hazaras entered Australia under the Refugee/Humanitarian immigration category in (a) 2004-05 and (b) 2005-06.
  - (2) At 30 June 2006, how many Refugee/Humanitarian cases that had been lodged at the Islamabad Embassy (a) six months, or (b) one year previously, were still being processed.
- 4342 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—In respect of the Healthy Schools Communities grants, (a) how many schools in each federal electorate have received a grant and (b) what sum was granted to (i) each federal electorate and (ii) each school.

## 14 September 2006

4345 **MS CORCORAN:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—In respect of his response to question No. 391 (Senate *Hansard*, 14 June 2005) that, at that time: "the Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs (DIMIA) systems do not provide reliable data on whether Protection Visa (PV) applicants hold visas without work rights or access to Medicare as a result of applying for PV more than 45 days after arrival in Australia" and her subsequent estimate that 35 per cent of PV applications lodged in the period 1 July 2003 to 28 February 2005 by clients with a Movements Database match were lodged more than 45 days after date of last arrival; (a) does DIMA now have reliable data on how many people apply for a protection visa 45days after arrival; if so how many people have done so; (b) how many people does the 35 percent estimate represent; and (c) of the applications for protection visa lodged since the 45 day rule was introduced, how many applicants (i) have had a protection visa granted, (ii) have had their application denied, (iii) are appealing the refusal of a protection visa,(iv) are still to be processed, or (v) have withdrawn their application.

#### 4348 MS K. M. ELLIS: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) What evaluation has he made of the impact of the recent fee increases by California-based online trading site eBay on the 17,500 Australian small businesses who use e-Bay store trading as their primary sales channel and the additional 35,000 small businesses who use eBay as their secondary sales channel.
- (2) Can he say whether eBay's decision to raise fees, and reduce store visibility (a) was necessary to protect eBay's legitimate business interest in Australia, (b) was made after adequate negotiation with eBay's store-holders, (c) constitutes a fair tactic by eBay to increase overall profits and (d) was executed in a conscionable manner, with full consideration given to the disparity in bargaining power.
- (3) Is he aware that over 800 Australian small business who were trading using eBay 'stores' have reportedly closed down since the implementation of eBay's new fee structure.
- (4) Has the Government sought legal opinion as to whether eBay's actions comply with current Australian trade practices legislation, in particular with section 51AC of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*.
- (5) Will the Government take steps to safeguard Australian small businesses from similar excessive fee increases in the future.
- MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4349 4367)— (1) How many freedom of information applications have the Minister's department and agencies received in each financial year since 1 July 2000.
- (2) In respect of the applications identified in Part (1), how many resulted in documents being released (a) in full, (b) in part and (c) not at all.
- (3) Has the Minister's department issued any conclusive certificates since 1 July 1996; if so, what are those details.
- (4) In respect of each of the conclusive certificates identified in Part (3), will the Minister provide (a) the sections of the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* to which the certificate relates and (b) the details of any appeal against the certificate lodged with the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, including the outcome of the appeal.
- 4355 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4361 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
  - **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4368 4386)—For each financial year since 1 July 2003, what Government communication activities (a) costing more than \$10,000 and (b) costing less than \$10,000, and not included in the annual report, have been conducted by the Minister's department and agencies.
- 4368 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 4369 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 4370 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 4371 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 4372 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 4373 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 4374 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4375 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4376 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4377 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4379 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 4380 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 4381 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 4382 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 4383 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 4384 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 4385 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.

- 4386 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4392 4410)—
  - (1) How many credit cards have been issued to employees of the Minister's department and agencies in each financial year since 1 July 2000.
  - (2) Of the credit cards identified in Part (1): (a) how many have been reported lost; (b) how many have been reported stolen; (c) have any been subject to fraud; if so, what was the total cost of each fraud incident; (d) what is the average credit limit for each financial year; (e) what was the total amount of interest accrued; and (f) have any employees been subjected to criminal proceedings as a result of credit card fraud.
- 4394 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 4400 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4409 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
  - **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4411 4429)—For each financial year since 1 July 2000, what was the total cost of all Media Monitoring services for the Minister's department and agencies.
- 4412 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 4413 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 4414 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 4415 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 4417 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4418 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4419 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4420 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4422 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 4423 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 4424 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 4425 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 4426 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 4427 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 4428 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
  - **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4430 4448)—For each financial year since 1 July 2000, what was the total cost of fuel purchases for all Commonwealth cars operated by the Minister's department and agencies.
- 4436 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4437 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4438 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4443 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 4446 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
  - **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4450 4468)—For each financial year since 1 July 2000, what was the total cost of (a) gardening and (b) indoor plants for the Minister's department and agencies.
- 4457 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4459 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4462 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4469 4487)—
  - (1) For each financial year since 1 July 2000, how many laptops have been reported missing or stolen from the Minister's department and agencies.

- (2) In respect of the laptops identified in Part (1), (a) what was the cost of replacement and (b) what were the related insurance costs.
- (3) For each financial year since 1 July 2000, how many laptops in the Minister's department and agencies were damaged.
- (4) In respect of the laptops identified in Part (3), what was the cost of repairs.
- 4469 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 4470 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 4471 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 4472 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 4473 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 4474 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 4475 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4476 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4477 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4478 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4479 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 4480 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 4481 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 4482 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 4483 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 4484 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 4485 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 4486 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 4487 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4488 4506)—For each financial year since 1 July 2000, how many sexual harassment claims have been reported in the Minister's department and agencies.
- 4497 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4507 4525)—In respect of the secondment to the Minister's office of a Departmental Liaison Officer (DLO) , what is the (a) average, (b) shortest and (c) longest period of secondment and (d) what is the total number of DLOs that have been employed in the Minister's office since 1 July 2000.
- 4509 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 4511 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 4513 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4515 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4516 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4519 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 4521 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 4522 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 4525 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4526 4544)—In respect of any change to the logo of the department and agencies that report to the Minister, (a) when was the most recent change, (b) how many such changes have taken place in the past five years, (c) what was the reason for the change, and (d) what was the total cost of the change, including (i) signage, (ii) stationery, (iii) associated advertising and (iv) website design.
- 4526 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister.

- 4528 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 4531 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 4532 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4533 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4534 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4535 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4536 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 4538 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 4539 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 4541 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 4542 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 4543 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 4544 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4546 4564)—For each financial year since 1 July 2000, (a) how many accidents involving departmental motor vehicles have been recorded by the Minister's department, (b) what was the total cost of these accidents, (c) how many compensation claims were filed by departmental employees in relation to a motor vehicle accident and (d) what was the total cost of these compensation claims.
- 4546 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 4547 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 4548 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 4549 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 4550 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 4551 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 4552 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4553 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4554 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4555 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4556 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 4557 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 4558 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 4559 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 4560 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 4561 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 4562 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 4563 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 4564 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4565 4583)—For each financial year since 1 July 2000: (a) which employment agencies has the Minister's department engaged; (b) what was the total cost of engaging employment agencies; and (c) how many employees were placed by these agencies and, of those, which were employed on (i) an ongoing and (ii) a non-ongoing basis.
- 4565 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 4573 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4578 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 4581 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.

- MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4603 4621)—
- (1) For each financial year since 1 July 2000, on how many occasions have departmental employees accessed files or records without proper authorisation.
- (2) In each instance identified in Part (1), (a) what action was taken against the employee and (b) if the unauthorised access involved customer records, in how many instances was the customer notified.
- (3) Are employees able to access personal or customer files without (a) being detected, or (b) leaving a record of their access.
- (4) What auditing procedures exist to monitor employee access to files and records.
- 4615 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
  - **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4622 4640)—Is the Minister's department, or any portfolio agency, in the process of having office accommodation constructed at a new location; if so, (a) what is the total construction cost and (b) when will construction be completed.
- 4629 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4634 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4641 4659)—
  - (1) For each financial year since 1 July 2000, (a) how many employees were engaged in the communications section of the Minister's department and (b) what was the total cost of salaries for those staff.
  - (2) For each financial year since 1 July 2000, how many media advisors were employed in the Minister's office and (b) what was the total cost of salaries, including personal staff allowances, for those staff.
- 4647 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4648 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 4649 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4650 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4651 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 4653 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 4654 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 4655 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 4656 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 4657 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 4658 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 4659 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.

# 9 October 2006

- 4688 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—At 30 June 2006 (a) how many holders of Temporary Protection Visas (TPVs) were resident in Australia, (b) how many TPV holders had been in that class for more than (i) four years and (ii) five years and (c) how many TPV holders continued to hold that status due to commission of offences carrying a possible one year jail sentence.
- 4689 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—Further to his response to question No. 3425 (*Hansard*, 9 August, 2006), which recorded that the municipalities of Auburn, Fairfield, Holroyd and Parramatta received 1,860 of Sydney's Refugee/Humanitarian entrants for 2004-05, while the municipalities of Ashfield, Botany Bay, Leichhardt, Marrickville, North Sydney, Sydney and Woollahra settled only 48 Refugee/Humanitarian entrants in the same period, (a) what activities is the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs and its settlement contractors undertaking to diversify settlement and minimise the concentration of deprivation and settlement problems and (b) have there been any approaches by municipalities, political representatives and local institutions to facilitate wider Refugee/Humanitarian settlement in the second group of council areas.
- 4702 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Attorney-General—What sum of the funds allocated to the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions and the Federal Court of Australia in the 2006-07 Budget has the Government spent to date on its investigation into serious cartel conduct in Australia.

- 4706 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (1) Has the Government undertaken a study of the percentage of Muslim migrants who are able to speak English upon arrival in Australia or subsequent to arrival; if so, what is the percentage.
  - (2) Has the Government undertaken a study of the percentage of non-Muslim migrants from a non-English-speaking background who are able to speak English upon arrival in Australia or subsequent to arrival; if so, what is the percentage.
  - (3) What was the number of (a) Muslim and (b) non-Muslim migrants to Australia for each of the years 2000 to 2006.
- 4707 **MS A. E. BURKE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—In respect of each briefing provided by the Australian Customs Service about the agency's operations since 2000-01, excluding briefings provided to Ministers, Shadow Ministers and Parliamentary Committees, will the Minister provide: (a) the date; (b) the name, or names, of the person, or persons, who requested the briefing; (c) the name, or names, of the person, or persons, who received the briefing; and (d) its purpose.

#### 10 October 2006

- 4726 MR A. S. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—Further to his response to question No. 3476 (*Hansard*, 11 September 2006, page 110), for each of the financial years 1996-97 to 2005-06, what is the number of (a) visas and (b) permanent residencies granted in each of the following visa sub-classes: (i) business owner provisional; (ii) State/Territory business owner provisional; (iii) exchange; (iv) special programs; (v) working holiday (temporary); (vi) educational; (vii) visiting academic; (viii) entertainment; (ix) sport; (x) medical practitioner; (xi) media and film staff; (xii) domestic work temporary (diplomatic or consular); (xiii) occupation trainee; (xiv) business (long stay); and (xv) working and holiday (temporary).
- 4728 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—Further to his response to question No. 3530 (5 October, 2006) concerning the 5020 Retirement Visa (subclass 410—Temporary) holders, how many individuals make up each of the 49 nationalities detailed in the answer.
- 4730 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—For the financial year (a) 2002-03, (b) 2003-04, (c) 2004-05, (d) 2005-06 and (e) 2006-07, what is the actual, or estimated, average wage (including salaries, bonuses, monetary and non-monetary entitlements and benefits) for (i) non-SES and (ii) SES staff for each Commonwealth department and agency.
- 4732 MR MELHAM: To ask the Attorney-General—Are security vetting checks carried out in relation to Ministers and other Members of Parliament who have access to top secret or secret national security information; if so, are these checks conducted in accordance with practices and procedures set out in the Commonwealth Protective Security Manual.

# 11 October 2006

- 4745 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources—
  - (1) What sum did the department and its agencies spend on consultancies in the financial year (a) 2002-03, (b) 2003-04, (c) 2004-05 and (d) 2005-06, and what was the cost of each consultancy.
  - (2) To whom were consultancies given by the department and its agencies in the financial year (a) 2002-03, (b) 2003-04, (c) 2004-05 and (d) 2005-06, and what was the cost of each consultancy.
  - (3) What is the estimated sum that will be spent by the department and its agencies on consultancies in the financial year 2006-07.

### 12 October 2006

- 4757 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (1) Have there been, or there are any plans for his department to send, a delegation of its public servants overseas to encourage skilled workers to take up *Temporary Business Long Stay-Standard Business Sponsorship (subclass 457)* visas; if so, (a) how many delegations have travelled overseas on such visits; (b) upon what dates did each delegation (i) leave and (ii) return to Australia; (c) how many public servants accompanied each delegation; (d) what was the total cost paid by the department for the overseas delegation visit; (e) what countries did each delegation visit; and (f) what was the name of each government agency, corporation or business association with which each delegation met.
  - (2) In respect of each delegation identified in Part (1), were there any other individuals outside the department who travelled with each delegation; if so (a) what were their names, (b) for which

- company or association did they work, and (iii) were their travel and accommodation costs met by the department, and if so, what sum was paid by the department for each individual.
- (3) Was he made aware of the purpose for which each delegation was travelling overseas prior to its departure, if so, when.

## 16 October 2006

4770 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration—In respect of Government advertising, what is (a) the cost for the 2005-06 financial year and (b) the projected cost for the 2006-07 financial year of (i) television production and airing, (ii) radio production and airing, (iii) internet production and publication and (iv) print media production and publication.

MS KING: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 4781 - 4799)—

- (1) In respect of the federal electorate of Ballarat, does the Minister's department, or any agency in the Minister's portfolio, administer any Commonwealth-funded programs under which community organisations, schools, businesses or individuals can apply for funding; if so what are the details of those programs.
- (2) In respect of each Commonwealth-funded program identified in Part (1), how many (a) community organisations, (b) schools, (c) businesses or (d) individuals received funding in (i) 2001, (ii) 2002, (iii) 2003, (iv) 2004, (v) 2005 and (vi) 2006.
- (3) In respect of each Commonwealth-funded program identified in Part (1), (a) what is the name and address of the funding recipient and (b) what sum was allocated in (i) 2001, (ii) 2002, (iii) 2003, (iv) 2004, (v) 2005 and (vi) 2006.
- 4784 MS KING: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 4786 MS KING: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 4787 MS KING: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 4789 **MS KING:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 4791 MS KING: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 4793 MS KING: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 4795 MS KING: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 4797 MS KING: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 4798 MS KING: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 4799 MS KING: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.

### 30 October 2006

- 4834 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (1) Has there been any evidence of fraud in overseas assessment of English proficiency, most particularly in respect of impersonation at tests.
  - (2) What measures are undertaken to combat the possibility of fraudulent qualification in English proficiency for migration to Australia.
  - (3) How many contractors operating outside Australia conduct English proficiency testing for migration purposes.
  - (4) What vetting of contractors conducting overseas English proficiency tests is undertaken in respect of the reliability of examination processes.
- 4846 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—Did he sign the 7 Network's petition calling on the Government to reverse its decision to slash solar electricity rebates and to reverse its decision to phase out solar electricity rebates completely by the middle of next year; if so, has Centrelink allocated resources or prepared initiatives relating to solar power programs and if so, (a) what are those details and (b) when were they initiated.
- 4847 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—
  - (1) To November 2006: (a) what sum has been expended under the Greenhouse Gas Abatement Program (GGAP); (b) what sum has been allocated under the GGAP; (c) what sum was promised to fund the GGAP; (d) what level of greenhouse gas abatement has been achieved under the GGAP; (e) how much greenhouse gas is expected to be abated under the GGAP; (f) what is the cost, per tonne, of

- abated gas achieved to date under the GGAP; (g) what is the projected cost, per tonne, of abated gas expected to be achieved in total under the GGAP; and (h) what sum has been contributed to GGAP projects by the private sector, in terms of monies (i) spent and (ii) committed.
- (2) Under the GGAP, does abatement refer only to the amount of greenhouse gases (Co2-e tonnes) that are no longer emitted into the atmosphere as a result of the program; if not, are there are other definitions of abatement and if so; (a) what are those details and (b) what is the number of GGAP projects which relate to each definition.
- (3) To November 2006, (a) how many GGAP applications were approved, (b) how many GGAP projects have failed to meet their initial scheduled milestones and (c) how many initially approved projects have been (ii) abandoned, (ii) completed, or are (iii) ongoing.

### 27 November 2006

- 4870 **MS GILLARD:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—For the financial year (a) 2005-06 and (b) 2004-05 could the Minister provide a breakdown, by State and Territory, of (i) the number of air and sea import clearances that were approved and (ii) the number of effective full-time staff that were employed to grant these approvals.
- 4889 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (1) What proportion of temporary residents subsequently seek and obtain permanent residency.
  - (2) What is the average period between the arrival of a temporary resident and obtaining residency.
- 4895 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer—
  - (1) In the 2005-06 financial year, what amount of revenue was recovered as a result of efforts to curb the cash economy.
  - (2) Can he provide the current estimated value of the cash economy; if not, why not.
  - (3) Will any additional action be taken in 2006-2007 to curb the cash economy; if so, what are the details.
- 4896 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer—In respect of the Government's 30 per cent childcare rebate, to date: (a) how many families have claimed the rebate; (b) how many applications for the rebate were rejected, and on what grounds; (c) how many applicants did not get the full 30 per cent of their out-of-pocket costs offset, because their taxable income was too low to absorb the offset, and how many of these were single mothers; and (d) how many families have benefited from the offset.
- 4903 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Treasurer—To date, how many superannuation fund members have been charged the 45 per cent tax rate for failing to provide their tax file number.
- 4905 **MR GEORGANAS:** To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—For (a) each of the last two financial years and (b) for each State and Territory, how many jobs have been created that are (i) full-time and permanent and (ii) part-time and casual.
- 4918 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (1) Further to the Minister's response to Part (9) of question No. 3604 (*Hansard*, 10 October 2006, page 79), what are the full reasons why changes to Australian citizenship eligibility criteria for New Zealand citizens were necessary to support bilateral social security arrangements.
  - (2) Can the Minister advise which article(s) in the bilateral social security agreement require the removal of citizenship eligibility from long-term residents who are New Zealand citizens; if not, why not.
- 4919 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (1) Further to the Minister's response to Part (5) of question No. 3603 (*Hansard*, 10 October 2006, page 78), that a small number of New Zealand citizens were likely to be eligible for, but did not obtain, a certificate from Centrelink, can he advise (a) the number of persons affected, (b) the number of affected persons who have contacted him or Parliamentary Secretary and (c) the reasons that a certificate was not, or could not be, obtained by those persons; if not, why not.
  - (2) What was the population of New Zealand citizens residing in Australia in (a) 2001, (b) 2002 (c) 2003 and (d) 2004.
  - (3) Can he advise how many applications for certificates of residency were received by Centrelink from 'temporarily absent' New Zealand citizens up to and including the 26 February 2004 deadline; if not, why not.

(4) Can he advise how many certificates of residency were issued by Centrelink to 'temporarily absent' New Zealand citizens up to and including 26 February 2004; if not, why not.

### 30 November 2006

4937 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Prime Minister—For each state funeral held since March 1996, what was (a) the name of the deceased person, (b) the date of the funeral or ceremony, (c) the venue of the funeral or ceremony and (d) the cost incurred by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

### 4 December 2006

- 4948 **MS MACKLIN:** To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—Further to her response to question No. 4754 (*Hansard*, 29 November 2006, page 157), which indicated that, as at 31 October 2006, the Department of Education Science and Training was corresponding with three higher education providers regarding non-compliance or apparent non-compliance with some aspect of the quality and accountability requirements of the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*; (a) who are these providers and (b) to which aspects of the requirements does their non-compliance, or apparent non-compliance, relate.
- 4950 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—Further to his response to question No. 4295 (*Hansard*, 28 November 2006, page 134), for each full or part financial year since the Department of Human Services was created, what was the Department's itemised expenditure on: (a) advertising; (b) entertainment; (c) overseas travel, including travel for the Minister and his staff; (d) consultancies, including the hourly and/or daily rate for each consultant; and (e) media training.
- 4951 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—In respect of Australian tourist visas issued in India via the Internet: (a) what criteria does the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs (DIMA) use to select the certified travel agents known as the preferred Aussie Specialists, and what is the nature of the accreditation program that applies to these agents; (b) what training do the agents receive from DIMA, by whom is it conducted and do the agents pay for it; and (c) how many agents are listed as Aussie Specialists.

### 7 December 2006

- 4982 MR GARRETT: To ask the Special Minister of State—
  - (1) What measures have been implemented from the management plan to deal with the existence of asbestos at the Anzac Rifle Range.
  - (2) Has there been recent testing of heavy metals in the groundwater at Malabar Headland.
  - (3) What are the results of the latest tests and how do they vary from the results of previous tests.
  - (4) What progress has been made toward finalising Part Two of the Facility Management Plan for Malabar Headland.
  - (5) Is he consulting with the New South Wales Government to identify a suitable site for relocation of the Anzac Rifle Range; if so, (a) what were the dates and times of consultations undertaken to date and (b) what, if any, any decisions concerning Malabar Headland have been reached.
  - (6) Is \$9 million still available from the Federation Fund to relocate the rifle range.
  - (7) Does he support a joint initiative between Randwick City Council and the Department of Finance and Administration to conduct a feasibility study of the management of the wetlands on Malabar Headland and is he aware that Randwick City Council has offered to share the cost of this exercise.
  - (8) Does he support the extension of a walking track through the western portion of the headland; if so, will he provide written confirmation of the Government's support for the construction of a walking track along the western portion of the headland.
  - (10) Has he, or his department, provided any previous form of support for the walking track.
  - (11) When will he release the final Facility Management Plan.
  - (12) Will he consult with the local community before deciding on the future of Malabar Headland.; if so, what form will these consultations take.
  - (13) Will he rule out Malabar Headland as a prospective site for any nuclear power plant.
- 4988 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Prime Minister—What is the projected cost of air transport services, including use of special purpose flights and chartered aircraft, associated with APEC 2007 meetings and events.

#### 4999 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—

- (1) Has he been advised as to the cost of reducing Australia's greenhouse gas emissions by 2050; if so, what advice has he received; if not, why not.
- (2) Has he sought external advice on the impact of climate change upon Australia's economy; if not, why not.
- (3) Is it his objective to reduce Australia's greenhouse gas emissions.
- (4) Will Australia's net greenhouse gas emissions begin to decline under current government policy.
- (5) Has the Department of the Environment and Heritage made projections to establish the year by which Australia's greenhouse gas emissions will begin to decline under current government policy; if so, when will emissions decline; if not, why not.
- (6) What is the estimated proportion of Australia's vulnerable, threatened and endangered species and ecological communities that will be adversely influenced by climate change.
- (7) Has he been advised as to the adverse impacts of climate change on Australian biodiversity; if so, what is that advice; if not, why has he not sought such advice.
- (8) Has he received advice about the extinction of Australian species due to climate change; if, so what is that advice; if not, why has he not sought such advice.

### 5005 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) How many shipments of Iraqi oil has Australia received since 1997.
- (2) Since 1997, what were the (a) names and (b) arrival dates of ships carrying Iraqi oil to Australia.
- (3) What is the total volume of Iraqi oil imported by Australia since 1997.
- (4) What Iraqi products other than oil have been imported into Australia since 1997 and what were the arrival dates of each shipment.
- (5) With the exception of the seven matters currently being investigated by the Australian Federal Police, can he guarantee that all Iraqi imports to Australia since 1997 complied fully with the UN Oil for Food program and did not breach Australia's international obligations; if so, will he now provide that assurance.
- MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5014 5032)— (1) For 2006, what was the estimated cost to the Minister's department and agencies of the Graduate Program, including (a) recruitment, (b) program, (c) travel, (d) external training and (e) internal administrative costs.
- (2) At 6 December 2006, what was the retention rate for the department's 2005 Graduate Program intake.
- (3) In 2006, how many Departmental Liaison Officers did the Minister's department and agencies provide to the officers of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries.
- 5014 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5020 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5022 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5023 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5024 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5026 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5030 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5031 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 5035 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—
  - (1) What is the latest advice he has received in respect of the detrimental impacts of climate change upon the Great Barrier Reef and does this advice reflect (a) qualitative or (b) quantitative assessment of deterioration over time; if so, what are those details.
  - (2) For 2006, what demonstrable outcomes have been realized by his department in respect of protecting whales and dolphins.
  - (3) For the financial year 2005-06, (a) what was the total cost to his department of whale and dolphin protection programs and (b) how many full-time equivalent staff worked on those programs.
  - (4) Which Australian indigenous species are most at risk from climate change and what steps has he taken to reduce those risks.

- MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5036 5054)—
- (1) For the remainder of the 2006-07 financial year, how many additional staff does the Minister's department and agencies expect to employ.
- (2) For the 2006-07 financial year to date, what efficiency gains have been made by the Minister's department and agencies.
- 5036 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5040 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5042 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5043 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 5044 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5046 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5048 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5049 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5050 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 5052 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5053 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
  - **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5074 5092)—For each financial year from 1 July 2004, what was the total cost to the Minister's department of all (a) landline and (b) mobile telephone calls.
- 5080 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5083 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5086 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5091 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
  - **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5112 5130)—For each financial year from 1 July 2004, how many instances of trespass have been recorded by the Minister's department, and for each instance of trespass, (a) what type of trespass occurred, (b) what action was taken against the offender and (c) what action was taken to prevent a future occurrence.
- 5121 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5122 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5124 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5130 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5131 5149)—
  - (1) For each financial year from 1 July 2004, what was the total cost to the Minister's department of departmental property reported missing.
  - (2) For the financial year 2005-06, what items of property were reported missing and what was the cost of each.
- 5137 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5140 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5141 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5143 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5148 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5150 5168)—
  - (1) For each financial year from 1 July 2004, what sum has the Minister's department spent on fuel.
  - (2) How many cars does the department currently own or lease and how many of those cars run on LPG.
  - (3) Does the department plan to purchase any cars that run on LPG or to convert cars running on petrol to LPG.
- 5150 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5156 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.

- 5159 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5160 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5162 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5163 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5167 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5169 5187)—
  - For each financial year from 1 July 2004, what was the total cost of paper purchased by the Minister's department.
  - (2) Does the department have policies relating to duplex printing; if so, what are those details.
- 5178 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5179 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5181 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
  - **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5189 5207)—Is the Minister's department considering the use of auto-population computer technology that would enable the exchange of personal details and particulars of individuals between departments; if so, (a) with which departments and (b) what personal details are proposed to be shared.
- 5195 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5199 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5201 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5205 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5206 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5208 5226)—
  - (1) For each financial year since 1 July 2004, what sum has the Minister's department spent on (a) electricity and (b) water.
  - (2) Since 1 July 2000, what measures has the department instigated to reduce electricity and water usage.
- 5212 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5218 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5220 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5221 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5223 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 5225 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
  - MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5227 5256)—
  - (1) Since 1 July 2005, how many Questions in Writing has the Minister received.
  - (2) In respect of the questions referred to in Part (1), what proportion has been fully answered and how many are yet to be answered.
- 5227 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5228 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 5229 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 5230 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 5231 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5232 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 5233 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5234 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 5235 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5236 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5238 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 5239 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.

- 5240 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5241 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 5242 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 5243 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5244 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs.
- 5245 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for the Arts and Sport.
- 5246 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 5247 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Fisheries, Forestry and Conservation.
- 5248 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Vocational and Technical Education.
- 5249 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Small Business and Tourism.
- 5250 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Local Government, Territories and Roads.
- 5251 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer.
- 5252 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Community Services.
- 5254 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
- 5255 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Special Minister of State.
- 5256 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Ageing.
- 5258 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—What reviews have been conducted by Centrelink and what changes have been made since (a) 16 year-old leukaemia sufferer, Matthew Pearce, was refused the Disability Support Pension because leukaemia was not deemed to be a permanent disability and (b) the parents of 4 year-old Hugo Bouhaniche were refused a carer's payment because their son's medical condition, comprising cancer and a congenital heart malformation, was "not at the level of severity where Carer payment is payable".

### MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5259 - 5277)—

- (1) What advertising campaigns are being currently conducted by the Minister's department, and for each campaign identified, (a) what was the commencement date, (b) when will it conclude, (c) what is its purpose and (d) what is its total estimated cost, including market research and analysis, direct mailing, public relations, creative, call centres, media placement and all other costs.
- (2) What advertising campaigns are planned for commencement before 1 July 2007, and for each campaign identified, (a) when will it commence, (b) when will it conclude, (c) what is its purpose and (d) what is its total estimated cost, including market research and analysis, direct mailing, public relations, creative, call centres, media placement and all other costs.
- 5260 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 5261 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer.
- 5262 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 5263 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5264 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 5265 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5266 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 5267 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5268 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5269 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5270 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 5271 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5272 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5273 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 5274 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 5275 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.

- 5276 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 5277 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
- 5288 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—
  - (1) How many ministerial speeches were drafted by the Department of Human Services and/or any human services agency in (a) 2005 and (b) 2006.
  - (2) How many approximate hours did it take departmental and/or human services agency staff to draft all media releases in (a) 2005 and (b) 2006.
  - (3) What was the estimated cost to the department and/or human services agencies of drafting all media releases in (a) 2005 and (b) 2006.
  - (4) Have any media releases drafted by departmental and/or human services agency staff been critical of ALP policy, statements or members.

## 6 February 2007

- 5295 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Prime Minister—
  - (1) For (a) 2004 and (b) 2005, what was the (i) date and (ii) time of each meeting conducted between Mr Trevor Flugge and him or his staff.
  - (2) Were possible changes to section 23AG of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* discussed at any of the meetings identified in Part (1).
- 5322 **MS GEORGE:** To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources—In respect of Commonwealth grants provided under the Port Kembla Industry Facilitation Fund (PKIFF): (a) for each grant recipient, what was (i) the name and address of the company, (ii) the nature of the project, (iii) the amount of the grant, (iv) the amount contributed to the project by the company and (v) the estimated number of direct and indirect jobs resulting from the project; (b) how many applications were received in total and what was the estimated total funding sought from the PKIFF; (c) for each unsuccessful application, what was (i) the name of the company and (ii) the nature of the proposed project; and (d) by what methods did his department assess the degree to which each of the projects funded will provide sustainable new job opportunities in the area.
- 5325 MS GEORGE: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—
  - (1) For each July since 1996, how many people were receiving Newstart Allowance (a) in the federal electorate of Throsby and (b) in the postcode area (i) 2502, (ii) 2505, (iii) 2506, (iv) 2526, (v) 2527, (vi) 2528, (vii) 2529 and (viii) 2530.
  - (2) For each July since 1996, what was the average length of time that an individual was in receipt of the Newstart allowance (a) in the federal electorate of Throsby and (b) in the postcode area (i) 2502, (ii) 2505, (iii) 2506, (iv) 2526, (v) 2527, (vi) 2528, (vii) 2529 and (viii) 2530.
  - (3) According to the most recent data available, how many residents in (a) the federal electorate of Throsby, (b) the postcode area 2502, (c) the postcode area 2505, (d) the postcode area 2506, (e) the postcode area 2526, (f) the postcode area 2527, (g) the postcode area 2528, (h) the postcode area 2529 and (i) the postcode area 2530 have been receiving the Newstart Allowance for longer than (i) 12 months, (ii) two years or (iii) five years.
- 5331 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—In respect of the Commonwealth's Flagpole Funding Initiative and 2006 guidelines, and the application by Erskine Park High School for funding under the initiative: (a) did her department receive a call from Erskine Park High School regarding a flag-raising ceremony proposed for 1 December 2006; if so, what advice was given to the school, particularly in respect of the attendance of a government representative; (b) was there any further communication between her department and Erskine Park High School regarding the attendance of a government representative at the flag-raising ceremony; if so (i) when did the communication occur and (ii) what advice was given by the department; (c) is she aware that no government representative was present at the flag-raising ceremony despite advice from her department that a government representative would be in attendance; (d) is she further aware that the ceremony was delayed while the school community waited for a government representative to arrive; and (e) will she consider allowing schools to use the \$1,500 Flagpole Funding grant to purchase two smaller flag poles in place of one flag pole, if one pole flies the Australian national flag while the second pole flies the Aboriginal flag, and the combined cost of the two flag poles is less than, or equal to, the cost of one full-sized flag pole; if not, why not.
- 5334 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Prime Minister—In respect of the diversion of the RAAF VIP jet to Broome during the Prime Minister's return from the East Asian Summit held in the Philippines in January 2007: (a) what was the cost of the RAAF VIP jet flying from Broome to the east coast, returning to Broome and

then proceeding to Brisbane and (b) what was the amount of the Prime Minister's personal contribution to the cost of this trip.

# 7 *February* 2007

## 5348 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) What information does the Government have in respect of the 2,600 UK personnel that are to be withdrawn from Iraq.
- (2) Does the Government know which UK capabilities will be withdrawn as part of this process; if so, what are the details.
- (3) Are any UK logistical, air, artillery, or other capabilities currently deployed to support Australian personnel in Dhi Qar province; if not, could such capabilities be used to support Australian personnel in that province; if so, can the Government confirm that they will not be withdrawn.
- (4) Will the withdrawal of UK troops in southern Iraq affect any aspect of support that is currently provided to Australian troops in Dhi Qar province; if so, (a) which support functions will it affect and (b) will these support functions be replaced by other capabilities.

## 5368 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) Can he confirm that Airservices Australia is a portfolio agency of the Department of Transport and Regional Services; if not, why not.
- (2) Can he confirm that the Noise Enquiry Service at Sydney Airport is a function of Airservices Australia; if not, why not.
- (3) Can he advise how many complaints, comments and enquiries were received by the Noise Enquiry Service for each month in (a) 2004, (b) 2005 and (c) 2006; if not, why not.
- (4) Can he advise how many of the complaints, comments and enquiries identified in Part (2) were in relation to aircraft operations and noise associated with flights using Sydney and Bankstown Airports; if not, why not.
- (5) Have any of the complaints, comments or enquiries identified in Part (2) necessitated further investigations; if so, (a) what was the nature of each of the complaints, comments or enquiries that was further investigated, (b) which government agencies, government departments or other organisations conducted these investigations, (c) what was the approximate length of time taken to complete each investigation and (d) what were the findings, conclusions and/or recommendations in respect of each complaint, comment and/or enquiry that was further investigated; if not, why not.
- (6) In respect of those complaints, comments or enquiries that are not further investigated, what action is taken by the Noise Enquiry Service.

# 8 February 2007

## MS GEORGE: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5373 - 5385)—

- (1) In respect of the federal electorate of Throsby, will the Minister provide details of the programs administered by his/her department and relevant agencies under which community organisations, businesses or individuals can apply for funding.
- (2) In respect of each Commonwealth-funded program identified in Part (1), (a) what sum was allocated, in total, to eligible participants in the federal electorate of Throsby in (i) 2005 and (ii) 2006; (b) what is the name and address of each of the funding recipients and (c) what sum was allocated to each of them in (i) 2005 and (ii) 2006.
- 5374 MS GEORGE: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 5376 MS GEORGE: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 5377 **MS GEORGE:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5381 MS GEORGE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 5383 MS GEORGE: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5386 MR A. S. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—Further to the response to question No. 3476 (*Hansard*, 11 September 2006, page 167), for each financial year from 1996-1997 to 2005-2006, can he advise (a) the approximate number of visas issued and (b) the number of persons granted permanent residency for the visa subclass (i) 160-business owner (provisional); (ii) 163-State/Territory sponsored business owner (provisional); (iii) 411-exchange; (iv) 416-special programs; (v) 417-working holiday (temporary); (vi) 418-educational; (vii) 419-visiting academic;

(viii) 420-entertainment; (ix) 421-sport; (x) 422-medical practitioner; (xi) 423-media and film staff; (xii) 426-domestic work temporary diplomatic or consular; (xiii) 442-occupation trainee; (xiv) 457-business (long stay); and (xv) 462-working and holiday (temporary).

# 12 February 2007

- 5391 **MS K. M. ELLIS:** To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—In respect of the offices of the Department of the Environment in the John Gorton Building, Canberra: (a) what measures, if any, have been taken to reduce the adverse environmental impact of the offices and when was each identified initiative implemented; (b) how many light bulbs are fitted in the offices; (c) how many of the fitted light bulbs are compact fluorescent light bulbs and when were they installed; (d) do the offices source energy from solar power; if so, what percentage of total energy use does this supply and where are the solar units installed; (e) do the offices have a solar hot water system; if so, what percentage of total hot water use does this supply; (f) does the air conditioning system used at the offices have an energy rating; if so, what is that rating; and (g) what was the total electricity usage of the offices in (i) 2004, (ii) 2005 and (iii) 2006.
- 5396 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—For each suburb in the federal electorate of Hindmarsh, which streets are unable to access broadband, why is broadband unavailable in those streets and what is being done to remedy the situation.
- 5407 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—
  - (1) Can he confirm that (a) the United States, (b) China and (c) the European Union have proposed, or have implemented, carbon dioxide emission standards for passenger motor vehicles and trucks; if not, why not.
  - (2) Will the Government set carbon dioxide emission standards for motor vehicles imported to Australia; if so, how; if not, why not.
  - (3) Will the Government set carbon dioxide emission standards for motor vehicles exported from Australia; if so, how; if not, why not.

# 14 February 2007

- 5419 MS BIRD: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—
  - (1) Further to the response to question No. 4750 (*Hansard*, 2 November, 2006, page 179), can he provide updated information on the number of Australian Workplace Agreements (AWAs) lodged with the Office of the Employment Advocate under the WorkChoices legislation in the period 27 March 2006 to 12 February 2007 in the federal electorate of (a) Cunningham, (b) Throsby and (c) Gilmore.
  - (2) How many AWAs have been lodged and registered since 27 March, 2006 by employers located in the postcode area (a) 2500, (b) 2508, (c) 2515, (d) 2516, (e) 2517, (f) 2518, (g) 2519, (h) 2525 and (i) 2526.
- 5429 MR MELHAM: To ask the Attorney-General—
  - (1) What protocol, agreement or arrangement between the Australian and United States governments governs the operations of United States Secret Service personnel accompanying the United States President, Vice President and/or Cabinet members during visits to Australia.
  - (2) Are United States Secret Service personnel permitted to carry firearms when accompanying the United States President, Vice President and/or Cabinet members during visits to Australia.
  - (3) What arrangements are in place concerning civil and criminal liability in relation to actions by United States Secret Service agents in Australia.
- 5430 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Minister for Defence—Further to the response to question 380 (*Hansard*, 10 February 2005, page 172), (a) which Australian ports are currently approved to receive visits by nuclear powered warships and (b) when was the suitability of each port to receive such visits last re-validated.
- 5431 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Minister for Defence—Since March 1996, on which dates have meetings of the Visiting Ships Panel (Nuclear) been held.
  - **MS MACKLIN:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5433 5434)—Does the Minister's department provide any funding for baby or infant sleep programs; if so, (a) what are those programs, (b) by whom are they delivered, (c) under which Budget output group and program line are they funded and (d) what funding amount is committed to these programs (i) in the current budget year and (ii) across the forward estimates period.

- 5435 **MR BEVIS:** To ask the Minister for Defence—How many sea-going billets are there in the Royal Australian Navy.
- 5438 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Has he read an editorial titled "Too many early arrivals", which appeared in the *Sydney Morning Herald* on 21 June 2006; if not, why not.
  - (2) Can he confirm that part of the editorial that said airlines "shy away from [overseas] departures later than midnight, and prefer earlier ones where possible. For Sydney, the effect of that scheduling preference is a high demand for landing slots close to 6 a.m.".
  - (3) Can he advise how many international passenger flights have landed at Sydney Airport during the airport curfew hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. identified in Division 1 of the *Sydney Airport Curfew Act* 1995 in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, (f) 2005 and (g) 2006.
  - (4) In respect of each incident identified in Part (3), (a) what was the time and date of each landing, (b) what reasons were provided for landing during curfew hours, and (c) which runway was used.
  - (5) Have any fines been issued for any of the incidents identified in Part (3); if so, (a) for which incident was each fine issued, (b) to whom was each fine issued, and (c) what was the amount of each fine; if not, why not.
- 5439 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Can he advise how many international passenger flights have taken off from Sydney Airport during airport curfew hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. identified in Division 1 of the *Sydney Airport Curfew Act* 1995 in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, (f) 2005 and (g) 2006.
  - (2) In respect of each incident identified in Part (1), (a) what was the date and time of each take-off, (b) what reasons were provided for taking-off during curfew hours, and (c) which runway was used.
  - (3) Have any fines been issued for any of the incidents identified in Part (1); if so, (a) for which incident was each fine issued, (b) to whom was each fine issued, and (c) what was the amount of each fine; if not, why not.

# 15 February 2007

- 5448 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Minister for Defence—Further to the response to question No. 4990 concerning the Defence property located at Allara Street in Civic, ACT, what was the "original purpose of the site from the late 1960s to early 1970s".
- 5454 MR KERR: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—Calculated on the assumption that at least eight hours (one standard working day) is required for a person to be classified as employed, (a) what is Australia's unemployment level and (b) what is the employment level in the federal electorate of (i) Bass, (ii) Braddon, (iii) Denison, (iv) Franklin and (v) Lyons; if he is unable to provide a specific numerical answer based on Australian Bureau of Statistics data, what is his department's best estimate of those rates.
- 5455 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Has he read an article titled "Air curfew breached every day", which appeared in the *Daily Telegraph* on 12 February 2007; if not, why not.
  - (2) Is he aware of that part of the article that states: "up to 25 flights a week arrive outside the curfew hours"; if not, why not.
  - (3) Can he advise how many international passenger flights have landed at Sydney Airport between (a) 11 p.m. and midnight and (b) 5 a.m. and 6 a.m. in (i) 2000, (ii) 2001, (iii) 2002, (iv) 2003, (v) 2004, (vi) 2005 and (vii) 2006; if not, why not.
- 5459 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Can the Minister advise which streets and/or suburbs in the federal electorate of Lowe are unable to access (a) ADSL, (b) ADSL 2 and (c) cable broadband; if not, why not.
  - (2) For each of those streets and/or suburbs identified in Part (1), can the Minister advise why (a) ADSL, (b) ADSL 2 and (c) cable broadband is unavailable to those residents; if not, why not.
- 5460 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Can the Minister confirm that the National Broadband Strategy included a strategy to fix broadband black spots in metropolitan areas; if not, why not.

- (2) Can the Minister advise which federal electorates have received funding to fix broadband black spots under the National Broadband Strategy; if not, why not.
- (3) For each federal electorate identified in Part (2), can the Minister advise (a) what sum was received and (b) when.

# 26 February 2007

- 5461 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—How many persons currently in Australia have held temporary diplomatic or consular visas for in excess of (a) 5 years, (b) 10 years and (c) 15 years.
- 5466 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Minister for Defence—Is it technically feasible to upgrade the capability of the F111 to incorporate a link 16 (networkcentric) capability; if so, what is the cost.
- 5467 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Minister for Defence—Is the time required for deeper level maintenance of the F111 increasing beyond normal variance.
- 5471 **MS LIVERMORE:** To ask the Minister for Defence—
  - (1) In respect of the Shoalwater Bay Military Training Area: (a) what locations were advertised as places from which members of the public could access hard copies of the Public Environment Report (PER) on the planned Joint Combined Training Capability enhancements at Shoalwater Bay Training Area; (b) at which of the identified locations were hard copies of the PER available during the public consultation period; and (c) why were hard copies of the PER not available at all of the advertised locations during the public consultation period.
  - (2) What risk assessment process has been undertaken in respect of activities in and around the Shoalwater Bay Training Area during preparations for, and the conduct of, the Joint Combined Training Exercise, Talisman Sabre 2007, and did that risk assessment process include consideration of risks to non-military personnel and property in the vicinity of the Shoalwater Bay Training Area.
  - (3) What provision has been made for local emergency services to notify and/or evacuate residents in the event of an accident involving the release of radioactive material from any nuclear-powered vessel used during the Talisman Sabre 2007 exercise.
  - (3) What form of environmental impact assessment has been undertaken in respect of (a) the construction of an airstrip at Bradshaw Field Training Area in the Northern Territory during Exercise Talisman Sabre 2007 and (b) activities at the Shoalwater Bay Training Area during preparations for, and the conduct of, Exercise Talisman Sabre 2007.
  - (4) Can he provide details of all instances in which the Australian Defence Force has used munitions containing depleted uranium at sea.
  - (5) Will sewerage facilities used during Talisman Sabre 2007 drain directly or indirectly into a Ramsar-listed wetland; if not, how will this be prevented; if so, what measures will be taken to monitor the discharge and protect the local environment.
- 5473 MS MACKLIN: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—
  - (1) Has he, or his department, placed a moratorium on the approval of 'in-venue' family day care services in Victoria; if so, (a) by whom was the decision made and on what date, (b) what is the policy justification for the moratorium and (c) is the decision under review.
  - (2) How many 'in-venue' family day care services are currently operational in each State and Territory.

# 27 February 2007

# 5481 MS K. M. ELLIS: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) In respect of the Prime Minister's residence at Kirribilli House: (a) what measures, if any, have been taken to reduce the adverse environmental impact of the residence and when was each identified initiative implemented; (b) how many light bulbs are fitted in Kirribilli House; (c) how many of the fitted light bulbs are compact fluorescent light bulbs and when were they installed; (d) does the residence source energy from solar power; if so, what percentage of total energy use does this supply and where are the solar units installed; (e) how many litres of water does the residence use per annum; (f) does the residence have a solar hot water system; if so, what percentage of total hot water use does this supply; (g) does the air conditioning system used at the residence have an energy rating; if so, what is that rating; and (h) what was the total electricity usage of the residence in (i) 2004, (ii) 2005 and (iii) 2006.
- (2) In respect of the Prime Minister's residence at The Lodge: (a) what measures, if any, have been taken to reduce the adverse environmental impact of the residence and when was each identified initiative

implemented; (b) how many light bulbs are fitted in The Lodge; (c) how many of the fitted light bulbs are compact fluorescent light bulbs and when were they installed; (d) does the residence source energy from solar power; if so, what percentage of total energy use does this supply and where are the solar units installed; (e) how many litres of water does the residence use per annum; (f) does the residence have a solar hot water system; if so, what percentage of total hot water use does this supply; (g) does the air conditioning system used at the residence have an energy rating; if so, what is that rating; and (h) what was the total electricity usage of the residence in (i) 2004, (ii) 2005 and (iii) 2006.

#### 5483 MR ALBANESE: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs—

- (1) How many Australian service people saw active service during the Vietnam War and what was the average length of service.
- (2) What is the (a) number and (b) percentage of Vietnam veterans now receiving the Totally and Permanently Incapacitated pension.

#### 5484 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) In respect of the report on the future of Borneo Barracks and associated socio-economic impacts, (a) when will it be publicly released and (b) what are its principal findings.
- (2) What is the reason for the delay between the report being received by his department and its consideration and release.

# 28 February 2007

5495 **MS MACKLIN:** To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—Support for Families: (a) how many different families or childcare support and/or funding programs are operated on a contestable funding basis; (b) for each program identified in Part (a), what is the budget for (i) the current financial year and (ii) each financial year of the forward estimates period; and (c) what part of the sum allocated for the forward estimates period has already been committed.

#### 5498 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) How many written applications have been made by the holder of an international airline licence to the Secretary of his department to approve (a) a take-off from and (b) a landing at Sydney Airport between 11 p.m. and midnight in (i) 2000, (ii) 2001, (iii) 2002, (iv) 2003, (v) 2004, (vi) 2005 and (vii) 2006.
- (2) How many written applications have been made by the holder of an international airline licence to the Secretary of his department to approve (a) a take-off from and (b) a landing at Sydney Airport between 5 a.m. and 6 a.m. in (i) 2000, (ii) 2001, (iii) 2002, (iv) 2003, (v) 2004, (vi) 2005 and (vii) 2006.

#### 1 March 2007

- 5507 **MS OWENS:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Can the Minister advise which streets and/or suburbs in the federal electorate of Parramatta are unable to access (a) ADSL, (b) ADSL 2 and (c) cable broadband; if not, why not.
  - (2) For each street and/or suburb identified in Part (1), can the Minister advise why (a) ADSL, (b) ADSL 2 and (c) cable broadband is unavailable to those residents; if not, why not.

# 5510 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Does the Defence Housing Authority (DHA) engage in the marketing of properties for sale and lease.
- (2) For each State and Territory, (a) since 2005, how many properties has the DHA sold and/or managed and (b) how many DHA staff are registered as real estate agents.
- (3) Have DHA staff advertised DHA properties for sale with stamp duty exemptions; if so, (a) how many properties and (b) on which date/s.

# 20 March 2007

MS MACKLIN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5521 - 5523)—Does the Minister's department provide any funding to support children with autism; if so (a) what is the nature of the funding program/s, (b) what sum is allocated under each program (i) for the current Budget year and (ii) across the forward estimates period and (c) for each program identified, what sum has already been spent or committed.

- 5523 MS MACKLIN: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5524 MR ANDREN: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—
  - (1) Is it government policy to allow or encourage private organisations, such as Water & Energy Savers (Vic) Pty Ltd, to contact schools on the eastern seaboard in New South Wales and to offer to prepare Community Water Grant applications in exchange for payment.
  - (2) Is it permissible under the Community Water Grants guidelines for schools that receive a Community Water Grant on the basis of an application prepared by Water & Energy Savers (Vic) Pty Ltd to pay that company a management fee of 15 per cent of the total grant received.
  - (3) Is the provision of generic letters of support drafted by organisations such as Water & Energy Savers (Vic) Pty Ltd, but signed by Members of Parliament (a) permitted under the Community Water Grants guidelines and (b) regarded by him and his department as satisfactory evidence of the worthiness of projects for public funding.
  - (4) In respect of the practice outlined in Part (3), (a) is it encouraged by the Government and (b) how many organisations are engaged in such activity.
  - (5) Can the department provide the total sum of grants money received as commission by private organisations of the type identified in Part (3) for the (a) 2005-06 financial year, and (b) the 2006-07 financial year to date; if not, why not.
- 5527 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—What consultation, if any, has taken place with State and Territory governments, maritime employees and unions in respect of the ratification of the International Labour Organisation's Maritime Labour convention and when will Australia ratify the convention.
- 5534 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—In respect of the operation of Avalon Airport: (a) when did Jetstar commence regular passenger services; (b) on which date was Avalon Airport first required to introduce Control Tower and Fire Services and when did each service become operational; and (c) for each financial year that Avalon Airport has operated regular passenger services, how many passengers has the airport handled.
- 5536 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—In respect of the upgrade of the Pacific Highway: (a) for each financial year since 1995-96, (i) what sum has been allocated for the upgrade of the highway by the New South Wales and Commonwealth governments and (ii) what work has been carried out; and (b) what sum is allocated beyond the 2006-07 financial year and what work will be undertaken for that sum.
- 5539 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—In respect of the Community Water Grants program: (a) when did the program commence; (b) for each federal electoral division, (i) what grants have been made and (ii) what was the date of each grant; and (c) has his department made any suggestion to applicants that their grant applications are more likely to be successful if they use a consultant; if so, why.
- 5542 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (1) Has his department issued instruction/s or guidelines for the use of nomenclature in respect of Australian residents, or visitors to Australia, from particular countries; if so, (a) what instructions or guidelines have been issued, (b) does the nomenclature contain references to persons by race, ethnicity or language, (c) what is the nomenclature that is to be used under each instruction or guideline and (d) which, if any, of the instructions or guidelines remain operative.
  - (2) Has he and/or his department sought advice in respect of the lawfulness and/or appropriateness of any such instructions or guidelines and whether the use of any such nomenclature is consistent with Australia's international treaty obligations; if so, will he provide a copy of any such advice that has been received in respect of this matter.
  - (3) Has any State or Territory government adopted the use of the nomenclature in compliance with instructions or guidelines; if so (a) which government/s and (b) under what circumstances is the nomenclature to be used.

# 21 March 2007

5551 **MR McCLELLAND:** To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs—Is he aware of allegations that the totally and permanently incapacitated pension for veterans has lost value compared with other pensions and is continuing to lose value; if so, is this the case and does the Government intend to rectify the situation.

#### 5554 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) In view of the high passenger numbers at Avalon Airport, what consideration has the Government given to requiring the airport to cease operating in uncontrolled airspace and to commence operating with a crewed control tower.
- (2) Can he confirm that the Avalon Airport control tower currently operates only during military training activities, the movement of foreign airlines for maintenance flights, the Grand Prix and the Air Show.

#### 5555 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) On what basis did the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) issue the instrument CASA EX 06/07 exempting Airservices Australia from the requirement to establish Hot Fire Training facilities at Avalon Airport.
- (2) Prior to issue of the instrument CASA EX 06/07 by CASA, what consultation was undertaken to determine that Avalon Airport should be exempt from the need to establish Hot Fire Training facilities, and with whom.
- MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5557 5558)—In respect of the lease of Avalon Airport to Foxerco Pty Ltd in 1997 for \$1.5 million on a 50-year contract with a forty-nine year option, (a) what was the basis of the formula that determines the annual airfield lease payments and (b) what payments have been received from Foxerco Pty Ltd for each financial year since the initial lease of the airport.
- 5557 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5560 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Small Business and Tourism—In respect of the decision to undertake polling to assess the success of Tourism Australia's international campaign: (a) when was the decision made; (b) by whom was the polling commissioned; (c) what is the scope of the polling and which key markets have been assessed; (d) what is the total cost of the polling to date; and (e) is it anticipated that further polling will be undertaken; if so, what financial resources have been allocated for this purpose.

#### 5565 MS BIRD: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Is he aware of legal opinion that holds that the imposition of penalty fees by Australian banks may be unlawful.
- (2) Can he say which Commonwealth department, agency or statutory authority has responsibility for legislation and regulation of general bank fees, charges and the imposition of penalty fees; if not, why not

# 5567 MS MACKLIN: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—

- (1) For each year since 2000, how many approved childcare services has his department found to be non-compliant with the requirement to (a) issue childcare service receipts in accordance with section 219E of the *A New Tax System (Family Assistance) (Administration) Act 1999* (the Act) and associated statutory rules, (b) keep specified records for 36 months in accordance with sections 219F and 219G of the Act and associated statutory rules and (c) keep children's attendance records in accordance with section 219F of the Act and associated statutory rules.
- (2) How many of the non-compliant services identified in Part (1) have been sanctioned under the relevant Act, and what penalties were imposed in each case.

### 5568 MS MACKLIN: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—

- (1) For each year since 2000, how many approved childcare services have refused consent for an authorised officer to enter their premises to inspect documents required to be kept by the service in accordance with section 219K of the *A New Tax System (Family Assistance) (Administration) Act 1999* and associated statutory rules.
- (2) How many of the non-compliant services identified in Part (1) have been sanctioned under the relevant Act, and what penalties were imposed in each case.

#### 5569 MS GEORGE: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs—

- (1) How many Vietnam veterans died in (a) 2006 and (b) the first two months of 2007.
- (2) Of the total number of deaths among Vietnam veterans since January 2006, how many were aged (a) 65 and over or (b) under 65.
- (3) Is the mortality rate of Vietnam veterans higher than that of their civilian counterparts for those aged (a) 65 and over or (b) under 65.

- 5572 MR KATTER: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Is he aware of the commitment made by the Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister for Transport and Regional Services prior to the 2004 Federal election to provide \$128 million to elevate the Murray Flats section of the National Highway south of Tully.
  - (2) Is he aware that three years have passed, but road works have not commenced on this section of highway.
  - (3) If the State Government is responsible for these delays, has the Federal Government considered, as on previous occasions, calling for tenders from private enterprise for the design, planning and construction of the project; if not, why not.
  - (4) Is he aware that some \$200 million was announced two years ago for road improvements between Townsville and Cairns; if so, what amount, if any, of this \$200 million has been expended to date and on what sections of the highway has upgrading taken place.
  - (5) Is he aware the Townsville-Thuringowa road access is being burdened by another 5,000 subdivisions currently in progress; if so, in view of this and the currently inadequate Northern Beaches-Deeragun Road access, could he advise whether the \$40 million, which was announced in the media, has been allocated; if not, when will it be allocated.
- 5574 MR KATTER: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—
  - (1) Can he move to end the apparent discrimination against prisoners of war imprisoned by Japanese forces during World War II who are required to pass a means test in order to obtain social security benefits, while those incarcerated by German forces are not subject to means testing.
  - (2) Does he acknowledge that Australian taxpayers would not begrudge the small number of former prisoners of war some additional compensation through the relaxation of the social security income test, which would help them to meet the considerable burden of health, medical and other necessitous outlays.

# 22 March 2007

5580 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Minister for Defence—What is the estimated level of liability in current prices for future retirement or invalidity benefit payments to members of military superannuation schemes for (a) 2010, (b) 2015, (c) 2020, (d) 2025 and (e) 2030 and what proportion of these retirement and invalidity benefits will be sourced from funded schemes.

# 26 March 2007

- 5591 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Treasurer—Further to his response to question No. 4901 (*Hansard*, 20 March 2007, page 82):
  - (1) can he provide the sum of withholding tax revenue that was collected from Australian source income paid from funds managed in Australia to non-resident investors for the financial year (i) 2001-02, (ii) 2002-03, (iii) 2003-04, (iv) 2004-05, and (v) 2005-06; and
  - (2) if this information is not collected by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), (a) does this expose a deficiency in the ATO's tax collection and revenue monitoring ability, (b) how does Treasury provide sound advice to Government on the measurement and management of Australia's withholding tax regime and (c) does his inability to provide this information have future policy and budget implications, should it become necessary to compare the taxation treatment of non-resident investors and review Australia's withholding tax regime in order to bring it into line with other Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development countries.
- 5598 **MS MACKLIN:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Does the ABC have any guidelines for encouraging Indigenous content; if so, (a) what are those details and (b) do the guidelines include targets for the amount of Indigenous content and what are those targets; if not; did the ABC formerly have any guidelines for encouraging Indigenous content.
  - (2) How many people does the ABC employ and what number of those people are Indigenous.
  - (3) Does the ABC have an Indigenous employment strategy; if so, what are those details.
- 5600 **MS MACKLIN:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Has there been an assessment of ABC coverage in remote areas of Australia; if so, (a) on what date was it carried out and (b) what were the detailed results.

(2) Will the Minster provide available data on ABC coverage in remote Indigenous communities, including, but not limited to, (a) the number of remote Indigenous communities that can access ABC TV and radio and (b) the number of remote Indigenous communities that do not have access to ABC TV and radio.

#### 27 March 2007

5605 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—For each week in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, (f) 2005 and (g) 2006, on how may occasions did international passenger aircraft (i) take-off from or (ii) land at Sydney Airport between 11 p.m. and midnight.

### 28 March 2007

5623 **MR BEVIS:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—Further to his response to question No. 4090 (*Hansard*, 26 March 2007, page 102), what was the nature of each of the breaches or failures that led to the non-compliance reports listed.

#### 29 March 2007

- 5629 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—
  - (1) What sum of Commonwealth funding has been granted to Coverdale Christian School Limited, Riverstone, NSW, since 2000.
  - (2) Since 2000, has her department been made aware of allegations of financial or educational failings at the school; if so, what investigations have been undertaken.
  - (3) Did Coverdale Christian School Limited accumulate a debt of \$14 million.
  - (4) How does her department ensure the proper expenditure of its grant funds.
  - (5) Has her department ensured that the monies granted to Coverdale Christian School Limited have been properly accounted for; if so, how.
- 5630 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—Is his department aware of the inability of Coverdale Christian School Limited to pay the entitlements owing to approximately 40 staff members who were made redundant at the end of 2006; if so, what investigations have been instigated into the school's lack of accountability in this matter.
- 5632 MR ALBANESE: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—Can he confirm whether there is a minimum altitude that aircraft are required to maintain during each stage of arrival at, and departure from, Sydney Airport; if so, what are the details of the minimum altitude requirements for aircraft at each stage during (a) arrival at and (b) departure from Sydney Airport, and how are these requirements enforced.
- 5644 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—
  - (1) What are the (a) current and (b) new bands for rental expenses for each rank group in each major defence area
  - (2) Do Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel pay higher rent in expensive cities than in remote locations; if so, are ADF wages subsidised to meet any additional cost.
  - (3) What fringe benefits tax expenses are paid by the Defence Housing Authority or the Department of Defence in respect of the subsidisation of rental accommodation for ADF personnel.
- MS OWENS: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—In 2006, for persons living in the postcode area (a) 2115, (b) 2116, (c) 2117, (d) 2118, (e) 2142, (f) 2145, (g) 2146, (h) 2147, (i) 2148, (j) 2150, (k) 2151, (l) 2152 and (m) 2153: (i) how many single persons with no dependants filled enough prescriptions to be eligible for cheaper medicines under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) Safety Net; (ii) how many single persons with dependants filled enough prescriptions to be eligible for cheaper medicines under the PBS Safety Net; (iii) how many persons in a couple with no dependants filled enough prescriptions to be eligible for cheaper medicines under the PBS Safety Net; and (iv) how many persons in a couple with dependants filled enough prescriptions to be eligible for cheaper medicines under the PBS Safety Net.
- 5655 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—
  - (1) What is the Government doing to strengthen the misuse of market-power provisions reflected in section 46 of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*, particularly as it relates to the potential massive concentration of media ownership in Australia when the *Broadcasting Services Amendment (Media Ownership) Bill 2006* is proclaimed.

- (2) What is the Government doing to strengthen the prohibition of acquisitions that would result in a substantial lessening of competition provisions reflected in section 50 of the *Trade Practices Act* 1974, particularly as it relates to potential massive concentration of media ownership in Australia when the *Broadcasting Services Amendment (Media Ownership) Bill 2006* is proclaimed.
- 5656 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—Will he investigate whether ministerial staff from the office of the former Minister for the Environment and Heritage, Senator the Hon. Ian Campbell, had spoken to managers, scientists or other employees at the CSIRO regarding what scientists can, cannot, should or should not say in the course of their duties; if so, when; if not, why not.
- 5657 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—For each week in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, (f) 2005 and (g) 2006, on how many occasions did international passenger aircraft (i) take-off from or (ii) land at Sydney Airport between 5 a.m. and 6 a.m.
- 5659 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—
  - (1) Why is the Howard Government still refusing to ratify the Kyoto Protocol.
  - (2) Why is the Howard Government still refusing to establish a national emissions trading scheme.
  - (3) Why does the Howard Government not have a plan to cut Australia's greenhouse gas emissions by 60 per cent by 2050.
- 5660 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—
  - (1) Has he read the article titled "Call to put more energy into renewables", which appeared in the *Australian Financial Review*, on 15 August 2006; if not, why not.
  - (2) What funds have been allocated in the 2006-07 Budget for (a) research into and (b) development of renewable energy.
  - (3) Has his department completed (a) an independent report on the cost-benefit of uranium and (b) a cost-benefit report of wind energy; if so, what are the full details of those reports; if not, why not.
  - (4) Is he, or his department, aware of comparative reports on the investment into research and development of renewable energy in other Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development nations; if so, what are the full details of those reports; if not, will he commission such a report and if not, why not.

# 8 May 2007

# 5661 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Vocational and Further Education—

- (1) What sum has been paid to CSA Training Services Incorporated under the Language, Literacy and Numeracy Program for each year from 1999 to 2006 and what was the specific purpose of each contract.
- (2) In respect of CSA Training Services Incorporated: (a) how many sites does the company operate; (b) has his department received any complaints about service delivery; if so, what was the outcome of any investigations undertaken; (c) does the contract with the company specify class sizes; if so what are those details; and (d) have there been complaints, investigations and/or outcomes relating to class size.
- (3) Do contracts with training service providers contain specifications regarding the facilities to be provided by contractors; if so what are those details.
- (4) Have there been complaints about the facilities provided by CSA Training Services Incorporated; if so have they been investigated.
- (5) In respect of services provided by training companies, what arrangements exist to ensure quality control and compliance with contractual specifications.

#### 5662 MR BOWEN: To ask the Treasurer—

(1) In respect of claims made in an article titled 'Crime gang rorts \$5 billion in tax office refunds', which appeared in *The Age* on 26 March 2007: (a) is (i) he, (ii) his department or (iii) the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) aware of the report compiled by member(s) of the ATO's anti-fraud staff on fraudulent Australian Business Number (ABN) registrations and Business Activity Statements (BASs); (b) when was he or his office made aware of (i) the contents of the report and/or (ii) the issues raised in it; (c) what directions did (i) he, (ii) his department or (iii) the ATO give when learning of the report's contents; (d) has (i) he, (ii) his department or (iii) the ATO enacted any of the recommendations contained in the report, if so, what action has been taken; (e) what is his response to the allegation made in the article that "the Tax Office had lost at least \$5 billion since 2003 due to

- weaknesses in the BAS system"; (f) what does he estimate to be the amount of revenue lost due to fraud involving illegally registered companies and tax refund claims for the financial year (i) 2002-03, (ii) 2003-04, (iii) 2004-05, and (iv) 2005-06; and (g) does he intend to tighten the process for (a) registering a company and (b) applying for a tax refund; if so, what action will he take.
- 5669 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—For (a) Australia, (b) South Australia and (c) the federal electorate of Hindmarsh, what are (i) the current percentage and number of people of working age who want to work, but do not have paid work; (ii) the current percentage and number of employed people seeking more work; (iii) the percentage and number of long-term unemployed in the workforce; and (iv) the percentage and number of individuals who are employed on an exclusively (aa) full-time, (bb) part-time and (cc) casual basis.
- 5671 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—Can the Government guarantee that growth hormones used in Australian cattle do not contribute to the development of breast cancer in women; if not (a) how and to what extent are growth hormones injected in Australian cattle likely to contribute to the incidence of breast cancer and (b) what action is the Government taking to reduce any risk that the use of growth hormones in Australian cattle may pose to public health.

#### 5677 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Does the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) conduct periodic audits of businesses to ensure that they are paying the superannuation guarantee to their employees, if not, why not; if so, (a) are the audits random, (b) are the audits unannounced, (c) when have audits been conducted and (d) what sum of unpaid superannuation guarantee, or superannuation guarantee charge, has been recovered as a result of ATO action.
- (2) Does the ATO collect data on, or otherwise estimate, the amount of unpaid superannuation guarantee or superannuation guarantee charge owing to employees that is unrecoverable due to insolvency, transmission of business, or otherwise; if so, what is that sum.
- 5678 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence—Did he, or his department receive a letter dated 7 December 2006 from The Korean War Veterans of Australia Recognition Committee, which sought reconsideration of an earlier determination; if so, did he, or his department, advise that further investigations were pending; and if so, (a) what is the nature of those further investigations and (b) when can these veterans expect a response to their correspondence providing details of his decision in respect of the request for reconsideration.
- 5681 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Minister for Defence—During the past two years, have any contracts for fire inspection services at military sites been outsourced to consultants or commercial entities that have a financial, or other, association with CMS contractors for those sites; if so, (a) to whom were the services outsourced and (b) at what cost.
- 5682 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Minister for Defence—What is the total funding allocation for through-life support of the C17 aircraft as a proportion of the capital cost and within the forward estimates period.
- 5685 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—Can he confirm that the new rental bands for Defence housing are now set on the basis of location; if so, do Defence personnel posted to major metropolitan areas pay more rent than personnel renting comparable properties in non-metropolitan areas; and if so (a) do personnel paying increased rent in metropolitan areas receive reimbursement for the higher living costs resulting from the new rental policy; (b) what provisions exist to permit personnel to refuse a posting to a higher rental area; (c) will Defence personnel salaries be increased to offset the higher living costs; and (d) will Defence housing prices increase at the same rate as local housing prices.
- 5687 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—In respect of his announcement of 29 March 2007, that the sequencing of aircraft programming into Australia would begin that week, (a) what reduction in carbon emissions per annum is expected to be achieved through the initiative, (b) what are the associated costs and (c) which department/authority is administrating the initiative.

# 5688 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) What was the original date, not the re-baselined date, on which HMAS Sydney was expected to return to service after it had been through the Adelaide Class Guided Missile Frigate (FFG) Upgrade program (SEA 1390).
- (2) When is it now anticipated that HMAS Sydney will be accepted back into service with the Royal Australian Navy.
- (3) Is HMAS Sydney currently capable of firing and accurately targeting an SM1 missile.
- (4) When will the upgraded FFGs have the capability to fire SM2 missiles.

- (5) Will the upgraded FFG combat system be capable of supplying the necessary targeting and guidance for an SM2 missile.
- (6) Has the Australian Distributed Architecture Combat System fitted to HMAS Sydney met the originally stipulated capability requirements; if not, which specific requirements has the system failed to meet.
- (7) Does his department still intend to upgrade four FFG frigates; if not, how many will be upgraded.
- (8) What use is being made of the two extra ship sets of upgrade equipment ordered when the intention was to upgrade six FFGs.
- (9) Is his department considering options for abandoning the FFG Upgrade project (SEA 1390).
- (10) What sum has been spent to date on the FFG Upgrade project (SEA 1390).
- (11) What was the original budget for the FFG Upgrade project (SEA 1390).
- (12) Will his department be pursuing liquidated damages from the prime contractor of the FFG Upgrade project (SEA 1390) for delays and specification delivery failures.

#### 5689 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) For the 2006-07 financial year to date, how many flying hours have been accrued by the RAAF's fleet of VIP aircraft (a) in total and (b) for each aircraft.
- (2) What is the operational cost per flying hour of the RAAF's VIP fleet.
- (3) Is his department planning to acquire any larger VIP aircraft.
- (4) What is the expected useful life of each aircraft type in the VIP aircraft fleet.
- 5690 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Small Business and Tourism—In respect of Tourism Australia's consumer marketing activities, will she provide (a) a complete list of all marketing programs in which Tourism Australia is involved, including the Visitor Journalist, Aussie Specialist Travel Agent and Aussie Enthusiast Trade support programs and, for each program identified, (b) a cost break-down showing (i) staffing costs, (ii) recurrent costs and (iii) administration costs.
- 5691 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Small Business and Tourism—Will she provide a list of programs administered through Tourism Australia that include a cost recovery component, indicating for each the sum recouped through cost recovery measures.
- 5692 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Small Business and Tourism—Will she provide a list of all programs administered through Tourism Australia, indicating for each the current expense/revenue and cash forward estimates for the financial year (a) 2006-07, (b) 2007-08, (c) 2008-09 and 2009-10.
- 5698 MS PLIBERSEK: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—
  - (1) In respect of the Fincorp property and finance group, which was placed in voluntary liquidation on 23 March 2007, what arrangements has Centrelink made for Australian investors in Fincorp, who are eligible, based on income assessment, to apply for interim income support during the company's administration.
  - (2) Can existing, or potential, Centrelink clients apply for an interim re-assessment of their assets on the basis that Fincorp holdings were frozen on 23 March 2007 and (a) are no longer providing income, (b) cannot be sold and (c) are worth only a fraction of their pre-administration value.
  - (3) Has the Government asked Fincorp's administrators (a) when unsecured investors might reasonably expect to be repaid any portion of their investment, or (b) how many cents in the dollar unsecured investors might reasonably expect to receive back; if so, what are those details; if not, why not and when will such information be sought.
  - (4) Has there been any other occasion upon which the Government has made interim re-assessments of the assets of Centrelink clients or applicants following the involuntary liquidation of an investment company; if so, what are those details.
- 5701 **MR GIBBONS:** To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—Is he aware of a funding application under the Solar Cities program from the Central Victorian Greenhouse Alliance (CVGA); if so, (a) when was the CVGA submission received, (b) what was the total amount of funding requested by the CVGA, (c) when was the CVGA submission short-listed, (d) when will a decision on the CVGA application be reached and (e) when will an announcement regarding the outcome of the CVGA application be made.
- 5702 MR GIBBONS: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—
  - (1) Will the Minister explain the rationale behind the changes to the Parenting Payment.
  - (2) Is the Minister aware that some sole parents are single due to the death of a spouse.

- (3) Is the Minister also aware that some sole parents choose to be stay-at-home mothers or fathers to provide a stable and safe environment for their child or children.
- (4) Will the Minister explain how sole parents can provide a safe and stable home for their child or children, work full-time or part-time and simultaneously care for an elderly parent.
- (5) Will the Minister advise how a sole parent can obtain exemption from meeting the Newstart Allowance "activity requirements".

# 5703 MR GIBBONS: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) When was the age of dependency for Centrelink payment purposes raised to 25 and why.
- (2) Is the Minister aware that, according to Common Law, the age of majority is 21.
- (3) Were Constitutional lawyers consulted when the age of dependency for Centrelink payment purposes was raised to 25.
- (4) Would the Minister explain (a) the process for, and (b) the legality of, the raising of the age of dependency for Centrelink payment purposes.

#### 5704 MR B. P. O'CONNOR: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) Is he aware that there is no Medicare office in the federal electorate of Gorton.
- (2) Can he confirm that there was formerly a Medicare office in Deer Park, and explain why that office was closed.
- (3) Upon what criteria is the establishment or closure of Medicare offices based.
- (4) Does he acknowledge that Australian Bureau of Statistics figures show a dramatic expansion in population in the Sydenham, Caroline Springs, Burnside, Hillside, Taylors Hill and Taylors Lakes areas; and if so, will be support the establishment of a Medicare office in the federal electorate of Gorton

### 5705 MR B.P.O'CONNOR: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) In (a) 2004-2005 and (b) 2005-2006, how many new applications were lodged for (i) Family Tax Benefit and (ii) Maternity Payment.
- (2) In (a) 2004-2005 and (b) 2005-2006, how many new applications for (i) Family Tax Benefit and (ii) Maternity Payment were lodged online.
- (3) Are those who apply online for (a) Family Tax Benefit and (b) Maternity Payment also required to supply their application information to the Family Assistance Office in writing or by telephone.
- (4) What is the average number of telephone calls made by a customer to the Family Assistance Office between first contact and the commencement of payment.
- (5) What is the average number of telephone calls made by a customer who has applied online for Family Tax Benefit or Maternity Payment to the Family Assistance Office between first contact and the commencement of payment.

#### 5706 MR B. P. O'CONNOR: To ask the Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence—

- (1) What opportunities are available to current and prospective members of the Australian Defence Forces to study foreign languages.
- (2) Is it currently possible for members and prospective members of the Australian Defence Forces to study Arabic at an undergraduate level.
- (3) Does he acknowledge that Australia has ongoing military commitments in the Middle East; if so, what steps is he taking to improve the level of Arabic language competency in the Australian Defence Forces.

#### 5710 MR DANBY: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Is he aware of the number of former UN-employed retirees in Australia who are currently receiving a pension from the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (UNJSPF).
- (2) Is he aware that while working for the United Nations these retirees contributed to the equivalent of a taxation scheme that offset Australia's UN financial obligation.
- (3) How will the new tax provisions, which will come into effect in July, affect recipients of the UNJSPF and is this treatment comparable to that of other public servants who were in untaxed schemes.
- (4) Has the value of the equivalent contribution made by the retirees referred to in Part (1) been addressed when assessing the UNJSPF as a foreign pension.
- (5) Is he aware of the monthly amount received by Australians from UNJSPF; if so, what is that amount.

(6) Is he aware of the amount of Australian investment that the UNJSPF made in 2006; if so, what is that amount.

#### 5711 MR DANBY: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Is he aware of previous restrictions upon the operation of air-conditioners by service personnel resident at RAAF Base Darwin; if so, has action been taken to address this issue.
- (2) Has he taken action to ensure that the families of service personnel are not disadvantaged by the potential negative impact of the introduction of the Remote Locality Allowance upon Family Tax Benefit entitlements; if not, why not.
- (3) Does the Remote Locality Allowance provide for varying entitlements according to severity of climate, as did the air-conditioning allowance; if not, why not.
- (4) Are there any service locations where the Remote Locality Allowance has not resulted in a net increase in entitlement following the discontinuation of specific allowances such as the air-conditioning allowance.
- (5) Has the discontinuation of individual allowances in favour of a Remote Locality Allowance made administration easier for his department, at the expense of service personnel's net salary and entitlements.

# 5715 MS OWENS: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) What languages are available on the Centrelink Multilingual Call Line.
- (2) For each language identified in Part (1), what is the average time that a caller must wait to speak with a Centrelink officer fluent in that language.
- (3) What were the circumstances that led to an older Australian living in the federal electorate of Parramatta waiting 30 minutes to speak in Greek to a Centrelink officer on 23 April 2007.
- (4) What, if any, measures are being implemented by Centrelink to ensure that older Australians can speak to a Centrelink Officer in a language other than English without experiencing delays of the kind identified in Part (3).

# 9 May 2007

#### 5716 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) For each week in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, (f) 2005 and (g) 2006, how many BAe-146 freight aircraft have (i) taken-off from and/or (ii) landed at Sydney Airport between the airport curfew hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. identified in Division 1 of the *Sydney Airport Curfew Act* 1995.
- (2) In respect of each incident identified in Part (1), (a) what was the date and time of each take-off and/or landing, (b) which runway was used, (c) in whose name was each aircraft registered, (d) for what purpose was the aircraft being used and (e) was each aircraft being operated by, or on behalf of, another person; if so, whom.

# 5718 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Small Business and Tourism—

- (1) How many (a) Ministerial and (b) departmental press releases were drafted by the Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources in (i) 2005 and (b) 2006.
- (2) Approximately how many hours did it take departmental staff to draft all media releases in (a) 2005 and (b) 2006.
- (3) What was the estimated cost to the department of drafting all media releases in (a) 2005 and (b) 2006.
- (4) Have any media releases drafted by departmental staff been critical of ALP policy, statements and/or members.
- 5721 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—Further to the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs' *Report of the Review of Settlement Services for Migrants and Humanitarian Entrants* of May 2003: (a) what further research has been undertaken on the settlement experiences of newly-arrived humanitarian entrants against the indicators for successful settlement; (b) has any refocus occurred to provide services to individual migrants in the settlement services target group; that is, permanent residents who arrived in the previous five years as humanitarian entrants and family-stream migrants with low English proficiency; (c) have there been results from work undertaken with the Australian Bureau of Statistics to improve the adequacy of existing indicators of disadvantage for potential use in mainstream data collections; (d) have results been produced, or efforts made, in respect of streamlining arrangements for obtaining information about skills assessment in Australia's States and Territories; (e) what has been the outcome of any consultation undertaken with local educational

authorities to plan for timely responses to the needs of newly-arrived humanitarian entrants of school age; (f) have outcome-focused priorities for action within the National Integrated Settlement Strategy parameters been fashioned, consistent with Migration and Humanitarian Program Policies; if so, what are those details; (g) since the publication of the aforementioned Report, have there been initiatives to pursue outcomes through regional committees; if so, what are those details; (h) have there been any successes for greater regional use of the Settlement Database; (i) have there been any improvements in the planning of departmental services, to fulfil the Report's aims of consistency, transparency, a consultative thrust and regionally-based emphasis; (j) since the publication of the Report, have humanitarian entrants been directed to regional locations with appropriate employment opportunities and access to specialist and mainstream services; (k) since 2003, has a needs-based planning process emerged and has it been made publicly available; (1) has there been incorporation of regionally-based communication mechanisms and feedback in any communication and consultative strategy for settlement planning; (m) have there been successes in minimising the number of agencies involved in the delivery of Integrated Humanitarian Settlement Strategy services for newly-arrived entrants; if so, what are the details of those improvements; (n) have there been endeavours to settle humanitarian entrants in regional Australia; if so, what has been the extent of those endeavours; (o) have any pre-embarkation cultural orientation classes been instituted for African humanitarian entrants; (p) have there been increases in payments for longer-term accommodation for humanitarian entrants; (q) since 2003, have initiatives emerged for the provision of post-arrival advice on home maintenance, budgeting and lifestyle in Australia for humanitarian entrants; (r) have there been additions to the household goods provided to entrants by the Household Formations Support Service; (s) have there been changes to the arrangements for volunteers in humanitarian settlement in order to clarify the roles of service providers and volunteers; (t) has eligibility for Community Settlement Service Scheme funding broadened in order to facilitate more innovative and flexible delivery arrangements; (u) has research been undertaken to explore the availability, eligibility requirements and use of English as a Second Language (ESL) courses at a State and Territory level; if so, what have been the outcomes of this research; (v) has research been commissioned to provide profiles of those ineligible for the Language Literacy and Numeracy Program and who also fail to take up ESL classes at State/Territory level after completing the Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP); (w) since 2003, have AMEP service providers made efforts to facilitate the recruitment of volunteer tutors; if so, what have been the results of those efforts; (x) what, if any, results have been achieved in promoting telephone interpreting services; and (y) what have been the outcomes of joint endeavours with State and Territory governments to clarify responsibilities for the delivery of interpreting and translating services.

- 5724 **MS K. M. ELLIS:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—In respect of complaints made by residents of the federal electorate of Adelaide regarding noise pollution generated by helicopter 'joy flights' during the Clipsal 500; are any Commonwealth departments able to intervene on behalf of residents' requests to limit the frequency of commercial helicopter traffic; if so, will he direct them to do so.
- 5726 MRS ELLIOT: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—
  - (1) Will he rule out the proposal to construct a dam on the Oxley River in Northern NSW in order to pipe water to the Nerang River in South East Queensland as outlined in the recent report *Integrated Water Supply Options for North East NSW and South East Queensland*.
  - (2) Is he aware of the devastating social, economic and environmental effects this proposal will have on the villages which currently rely on the river, and upon the sustainability of the entire Tweed Region.
- 5730 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—
  - (1) Has he read the article titled 'Cost on scripts to rise by \$22' published in the *Daily Telegraph* on 4 May 2007.
  - (2) Can he confirm that patients could face a surcharge of up to \$22 per script if drug companies pass on price cuts imposed on them as a result of recent changes to the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme; if not, why not.
  - (3) Will drug companies seeking to recoup any price cuts from patients be required to apply to the Government for a price premium on their product; if so, (a) who will approve such applications and (b) what guidelines will determine whether an application is approved or rejected; if not, why not.
  - (4) Is he aware of any examples where branded drugs are recommended by doctors for use by patients because the alternative generic drug would be unsuitable, due to the patient's specific medical condition; if so (a) will those branded drugs be exempted from the Government's price cuts and

- (b) will any application to have a patient surcharge imposed on those branded drugs be refused; if not, why not.
- (5) Can he ensure that no patients will pay a higher price for branded drugs that are specifically prescribed to them for medical reasons; if so, how; if not, why not.
- 5735 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Does the *Sydney Airport Demand Management Act 1998* set aircraft movement limits at Sydney Airport; if not, why not.
  - (2) Does the *Sydney Airport Demand Management Act 1998* establish a system of penalties for unauthorised aircraft movements; if not, why not.
  - (3) For each year since the implementation of the *Sydney Airport Demand Management Act*, how many (a) aircraft at Sydney Airport operated without a slot and (b) off-slot movements were recorded at Sydney Airport.
  - (4) Have infringement notices been issued to aircraft operators for each of those breaches identified in Part (3); if so, what penalty was imposed for each incident; if not, why not.
  - (5) Have any other penalties been imposed on aircraft operators for each of the breaches identified in Part (3); if so, what are the full details of those penalties; if not, why not.

- 5737 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—Do Articles 15 and 24 of the Chicago Convention prohibit the imposition on international airlines of (a) State/Territory government stamp duty charges on airlines' global insurance policies and/or (b) statutory contributions under the State/Territory fire brigade acts for the provision of fire-fighting services over and above the estimated \$55 million per annum presently paid by airlines for the provision of airport aviation rescue and fire-fighting services.
- 5738 MR GIBBONS: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—
  - (1) Is he aware that (a) out-of-pocket health costs have increased by 100 per cent since the current Government was first elected and (b) that out-of-pocket costs for visits to general practitioners have increased by 12 per cent since the 2006 December quarter.
  - (2) What steps will the Government take to rein in spiralling health costs.
- 5739 **MR GEORGANAS:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Which suburbs, towns or regions in South Australia, including those within the metropolitan area, do not have access to (a) ADSL, (b) ADSL 2, (c) cable, and/or (d) satellite broadband.
  - (2) For what reason(s) is (a) ADSL, (b) ADSL 2, (c) cable, and/or (d) satellite broadband not available in each of the areas identified in Part (1).
  - (3) What is being done to provide (a) ADSL, (b) ADSL 2, (c) cable, and/or (d) satellite broadband to the suburbs, towns and regions identified in Part (1).
- 5740 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—In respect of numbers 4, 8 and 10 Douglas Street, Flinders Park, South Australia: (a) are the residents able to connect to (i) ADSL or (ii) cable broadband; if not, why not; (b) what will be done to ensure the residents are connected to (i) ADSL or (ii) cable broadband in the future; and (c) what alternative will be provided to allow residents to access broadband, including the (i) cost, (ii) time, and (iii) process required for broadband to be installed.
- 5741 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—In respect of each of the four breaches of the Adelaide Airport Curfew referred to in the *Adelaide Airport Dispensation Report* for the period 1 April to 30 September 2006: (a) who gave approval for the curfew to be broken; (b) why are approvals given for curfew breaches at Adelaide Airport when the breach is necessitated by the failings of an airline or airport company at another airport, as was the case with Boeing 737 (registration number VH-VYB) on 19 July 2006; (c) why are aircraft granted approval to break the curfew at Adelaide Airport when the breach is not necessitated by an emergency; and (d) will further curfew breaches be allowed due to errors made by airlines or airport companies.
- 5745 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Does the *Sydney Airport Demand Management Act 1997* limit aircraft movements at Sydney Airport to a maximum of 80 per hour; if not, why not.

- (2) Will he categorically rule out allowing an increase in the hourly aircraft movement limits at Sydney Airport today, or at any time in the future; if not, why not.
- (3) Will he increase penalties for aircraft movements at Sydney Airport that are made without a slot, or outside prescribed slot tolerances; if not, why not.

- 5749 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Treasurer—In respect of the (a) child housekeeper, (b) housekeeper, (c) parent/parent-in-law and (d) invalid relative taxation offset: (i) how many taxpayers claimed the offset in (aa) 2003-04, (bb) 2004-05 and (cc) 2005-06; (ii) what is the income distribution of taxpayers claiming the offset and (iii) what was the cost to revenue of the offset for 2005-06.
- 5751 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—In respect of Australian pensioners who are currently Telstra customers and in receipt of the Telstra pensioner discount and Telstra reward options: (a) have they been asked to choose between either the Telstra pensioner discount or the Telstra reward option; if so, why; (b) what measures are being taken to inform them that such a change is taking place; (c) how many pensioners in (i) the federal electorate of Hindmarsh, (ii) South Australia and (iii) Australia will be affected by this change; (d) on average, what sum will pensioners in (i) the federal electorate of Hindmarsh, (ii) South Australia and (iii) Australia lose each week if they no longer receive (aa) the Telstra pensioner discount or (bb) their current reward options; and (e) what action will the Government take to compensate Australian pensioners for this loss
- 5752 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—
  - (1) Why is the National Water Initiative's stated objective of creating a national water licence register yet to be realised.
  - (2) When will the national water licence register be created.
  - (3) Can the Government identify any individuals or companies, whose primary business does not consist of farming or irrigation, who have purchased permanent water licences in 2006-07.
  - (4) Can the Government guarantee that permanent water licences cannot be purchased in such quantities and to such volumes of water that the system may increase the price of non-permanent water trades.
- 5753 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—Will the Office of Workplace Services conduct a compliance campaign among supermarket trolley collectors to ensure that those employees are being paid award rates and receiving all other legal entitlements.
- 5754 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Treasurer—Has the Australian Taxation Office nominated supermarket trolley collection as an area of potential tax avoidance; if not, does it intend to nominate supermarket trolley collection as an area at risk of tax avoidance.
- 5755 MS ROXON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—
  - (1) What is the current prevalence rate of autism spectrum disorder (ASD) in Australian children and young adults.
  - (2) Does the figure provided in response to Part (1) represent an increase in the rate previously used to plan service provision; if so, by what amount has the figure increased.
  - (3) What was the previous level of treatment and rehabilitation services for people with ASD.
  - (4) How has the Government increased service levels to meet demand for treatment and rehabilitation for people with ASD.
  - (5) Where does autism/ASD rank on the list of "Leading causes of burden of disease and injury in children aged 0–14 years".
  - (6) What steps has the Government taken to ensure people with autism/ASD receive the treatment and rehabilitation they need.
  - (7) How does Australian law protect the rights of children with autism/ASD to receive the treatment and rehabilitation they need.
  - (8) Can people with ASD who do not qualify as having an intellectual disability access the new Medicare rebate for people with an intellectual disability; if not, will the Government create a rebate scheme for people with ASD who are unable "to recognise and communicate symptoms".

#### 5756 MR B.P. O'CONNOR: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) In respect of the Flagpole Funding for Schools program, how many applications for funding for a flagpole have been (a) received from, and (b) approved for, schools in the federal electorate of Gorton.
- (2) In respect of each school in the federal electorate of Gorton that applied for funding, what sum did it (a) apply for and (b) receive.
- (3) Have any applications from schools in the federal electorate of Gorton been refused; if so, which schools were refused funding and why.
- (4) How many schools in the federal electorate of Gorton have been approved, but are yet to receive their funding under the Flagpole Funding Initiative.
- (5) Have any schools in the federal electorate of Gorton that received funds held official flag-raising ceremonies; if so, for each school identified, (a) when was the ceremony, (b) which Liberal Party and National Party Members of Parliament attended and (c) which Liberal Party and National Party Members of Parliament were represented by an attending staff member.
- (6) Is she aware that the Department of Education, Science and Training has requested the documents required for reimbursement under the Flagpole Funding Initiative from Sunshine Heights Primary School on three separate occasions.
- (7) Is she aware that the documents required for reimbursement under the Flagpole Funding Initiative were previously supplied to the Department of Education, Science and Training by Sunshine Heights Primary School on two separate occasions.
- (8) How many schools are yet to receive funding due to the reported loss of documents, or inability to supply documents such as suppliers' invoices, to the Department of Education, Science and Training.

#### 5757 MS K. M. ELLIS: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) In respect of the Australian Defence Force (ADF) proposal to close the Army Reserve depots of Keswick and Hampstead Barracks in South Australia, is he aware of an internal survey indicating that 70 per cent of current serving army reservists will choose to discharge rather than relocate any significant distance; if so, does he still intend to close the Keswick and Hampstead Barracks and relocate the army reservists; if so, why.
- (2) How will he boost recruitment when, as the survey indicates, the ADF is likely to lose 70 per cent of its army reservists from the Keswick and Hampstead Barracks.
- 5759 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs—Further to his reply to Part (4) of question No. 4934 that his department has "worked with Inner West Neighbourhood Aid Inc in an attempt to identify alternative sources of funding for this project", (a) other than the Veteran and Community grants, which alternate Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) programs have been identified as potential sources of funding for the Beyond Home transitional care program and (b) has his office, or his department, received any further request for funding under additional DVA programs.
- 5762 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Further to the Minister's reply to Part (3) of question No 5652 that "ACMA has been asked to provide advice on the technical factors that may affect a detailed switchover timetable" for digital TV, will that advice be made available to members of the public; if so, when; if not, why not.
  - (2) What are the full details of the technical factors that may affect a detailed switchover timetable for digital TV.

# 23 May 2007

#### 5764 MR BEVIS: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—

- (1) In respect of the Australian Crime Commission (ACC), (a) what was the staffing level at 30 June 2006, (b) how many of the staff were sworn police officers and (c) how many of the total staff were sworn police officers on secondment from a State or Territory police force.
- (2) How many sworn police officers does the ACC estimate it will need for each year of the forward estimates period 2007-11.

#### 5765 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—

(1) Further to his reply to question No. 3590 (*Hansard*, 21 May 2007, page 91) that "12 reports were received from the public concerning various entities in the Westpoint group, including a telephone call from Ms Brailey", can he advise whether an investigation was undertaken in respect of each of

- these reports; if so, (a) what was the nature of each investigation, (b) on what date did each investigation commence, (c) on what date did each investigation conclude, (d) what were the findings and (e) what were the recommendations; if not, why not.
- (2) What information, advice or undertakings did the Australian Securities and Investments Commission provide Ms Brailey upon receiving her complaint about Westpoint's use of promissory notes in 2001; if no information, advice or undertakings were provided, why not.

#### 5766 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) Has he read the article titled 'Delayed: survey detailing the extent of hidden gap fees' published in the *Sydney Morning Herald* on 18 May 2007; if not, why not.
- (2) What was the national total amount of uninsured gap fees paid by private patients to private doctors in (a) 2005 and (b) 2006.
- (3) What was the total amount of uninsured gap fees paid by private patients resident in the federal electorate of Lowe to private doctors in (a) 2005 and (b) 2006.
- (4) What was the total amount of uninsured gap fees paid by private patients to private doctors for procedures undertaken in hospitals located in the federal electorate of Lowe in (a) 2005 and (b) 2006.

# 5767 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—

- Are agencies or departments within his portfolio currently conducting advertising campaigns; if so, what are the full details of each advertising campaign and which agency or department is undertaking it.
- (2) For each advertising campaign identified in Part (1), (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of each campaign and (c) what is the total estimated cost of each campaign.

#### 5768 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) Can he confirm that the Runway End Impact of total aircraft movements to (and from) the north of Sydney Airport, which was reported in the March 2007 Sydney Airport Operational Statistics as reaching 31.50 per cent, is amongst the highest level of movements since record-keeping of the Long Term Operating Plan (LTOP) began.
- (2) Can he confirm that the Runway End Impact histogram to 31 March 2007 shows the following annual LTOP averages: (a) 1998—28.39 per cent; (b) 1999—27.26 per cent; (c) 2000—26.55 per cent; (d) 2001—26.86 per cent; (e) 2002—27.09 per cent; (f) 2003—27.32 per cent; (g) 2004—28.34 per cent; (h) 2005—26.12 per cent; and (i) 2006—28.28 per cent.
- (3) Is the LTOP for aircraft movement targets to the north of Sydney Airport set at 17 per cent of all aircraft movements.
- (4) Why has the target of 17 per cent never been met since the implementation of the LTOP.
- (5) When will the LTOP target of 17 per cent aircraft movements to the north of Sydney Airport be met.

# 24 May 2007

- 5772 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—For each temporary skilled visa category, how many workers have entered Australia and have gained employment in a different occupation to that identified as their area of skill or expertise on their visa application after (a) 6 months, (b) 12 months, (c) 18 months and (d) 24 months.
- 5774 **MR HAYES:** To ask the Treasurer—Following the Asian Economic Crisis in 1997-98, did he, or the Government, commit to a program of some \$A1 billion to assist countries in the region, specifically Indonesia; if so, (a) what are the details of the program, (b) what sum was spent, (c) have the expenditure and program outcomes been accounted for and (d) has the program been evaluated.

#### 5777 MR MELHAM: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) What sum was spent by the Commonwealth Government on (a) travel, (b) accommodation, (c) security and (d) other expenses (including meals and incidentals) as a consequence of the attendance of His Excellency the Governor-General at the funeral of His Highness Malietoa Tanumafili II of Samoa in May 2007.
- (2) What are the details of the accommodation used by the Governor-General on this journey.
- (3) Who accompanied His Excellency on this journey.

#### 5778 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Can he confirm that the Government has conducted, is currently conducting, or will be conducting, a defence force recruitment campaign costing \$17.4 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is, or will be, the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is, or will be, the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
- (2) Are other agencies or departments within his portfolio currently conducting, or planning to conduct within the next 6 months, other advertising campaigns; if so, what are the full details of each advertising campaign and which agency or department is undertaking it.
- (3) For each advertising campaign identified in Part (2), (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is, or will be, the commencement date of each campaign, (c) what is, or will be, the completion date of each campaign and (d) what is the total estimated cost of each campaign.

#### 5779 MR MURPHY: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Can he confirm that the Government is currently conducting a 'simpler super' campaign costing \$15.8 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what was the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
- (2) Are other agencies or departments within his portfolio currently conducting, or planning to conduct within the next 6 months, other advertising campaigns; if so, what are the full details of each advertising campaign and which agency or department is undertaking it.
- (3) For each advertising campaign identified in Part (2), (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is, or will be, the commencement date of each campaign, (c) what is, or will be, the completion date of each campaign and (d) what is the total estimated cost of each campaign.

#### 5780 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- Can be confirm that the Government is currently conducting a 'private health insurance' campaign costing \$14.5 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what was the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
- (2) Can he confirm that the Government is currently conducting, or will be conducting, a cervical cancer vaccination campaign costing \$6.1 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
- (3) Can he confirm that the Government is currently conducting, will be conducting or has conducted an asthma awareness campaign costing \$1 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
- (4) Can he confirm that the Government is currently conducting, or will be conducting, a 'pregnancy support hotline' campaign costing \$300,000; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
- (5) Are other agencies or departments within his portfolio currently conducting, or planning to conduct within the next 6 months, other advertising campaigns; if so, what are the full details of each advertising campaign and which agency or department is undertaking it.
- (6) For each advertising campaign identified in Part (2), (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is, or will be, the commencement date of each campaign, (c) what is, or will be, the completion date of each campaign and (d) what is the total estimated cost of each campaign.

### 5781 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—

- (1) Can be confirm that the Government has conducted, or is currently conducting, a 'violence against women' campaign costing \$13.1 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
- (2) Are other agencies or departments within his portfolio currently conducting, or planning to conduct within the next 6 months, other advertising campaigns; if so, what are the full details of each advertising campaign and which agency or department is undertaking it.

(3) For each advertising campaign identified in Part (2), (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is, or will be, the commencement date of each campaign, (c) what is, or will be, the completion date of each campaign and (d) what is the total estimated cost of each campaign.

# 5782 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) Can she confirm that the Government has conducted, is currently conducting, or will be conducting, a 'skills for the future' campaign costing \$12.9 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
- (2) Are other agencies or departments within her portfolio currently conducting, or planning to conduct within the next 6 months, other advertising campaigns; if so, what are the full details of each advertising campaign and which agency or department is undertaking it.
- (3) For each advertising campaign identified in Part (2), (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is, or will be, the commencement date of each campaign, (c) what is, or will be, the completion date of each campaign and (d) what is the total estimated cost of each campaign.

### 5784 MR MURPHY: To ask the Attorney-General—

- (1) Can be confirm that the Government has conducted, is currently conducting or will be conducting, a 'national security' campaign costing \$4.8 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
- (2) Can he confirm that the Government has conducted, is currently conducting or will be conducting, a 'family law reform' campaign costing \$2.8 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
- (3) Are other agencies or departments within his portfolio currently conducting, or planning to conduct within the next 6 months, other advertising campaigns; if so, what are the full details of each advertising campaign and which agency or department is undertaking it.
- (4) For each advertising campaign identified in Part (3), (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is, or will be, the commencement date of each campaign, (c) what is, or will be, the completion date of each campaign and (d) what is the total estimated cost of each campaign.
- 5785 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—Can he confirm that the Government is currently conducting, or will be conducting, a workplace relations campaign that will cost \$4.1 million in its first week; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of the campaign, (c) what is the completion date of the campaign and (d) what is the estimated total cost of the campaign; if not, why not.

# 5786 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) Can the Minister confirm that the Government has conducted, is currently conducting or will be conducting, a 'drought assistance' campaign costing \$3.1 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
- (2) Are other agencies or departments within the Minister's portfolio currently conducting, or planning to conduct within the next 6 months, other advertising campaigns; if so, what are the full details of each advertising campaign and which agency or department is undertaking it.
- (3) For each advertising campaign identified in Part (2), (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is, or will be, the commencement date of each campaign, (c) what is, or will be, the completion date of each campaign and (d) what is the total estimated cost of each campaign.

# 5787 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—

(1) Can he confirm that the Government has conducted, is currently conducting or will be conducting, an 'Australian citizenship' campaign costing \$2.7 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.

- (2) Are other agencies or departments within his portfolio currently conducting, or planning to conduct within the next 6 months, other advertising campaigns; if so, what are the full details of each advertising campaign and which agency or department is undertaking it.
- (3) For each advertising campaign identified in Part (2), (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is, or will be, the commencement date of each campaign, (c) what is, or will be, the completion date of each campaign and (d) what is the total estimated cost of each campaign.
- 5788 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—
  - (1) Can the Minister confirm that the Government has conducted or is currently conducting a 'quarantine matters' campaign costing \$2.6 million; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what was the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
  - (2) Are other agencies or departments within the Minister's portfolio currently conducting, or planning to conduct within the next 6 months, other advertising campaigns; if so, what are the full details of each advertising campaign and which agency or department is undertaking it.
  - (3) For each advertising campaign identified in Part (2), (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is, or will be, the commencement date of each campaign, (c) what is, or will be, the completion date of each campaign and (d) what is the total estimated cost of each campaign.
- 5789 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Can the Minister confirm that the Government is currently conducting, will conduct or has conducted, a regional communications services campaign costing \$500,000; if so, (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is the commencement date of the campaign and (c) what is the completion date of the campaign; if not, why not.
  - (2) Are other agencies or departments within the Minister's portfolio currently conducting, or planning to conduct within the next 6 months, other advertising campaigns; if so, what are the full details of each advertising campaign and which agency or department is undertaking it.
  - (3) For each advertising campaign identified in Part (2), (a) what advertising medium or media have been, or will be, used, (b) what is, or will be, the commencement date of each campaign, (c) what is, or will be, the completion date of each campaign and (d) what is the total estimated cost of each campaign.

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5792 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To ask the Treasurer—In respect of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) Consumer Consultative Committee: (a) what are its terms of reference; (b) what resources (including budget) are allocated for its operation; and (c) has it provided the ACCC with any outcomes or recommendations; if so, what are the details.

- 5797 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—In respect of Royal Military College Duntroon, (a) during the past 12 months, how many cadets have been injured while attending the college—either on the college grounds or during field exercises, what was the nature of each injury identified and were any cadets forced to leave the college as a result of injury and (b) during the past 5 years, how many allegations of rape have been made and have any of those cases been brought to trial; if so, what are the details.
- 5798 MS HALL: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—In respect of Australian pensioners who are currently Telstra customers and in receipt of the Telstra pensioner discount and Telstra reward options: (a) have they been asked to choose between either the Telstra pensioner discount or the Telstra reward option; if so, why; (b) what measures are being taken to inform them that such a change is taking place; (c) how many pensioners in (i) the electoral division of Shortland, (ii) New South Wales and (iii) Australia will be affected by this change; (d) on average, what sum will pensioners in (i) the electoral division of Shortland, (ii) New South Wales and (iii) Australia lose each week if they no longer receive (aa) the Telstra pensioner discount or (bb) their current reward options; and (e) what action will the Government take to compensate Australian pensioners for this loss.

- MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5802 5820)—
- (1) For each financial year since 1 July 2000, what was the total water usage, in litres, by each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio.
- (2) Since 1 July 2000, what measures has the Minister's department instigated to reduce water usage
- 5802 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5803 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 5804 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Treasurer.
- 5805 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 5806 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5807 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 5808 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5809 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 5810 **MS A. E. BURKE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5811 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5812 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 5813 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5814 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 5817 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5818 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5819 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 5820 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5821 5839)—For each financial year since 1 July 2000, what was the total cost of outsourcing information technology services for each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio.
- 5821 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5822 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 5823 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Treasurer.
- 5824 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 5826 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 5827 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5828 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 5829 **MS A. E. BURKE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5830 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5831 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 5832 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5833 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 5834 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 5835 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5836 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5837 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5838 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 5839 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
- 5840 MS LIVERMORE: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—
  - (1) What process was undertaken to determine the boundaries of the Service Regions for Local Community Partnerships (LCPs).

- (2) Will there be a review of the Service Region boundaries before providers are invited to apply for the next round of funding; if so, (a) how will the review be conducted and (b) will schools and other stakeholders have the opportunity to provide input to the review.
- (3) How is the performance of LCPs measured and evaluated.
- 5841 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—For each week of 2006, will he provide a list of the commercial aircraft movements at Sydney International Airport between 5 a.m. and 6 a.m., including the commercial operator of the aircraft, the direction of each movement and whether it was a take-off or a landing.
- 5842 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—Can he confirm that the Government will be mailing out a climate change brochure to Australian households within the next four months; if so (a) how many households will receive the information, (b) to which federal electoral divisions will the information be sent and (c) what is the total estimated cost of the mail-out; if not, why not
- 5843 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Prime Minister—Can he confirm that he will be mailing out a climate change brochure and personal letter to Australian households within the next four months; if so (a) how many households will receive the information, (b) to which federal electoral divisions will the information be sent and (c) what is the total estimated cost of the mail-out; if not, why not.

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- 5844 MR BEVIS: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—In respect of the Minister's department: (a) what research has been undertaken into the potential health risks of wireless internet technology; (b) what health risks are associated with wireless internet technology; (c) does the research into wireless internet technology take account of the latest generation technology; and (d) what monitoring and/or safety measures does the Government require providers of wireless internet technology services to undertake to protect end-users of the technology.
  - **MS A. E. BURKE:** To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5864 5882)—For each financial year since 1 July 2005, (a) what was the total cost to each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio of engaging employment agencies and (b) which employment agencies were engaged.
- 5864 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5865 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 5866 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Treasurer.
- 5867 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 5868 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5869 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 5870 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5871 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 5872 **MS A. E. BURKE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5873 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5875 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5876 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 5877 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 5878 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5879 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5880 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5881 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 5882 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.

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5884 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Minister for Defence—Has soft nosed rifle ammunition been used by the Australian Defence Force since 1980.

- 5885 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Small Business and Tourism—In respect of Tourism Australia's new-look travel website, australia.com, which she launched on 28 May 2007: (a) what was the cost of the upgrade; (b) was the upgrade carried out internally or by an external contractor; if the latter, (i) which agency upgraded the website and (ii) how was the agency selected; (b) was industry consulted about the website upgrade prior to the launch; (c) were State/Territory tourism organisations consulted about the website upgrade prior to the launch; (d) were State/Territory governments consulted about the website upgrade prior to the launch; (e) how was the upgraded website launched; and (f) what are the (i) timeframes and (ii) estimated costs of anticipated future site upgrades.
- 5887 MR BEVIS: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—In respect of audits of Australia's healthcare preparedness for mass casualty incidents: (a) how many are publicly available and when was each commissioned; (b) how many are embargoed and when was each commissioned; and (c) of the embargoed audits, (i) when was each completed, (ii) who commissioned it, (iii) at what cost and (iv) when will a version of the report be made public.
- 5888 MR BEVIS: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing— In respect of a potential incident involving mass casualties: (a) how many post-resident qualified triage doctors are available to respond within 90 minutes of the event; (b) how long does it take to diagnose (i) ricin poisoning; (ii) smallpox virus, (iii) pneumonic and bubonic plague, (iv) botulinum, staphylococcus enterotoxin aflatotoxin and shigella toxins, (v) lassa, ebola and marbug viruses and (vi) Rocky Mountain spotted fever and Q-fever viruses; (c) where is the necessary diagnostic equipment located; and (d) how many technicians are trained to make the identification.

### 5893 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Does he accept comments made by Commissioner the Hon. Terrence R. H. Cole in the *Report of the Inquiry Into Certain Australian Companies in Relation to the Oil for Food Program* that: "Although DFAT [*Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade*] did not have any specific investigatory powers conferred on it, one avenue open to it in the event that it received information suggesting a breach or potential breach of sanctions was to request specific information from the relevant exporting company. If the information was not forthcoming, it would be open to the Minister to refuse to grant permission to export or to revoke an existing permission on that basis, that without the information, he could not be satisfied that the exportation would not infringe Australia's international obligations. This was potentially a powerful threat that could have been effectively used by DFAT in order to investigate allegations had its suspicions been aroused that AWB [*Australian Wheat Board*] was acting in breach of the United Nations sanctions".
- (2) At any time during the Oil for Food program, was he advised that he should make a specific request for information from AWB; if so (a) who provided the advice and (b) did he act on the advice; if not, has he sought an explanation as to why he was not provided with that advice; and if not, has he held anyone accountable for apparent neglect of duty in not providing such advice.

# 5894 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Can he confirm that on or about 30 March 2004, he made a note on a ministerial submission from Ms Armstrong regarding sales of produce by the Australian Wheat Board (AWB) to Iraq, which read: "This worries me, how were AWB prices set and who set them? I want to know about this".
- (2) Was any action taken in response to his request; if not, has he held any officer, or officers, accountable for failing to act in accordance with his request and if not, why not.

# 5895 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Can he confirm that on or about 10 June 2004, he received a letter from Mr Lindberg regarding the sale of produce by the Australian Wheat Board (AWB) to Iraq; if so, did the letter contain reservations expressed by Mr Tracey QC, on the fact then known to AWB, that from November 2000, AWB had been paying an unexplained additional fee of 10 per cent of the contract value to Alia as a 'trucking fee'.
- (2) Has he inquired why the information referred to in Part (1) was not included in Mr Lindberg's letter; if not why not.
- (3) Has he inquired whether an officer, or officers, of his department or ministerial office were, at that time, aware of the advice or apprised of the knowledge; if not why not.

# 5896 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

(1) Can he confirm that on or about 22 November 2004, he endorsed a recommendation from Mr Blazey that the Australian Government "will not allow officials to be interviewed" by the United Nations

- panel investigating alleged corruption in the Oil for Food program; if so, why did he endorse the recommendation.
- (2) Did the recommendation's reference to "officials" include Government officials, or officials to the Australian Wheat Board and what distinction, if any, was made between those two categories of persons.
- 5897 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Can he confirm that in or about mid-December 2004, he telephoned Mr Stewart to inform him that the Prime Minister had received correspondence from the Volcker inquiry; if so, how long prior to that telephone call had the Prime Minister received correspondence from the Volcker inquiry.
- 5898 **MR McCLELLAND:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Has he asked Mr Lindberg why, during a telephone conversation on 7 March 2005, Mr Lindberg did not inform him that Alia was part-owned by the Government of Iraq; if not why not.
- 5900 **MS MACKLIN:** To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—Does his department currently have, or has it previously had, a funding agreement with the Dads in Distress program; if so, (a) when did the agreement (i) commence and (ii) conclude, (b) what was the total value of the agreement, (c) under what program and Budget Output Group was Dads in Distress funded, (d) has the department received a request from Dads in Distress for a continuation of funding and (e) has that request been declined; if so, why; if not, what are the details of the new funding agreement.
- 5901 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Can he confirm that slot allocations are not required for aircraft movements at Sydney Airport when an operator has been granted a dispensation by the Slot Coordinator under the *Sydney Airport Demand Management Act 1997*; if not, why not.
  - (2) On how many occasions have dispensations been granted authorising an aircraft to (a) take off from and (b) land at, Sydney Airport without a slot in (i) 2000, (ii) 2001, (iii) 2002, (iv) 2003, (v) 2004, (vi) 2005 and (vii) 2006.
  - (3) In respect of each incident identified in Part (2), (a) what was the date and time of each take-off and/or landing, (b) who operated each aircraft and/or in whose name was each aircraft registered, (c) what were the exceptional circumstances justifying each take-off or landing without a slot and (d) what conditions were attached to each dispensation.
- 5902 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Does he receive quarterly reports from Airservices Australia that identify the extent of infringements of movement limits per hour at Sydney Airport.
  - (2) Can he be certain that accurate and reliable records have been used to support past monitoring of compliance with the movement limit on which reports provided to the Minister are based; if so, what are the full details of the accurate and reliable records relied upon; if not, why not.
- 5903 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—Are there guidelines for the granting of dispensations that authorise aircraft to take off from, or land at, Sydney Airport in exceptional circumstances that would otherwise contravene the *Sydney Airport Demand Management Act 1997*; if so, (a) what constitutes an exceptional circumstance and (b) to what conditions are such dispensations subject; if not, why not.
- 5904 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) How many aircraft operators have cancelled an allocated movement slot at Sydney Airport and requested a new slot for aircraft delayed in transit or delayed on the ground in (a) 1999, (b) 2000, (c) 2001, (d) 2002, (e) 2003, (f) 2004, (g) 2005 and (h) 2006.
  - (2) In respect of each incident identified in Part (1), have infringement notices been issued; if so, what penalty was imposed; if not, why not.
  - (3) In respect of each incident identified in Part (1), have any other penalties been imposed; if so, what are the full details of those penalties; if not, why not.

5910 MR BEVIS: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—In respect of Maritime Security Identification Cards (MSICs), what information did he, or his office seek and/or with what information was he, or his office, provided on applicants who were (a) denied an MSIC and sought an appeal, either successfully or unsuccessfully, and (b) denied an MSIC and who did not seek an appeal.

#### MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5911 - 5929)—

- (1) Did the department, or any agency in the Minister's portfolio, engage the services of a public relations, public affairs or media management consultancy in 2006; if so, what was the (a) purpose and (b) cost of each engagement.
- (2) What was the name and postal address of each company engaged for the purposes outlined in Part (1).
- (3) What sum was spent on public relations, public affairs or media in 2006.
- 5911 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5912 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 5913 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Treasurer.
- 5914 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 5915 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5916 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 5917 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5918 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 5919 **MS A. E. BURKE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5920 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5921 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 5922 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5923 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 5924 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 5925 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5926 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5927 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5928 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 5929 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5930 5948)—
  - (1) Did the department, or any agency in the Minister's portfolio, conduct or commission an opinion poll, focus group, or market research in 2006; if so, what was the (a) purpose and (b) cost of each opinion poll, focus group or market research survey conducted.
  - (2) What was the name and postal address of each company engaged to conduct the poll, focus group or research identified in Part (1).
  - (3) What sum was spent on conducting or commissioning opinion polls, focus groups or market research surveys by the department and each agency in the Minister's portfolio in 2006.
- 5930 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5931 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 5932 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Treasurer.
- 5933 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 5934 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5935 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 5936 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5937 **MS A. E. BURKE:** To ask the Attorney-General.
- 5938 **MS A. E. BURKE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5939 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5940 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 5941 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.

- 5942 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 5943 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 5944 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5945 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5946 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5947 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 5948 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5949 5967)—Did the (a) Minister and (b) his/her personal staff receive any media training in 2006; if so, (i) what was the cost of the media training and (ii) what was the name and postal address of each company engaged to provide media training.
- 5949 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5950 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 5951 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Treasurer.
- 5952 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 5953 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5954 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 5955 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5956 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 5957 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5958 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5959 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 5960 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5961 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 5962 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 5963 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5964 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5965 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5966 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 5967 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5968 5986)—
  - (1) What sum was spent on media monitoring and clipping services engaged by the Minister's office in 2006-07.
  - (2) What was the name and postal address of each media monitoring company engaged by the Minister's office.
- 5968 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5969 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 5970 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Treasurer.
- 5971 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 5972 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5973 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 5974 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5975 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 5976 **MS A. E. BURKE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5977 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5978 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.

- 5979 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5980 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 5981 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 5982 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 5983 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 5984 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 5985 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 5986 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
  - MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 5987 6005)—
  - (1) What sum was spent on media monitoring and clipping services engaged by the department and agencies in the Minister's portfolio in 2006-07.
  - (2) Did the department, or any agency in the Minister's portfolio, order newspaper clippings, television appearance transcripts or videos, radio transcripts or tapes on behalf of the Minister's office in 2006-07; if so, what sum was spent by the department or agency on this service.
- 5987 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Prime Minister.
- 5988 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.
- 5989 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Treasurer.
- 5990 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 5991 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.
- 5992 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Trade.
- 5993 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.
- 5994 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Attorney-General.
- 5995 **MS A. E. BURKE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.
- 5996 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Defence.
- 5997 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- 5998 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.
- 5999 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
- 6000 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.
- 6001 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.
- 6002 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.
- 6003 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.
- 6004 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.
- 6005 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
- 6006 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Defence—Further to his response to question No. 5558 (*Hansard*, 21 May 2007, page 122) concerning the lease of Avalon Airport to Foxerco Pty Ltd, (a) what was the base rental and additional payment to Foxerco Pty Ltd for each financial year since the initial lease of the airport and (b) does his department have domestic passenger numbers for Avalon Airport for each financial year since the initial lease of the airport, if so, what are those details; and if not, why are such records not kept.
- 6007 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—Further to the his response to question No. 5593 (*Hansard*, 23 may 2007, page 173) concerning foreign ships: for each of the last three financial years, (a) on how many occasions have foreign ships entered Australian ports without supplying—within the stipulated timeframe—the necessary information on foreign crews and (b) at which ports did those ships enter.
- 6008 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—Further to the his response to questions No. 5530, 5533 and 5537 (*Hansard*, 24 May 2007, page 108): (a) why are the figures for domestic passenger movements at Avalon Airport not available; (b) what passenger numbers are required for a permanent Fire and Rescue Service at airports, when was such a service required at Avalon Airport and how did his department determine the need to require such a service at Avalon Airport

- if domestic passenger numbers are not available; (c) what passenger screening service(s) are required at Avalon Airport; and (d) what barriers to deter unauthorised access to airside are required at Avalon Airport, when were the specifications last reviewed and how do these requirements compare to the requirements at Cairns, Coolangatta, Alice Springs and Hobart Airports.
- 6010 MR L. D. T. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—Why do citizens of the Czech Republic continue to be denied access to the Electronic Travel Authority system when other European nations with higher visa overstay rates and lower financial/economic indicators have been granted access.

- 6013 **MR GEORGANAS:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) Which Government department(s) are exempt from registration under the *Do Not Call Register Act* 2006.
  - (2) How many calls have been made by, or on behalf of, the Minister's department to individuals on the Do Not Call Register in (a) Australia, (b) South Australia and (c) the electoral division of Hindmarsh since the enactment of the *Do Not Call Register Act 2006*, and are there restrictions on the time at which such calls may be made; if so, what are the restrictions.
  - (3) Is DBM Consultants Pty Ltd employed by the Minister's department to conduct telephone research in (a) Australia, (b) South Australia and (c) the electoral division of Hindmarsh; if so, (i) what specific research has DBM Consultants been asked to conduct and (ii) for each of the areas identified, since the introduction of the *Do Not Call Register Act 2006*, how many people on the Do Not Call Register have been contacted.
- 6014 **MS PLIBERSEK:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—In respect of his department's refusal on 27 February 2007 to provide \$829,745 in Commonwealth funding for the Redfern-Waterloo (Alcohol Support Service) Project, based on assessment of an Expression of Interest proposal: (a) upon what specific grounds was the refusal made and (b) what alcohol management or support service does his department currently provide in the Redfern area and, for each service identified, what is (i) its name, (ii) its purpose and main activities, (iii) its intended service area and (iv) the sum of Commonwealth funding it received in the 2006-07 financial year.
- 6016 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—
  - (1) Were tenders opened in 2006 to provide nursing services to HMAS Albatross; if so, what was the tender process.
  - (2) Was the capacity to provide suitable nursing staff a requirement of the tender.
  - (3) Who was the successful applicant and, at the time the contract was awarded, did the successful applicant have nursing staff available to meet the tender requirements; if not, how did the applicant win the tender.
- 6017 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Minister for Defence—In respect of Project Air 5376 Phase 3 Hornet Upgrade: (a) where will the centre barrel replacement work on the Hornets be carried out; (b) when was the decision made to carry out the work at that location; (c) on what basis was that decision made; and (d) was it always intended that the centre barrel replacement work would be carried out at that location.
- 6018 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—
  - (1) Has an appropriation been made for the proposed \$268.2 million for the C-17 Infrastructure Project.
  - (2) Can C-17 aircraft currently use runways and associated infrastructure at Amberley, Edinburgh, Darwin, Pearce and Townsville without damaging the infrastructure.
  - (3) Are C-17 aircraft currently using runways and associated infrastructure at Amberley, Edinburgh, Darwin, Pearce and Townsville.
  - MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. 6019 6020)—
  - (1) From 1 January 2005 to 12 June 2007, did the Minister have any discussions or other communications with Australian Meat Holdings and/or Dinmore abattoir regarding the transport of their products to the Port of Brisbane or elsewhere; if so, what was the content of those discussions or communications.
  - (2) Did Australian Meat Holdings and/or Dinmore abattoir make any representations regarding the construction of the Goodna Bypass and its implications for the transport of their products to the Port of Brisbane or elsewhere; if so, what was the nature of any representations made.

- 6020 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Local Government, Territories and Roads.
- 6023 MR MELHAM: To ask the Attorney-General—Further to his response to question No. 2080 (Hansard, 10 October 2005, page 165) concerning Mr Mamdouh Habib: (a) has the Government made any inquiries of (i) the Government of Pakistan, (ii) the Government of Egypt, and/or (iii) the United States (US) Government to determine the precise circumstances of Mr Habib's transfer from (aa) Pakistan to Egypt and (bb) Egypt to Afghanistan; if not, why not; (b) when did he, his department or any other agency within his portfolio first learn that Mr Habib was detained in Pakistan; (c) did Australian law enforcement or intelligence officers have any discussions with Pakistani officials concerning Mr Habib while he was detained in Pakistan; if so, on what dates did any discussions occur; (d) did Australian law enforcement or intelligence officers have any contact with Mr Habib while he was detained in Pakistan; if so, on what dates did contact occur; (e) did Australian law enforcement or intelligence agencies provide Pakistani officials with any information concerning Mr Habib while he was detained in Pakistan; (f) when did he, his department or any other agency within his portfolio first learn that Mr Habib was detained in Egypt; (g) did Australian law enforcement or intelligence officers have any contact with Mr Habib while he was detained in Egypt; if so, on what dates did contact occur; (h) did Australian law enforcement or intelligence officers have any discussions with Egyptian officials concerning Mr Habib while he was detained in Egypt; (i) did Australian law enforcement or intelligence officers provide Egyptian officials with any information concerning Mr Habib while he was detained in Egypt; (j) what explanation did the US Government give concerning Mr Habib's transfer from Egypt into US military custody in April 2002; and (k) what specific inquiries has he or his department undertaken in respect of allegations that Mr Habib was subjected to torture or inhumane treatment while he was detained in (i) Pakistan, (ii) Egypt and (iii) United States military custody.
- 6024 MR MELHAM: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Further to his response to question No. 635 (*Hansard*, 2 December 2002, page 9368): (a) by what means did his department first become aware of the possible detention of Mr Mamdouh Habib by Pakistani authorities in early October 2001; (b) by what means did his department seek to confirm Mr Habib's detention in Pakistan, and when was confirmation obtained; (c) by what means did his department became aware in November 2001 that Mr Habib was no longer in Pakistan and that he may have been transferred to Egypt; (d) when and by what means (including advice from other Australian agencies) did his department subsequently receive confirmation that Mr Habib was detained in Egypt (either prior to, or after, Mr Habib's transfer to Afghanistan); (e) what specific inquiries has he, or his department, undertaken in respect of allegations that Mr Habib was subjected to torture or inhumane treatment while he was detained in (i) Pakistan, (ii) Egypt, and (iii) United States military custody.
- 6025 MR BOWEN: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—In respect of his response to question No. 5333: (a) how many recommendations has the advisory group made; (b) how many of the recommendations have been accepted by the Minister for Justice and Customs; (c) to which organisations were grants provided and what was the value of each grant; (d) what are the number and value of grants not approved by the Minister for Justice and Customs; and (e) what are the number and value of grants not recommended by the advisory board but approved by the Minister for Justice and Customs.
- 6026 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer—For the financial year (a) 2002-03, (b) 2003-04, (c) 2004-05 and (d) 2005-06, what proportion of consolidated revenue was collected from (i) the Commonwealth fuel excise on petrol and (ii) GST applied to petrol.
- 6027 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer—For the financial year (a) 2002-03, (b) 2003-04, (c) 2004-05 and (d) 2005-06, what was the total revenue collected from (i) the Commonwealth fuel excise on petrol and (ii) GST applied to petrol.
- 6028 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer—For the financial year (a) 2002-03, (b) 2003-04, (c) 2004-05 and (d) 2005-06, what proportion of consolidated revenue was collected from (i) the Commonwealth fuel excise on LPG and (ii) GST applied to LPG.
- 6029 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer—For the financial year (a) 2002-03, (b) 2003-04, (c) 2004-05 and (d) 2005-06, what was the total revenue collected from (i) the Commonwealth fuel excise on LPG and (ii) GST applied to LPG.
- 6030 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—
  - (1) For each Federal electoral division, how many households have qualified for the Australian Broadband Guarantee Provider subsidy.

- (2) What is the name and address of each broadband service provider that has received funding under the Australian Broadband Guarantee program.
- (3) For each entity identified in Part (3), what sum has each broadband service provider received under the Australian Broadband Guarantee program.

#### 6031 MR MELHAM: To ask the Prime Minister—

- (1) When did he, his department, or any other agency within his portfolio, first learn that Mr Mamdouh Habib was detained in Pakistan.
- (2) When did he, his department, or any other agency within his portfolio, learn of contact between Australian intelligence and/or law enforcement officers and Pakistani officials concerning Mr Habib's detention in Pakistan.
- (3) When did he, his department or any other agency within his portfolio, first learn that Mr Habib was detained in Egypt.
- (4) When did he, his department or any other agency within his portfolio, learn of any contact between Australian intelligence and/or law enforcement officers and Egyptian officials concerning Mr Habib's detention in Egypt.
- (5) What explanation did he, his department or any other agency within his portfolio, receive, directly or indirectly, from the United States Government concerning the circumstances of Mr Habib's transfer from Egypt into US military custody in Afghanistan in April 2002.
- 6032 MR MELHAM: To ask the Prime Minister—What specific inquiries have been undertaken by the Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security in respect of allegations that Mr Mamdouh Habib was subjected to torture or inhumane treatment while he was detained in (a) Pakistan, (b) Egypt and (c) United States military custody, including the extent of knowledge by Australian intelligence and/or law enforcement agencies about Mr Habib's whereabouts and circumstances.
- 6033 MR MELHAM: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—
  - (1) What specific inquiries have been undertaken by the Australian Federal Police (AFP) in respect of allegations that Mr Mamdouh Habib was subjected to torture or inhumane treatment while he was detained in (a) Pakistan, (b) Egypt and (c) United States military custody.
  - (2) What is the outcome of any inquiries made by the AFP.
- 6034 **MR BEVIS:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—What is the average number of hours' usage per week, by location, for each individual Container Examination Facility (CEF).
- 6036 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—
  - (1) Can he confirm that the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) is responsible for the regulation of veterinary medicines, including vaccinations for household pets; if not, why not.
  - (2) Is he aware that the APVMA operates the Adverse Experience Reporting Program; if not, why not.
  - (3) Can he advise how many reports of adverse reactions to veterinary vaccines were submitted to the APVMA under the Adverse Experience Reporting Program in (a) 2002, (b) 2003, (c) 2004, (d) 2005 and (e) 2006; if not, why not.
  - (4) For each report identified in Part (3), (a) what was the nature of the adverse reaction and (b) what action has been taken to reduce the potential for, and severity of, the adverse reaction to the product that was the subject of the adverse reaction report.
- 6037 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—
  - (1) Is he aware of international reports suggesting that veterinarians and owners have under-reported the number of adverse reactions companion animals have had to veterinary medicines, including vaccinations.
  - (2) Has the Government taken steps to promote the role of the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority and Adverse Experience Reporting Program amongst veterinarians and companion animal owners; if so, what are the full details; if not, why not.
- 6038 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—
  - (1) Can he confirm that part of the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority's (APVMA's) 2005 Adverse Experience Report which states, inter alia, that "the number of adverse

- experience reports and the presenting signs observed may be listed under more than one active constituent if they refer to a product that contains multiple active constituents"; if not, why not.
- (2) When assessing veterinary products that have been the subject of an adverse reaction report, does the APVMA trace an adverse reaction to a polyvalent vaccine to a single antigen or active constituent; if so, how; if not, how does the APVMA assess reported veterinary products to be safe, effective and of acceptable quality.

### 6039 MR RIPOLL: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—

- (1) Since 2000, how many current and former employees of Comcare have applied for compensation payments and how many of those have been granted compensation payments by Comcare.
- (2) Since 2000, for each Commonwealth Government department and agency, how many current and former employees have applied for compensation payments and how many of those have been granted compensation payments by Comcare.
- (3) Since 2000, how many recipients of Comcare payments have had their payments discontinued despite Comcare having accepted liability in their cases under section 14 of the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988*.
- (4) Were any of the former compensation payment recipients identified in Part (3) notified by Comcare of the outcome of the case *Australian Postal Corporation v Ouydyn* (2003); if so, how many; if not, why not.

#### 6040 MS CORCORAN: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) Who determined, or determines, the individual membership of the Royal Australian College of Physician's Working Party to devise the national guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).
- (2) Will the working party meet the original timetable for (a) the availability of a draft report for public comment in October 2007 and (b) the release in January 2008 of the guidelines.
- (3) Is he committed to an evidence-based approach to the diagnosis and treatment of ADHD.

### 6042 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—

- (1) Can he confirm that part of the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority's (APVMA's) 2005 Adverse Experience Report which states that vomiting, lethargy, coughing and diarrhoea are the most frequently reported side effects of companion animal vaccines and that "appropriate warning statements and information is made available on product labels"; if not, why not.
- (2) Is it mandatory to disclose warning statements and information to companion animal owners on product labels; if not, why not.
- (3) Does the APVMA assess the long-term impact of vaccinations on the immunological functions of companion animals; if so, how; if not, why not.
- (4) Can he be certain that owners of companion animals are detecting and reporting to the APVMA veterinary products that (a) impact adversely on the long-term immunological functions of companion animals and (b) cause other unusual or rare conditions that were not evident in clinical trials and therefore not assessed during the APVMA registration process; if so, how; if not, why not.

### 6043 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—

- (1) Can he confirm that adverse experience reports for the active constituent fipronil have not been included in the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority's (APVMA's) 2005 Adverse Experience Report because "these products are currently under formal review by the APVMA"; if not, why not.
- (2) Can he advise which veterinary products contain the active constituent fipronil; if not, why not.
- (3) In respect of the APVMA's formal review of veterinary products containing the active constituent fipronil, (a) when did the review commence, (b) when will the review conclude and (c) will the review's findings be made public; if not, why not.
- (4) Has the APVMA received adverse experience reports for fipronil during the formal review into products containing that active constituent; if so, have these adverse experience reports been considered by the review team; and if not, why not.

# 6045 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence—

- (1) How many graduates are expected to enter officer training for each year of the forward estimates period.
- (2) How many graduates enter training to be an officer in the reserve.
- (3) How many of those newly recruited as enlisted personnel have previously attended university.

# 6046 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) What is the average length of a posting for Australian Defence Force (ADF) service personnel with child-care responsibilities.
- (2) What proportion of serving personnel with children receive a six-year posting.
- (3) What proportion of serving personnel with children receive consecutive postings at the same location.
- (4) What is the estimated cost of allowing regular ADF serving members with families to obtain consecutive postings in the same location.

### 6047 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister Assisting the Minister for Defence—

- (1) What is the average cost of providing medical care to Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel.
- (2) What is the average cost of providing medical care for the families of ADF personnel serving in remote locations.

#### 6048 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) What is the average amount of allowances paid to an Australian Defence Force (ADF) member for each year of the forward estimates period.
- (2) What is the total amount of allowances paid to ADF members for each year of the forward estimates period.
- (3) What will be the new salary scales and allowance payments for ADF personnel from 1 July 2008.
- 6049 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Minister for Defence—What is the expected rank distribution of new Australian Defence Force recruits.
- 6050 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Minister for Defence—What is the average amount of allowances paid to Australian Defence Force reservists.

#### 6051 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) What is the average rank distribution of Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel on deployment overseas.
- (2) What is the average length of overseas deployment for ADF personnel.

### 6052 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) How many child-care facilities sponsored, either directly or under contract, by the Department of Defence are available to Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel.
- (2) Are child-care facilities, sponsored either directly or under contract by the Department of Defence, provided to ADF personnel exempt from Fringe Benefits Tax.
- (3) What is the average (a) weekly and (b) hourly cost per child for (i) long day-care, (ii) after school care and (iii) occasional care of children of ADF personnel attending child-care centres sponsored, either directly or under contract, by the Department of Defence.
- (4) How many children of (a) ADF personnel and (b) Department of Defence employees attend each of the following child-care facilities: (a) ABC Russell Hill-Russell Hill Early Childhood Centre; (b) ABC Jervis Bay-Kangaroo Cottage; (c) ABC Cerberus-Cerberus Child Care Centre, (d) ABC East Sale-East Sale Child Care Centre; (e) ABC Williams-Williams Child Care Centre; (f) Puckapunyal Multi-Function Child Care Centre; (g) ABC Swanbourne-The Sunny Centre; (h) ABC Pearce-Flying Start; (i) ABC Amberley-Amberley Child Care Centre; (j) ABC Enoggera-Enoggera Long Day Care Centre; (k) ABC Kirwan East-Coral Sea Early Childhood Centre; (l) ABC Holsworthy-Little Diggers Child Care Centre; (m) ABC Richmond Central-Little Eagles Child Care Centre; (n) ABC Tingira-Tingira Children's Centre; (o) ABC West Street; (p) ABC Williamtown-Williamtown Early Learning Centre; (q) ABC Durack 1-Kids Brigade Child Care Centre; (r) ABC Durack 2-Durack Children's Centre; (s) ABC Tindal-Little Geckos Child Care Centre; (t) ABC Kensington; (u) ABC Townsville; (v) ABC Riverside Gardens; (w) ABC Salisbury North; (x) ABC Smithfield; (y) ABC Hoxton Park; (z) ABC Kooringal; (aa) ABC Lower Plenty; (bb) ABC Warnbro; (cc) ABC Aranda; (dd) ABC Cairns North; (ee) ABC Stuart Park; (ff) ABC Rockingham North; (gg) ABC Fairway Waters; (hh) ABC Jerrabomberra; (ii) ABC Stuart Park 2; (jj) ABC Annandale; (kk) ABC Wodonga

Central; (II) ABC St Leonards Central (site acquisition to be announced); (mm) ABC Golden Grove (anticipated opening January 2007); (nn) ABC Medowie (anticipated opening February 2007); and (oo) Defence and ABC Child Care Centre.

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#### 6053 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) In respect of contract number 1659282 for property expenses: (a) to which property does the contract relate; (b) what is the nature of the expense; (c) what does the contract include; and (d) what is the cost breakdown of the \$486,800.82 contract in terms of (i) items and (ii) services.
- (2) In respect of contract number 1657999 for furniture: (a) to which Head of Mission residence does the contract relate; (b) which furniture items does the contract include; (c) what is the cost breakdown of the \$49,146.00 contract in terms of (i) items and (ii) services; and (d) how many people occupy the residence to which the contract relates.
- (3) In respect of contract number 1658151 for art lease: (a) what specific artworks will the lease cover; (b) what is the unit cost of each artwork; and (c) where will the artworks be displayed.
- (4) In respect of contract numbers 1664547 and 1664540 for wines: (a) what is meant by the term 'representational costs'; (b) what is the cost breakdown in terms of (i) products and (ii) quantity; and (c) where have the products been used and distributed.
- (5) In respect of contract number 1663995 for a copyright licence fee: (a) for what specific uses of copyright was this fee paid and (b) how and where were the copyrighted items used.
- (6) In respect of contract number 1664010 for property refurbishment: (a) what is the location of the property to be refurbished; (b) what are the details of the refurbishments; and (c) what is the cost breakdown of the \$263,621.94 contract in terms of (i) items and (ii) services.
- (7) In respect of contract number 1663992 for translating and interpreting services: (a) what are the details of the services provided; (b) in which languages were services provided; and (c) are the language skills identified in Part (7)(b) not available in his department.
- (8) In respect of contract number 1663988 for building materials: (a) what specific building materials will be provided under the contract; (b) where will the building materials be used; (c) what is the cost breakdown of the \$85,699.15 contract in terms of (i) items and (ii) services; and (d) why was the selected contractor chosen.

# 6054 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) Is it the case that, in measuring teacher performance through student achievement, the effects of student participation in external coaching programs need to be 'partialled out', if the assessment of teacher performance is to be based validly on the individual teacher's own unique contribution to student achievement; if not, why not.
- (2) Will she ensure that the requirement for 'partialling out' is built into the pilot teacher performance schemes she is establishing; if so, how; if not, why not.

#### 6055 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—

- (1) Did the Minister issue a joint press release on 7 June 2007 with the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs in respect of government assistance for Age Pensioners who had invested with the collapsed Australian Capital Reserve (ACR) Limited.
- (2) Can the Minister confirm that part of the press release which states, inter alia, that "the deeming exemption means that any financial investment an age pensioner has in ACR will be exempt from the deeming rules" and "this move will provide some relief for age pensioners, who would have been unfairly disadvantaged without this exemption"; if not, why not.
- (3) Can the Minister advise whether the deeming exemptions are extended to Disability Support Pensioners who had invested with the collapsed Australian Capital Reserve Limited; if not, why not.

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# 6056 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Vocational and Further Education—

- (1) How many students who reside in the electoral division of (a) Werriwa and (b) Macarthur (i) have applied to study at, or (ii) are currently enrolled at, the Western Sydney Australian Technical College.
- (2) How many students residing in the postcode area (a) 2167, (b) 2168, (c) 2170, (d) 2171, (e) 2174, (f) 2178, (g) 2179, (h) 2555, (i) 2557, (j) 2558, (k) 2559, (l) 2560, (m) 2563, (n) 2564, (o) 2565,

- (p) 2566, (q) 2567, (r) 2568, (s) 2570, (t) 2745, (u) 2752 and (v) 2232 (i) have applied to study at, or (ii) are currently enrolled at, the Western Sydney Australian Technical College.
- 6057 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Vocational and Further Education—
  - (1) Will the second Western Sydney Australian Technical College be located in the electoral division of Lindsay; if so, what was the process by which the location was selected.
  - (2) Which other locations were considered as a possible site for the second Western Sydney Australian Technical College and what are the details of each.
  - (3) In respect of each alternative location identified in Part (2), why was it considered to be an unsuitable site for the second Western Sydney Australian Technical College.
- 6058 MR HAYES: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Is he aware of the comments attributed to the Member for Macarthur in the *Campbelltown-Macarthur Advertiser*, which stated that the Prime Minister will soon be making a decision on the future of the Badgery's Creek airport site.
  - (2) Has he written to councils in Western Sydney regarding future plans for the land reserved for the Badgery's Creek airport.
  - (3) What are the Government's plans for the land reserved for the Badgery's Creek airport.
- 6060 MR ANDREN: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—
  - (1) How many applications for concessional asset treatment for older Australians residing in rural and rural residential areas have, to date, resulted in the granting of (a) a full Age Pension and (b) a part Age Pension.
  - (2) How many (a) full and (b) part Age Pensions have been granted because the applicant satisfied (i) the 'private land use test', (ii) the 'extended land use test', or (iii) both tests.
  - (3) How many applications for concessional asset treatment for older Australians residing in rural and rural residential areas have, to date, not resulted in an Age Pension being granted.
  - (4) How many of the unsuccessful applicants did not satisfy (a) the 'private land use test', or (b) the 'extended land use test' (i) in total, (ii) because they did not have a 20-year continuous attachment to the land and their principal home, (iii) because they did not meet the effective use of land requirement, or (iv) because they did not have a 20-year continuous attachment to the land and their principal home, and did not meet the effective use of land requirement.
- 6061 **MR BEVIS:** To ask the Prime Minister—In respect of APEC 2007: (a) how many accreditation checks have been completed by ASIO; (b) how many are yet to be completed; (c) how many people failed the accreditation check; and (d) how are accreditation checks conducted.
- 6062 **MS GEORGE:** To ask the Minister for Vocational and Further Education—For each year since 1996, in the electoral division of Throsby, (a) how many trades and related workers were in training, (b) what was the completion rate for trades and related workers in training and (c) what was the total number of all new apprentices in training.
- 6063 **MS GEORGE:** To ask the Minister for Vocational and Further Education—In respect of the Illawarra Australian Technical College (ATC): (a) who are the Members of the Board; (b) was the projected enrolment of 50 students met at the beginning of 2007; if not, how many students were enrolled and what is the current level of enrolment; (c) what is the cost of the lease of the current premises on a (i) monthly and (ii) annual basis; (d) what are the projected costs for the building of the new ATC facility and when is construction scheduled to (i) commence and (ii) finish; (e) what was the purchase price of the land on which the facility is to be built; (f) where are the students undertaking their off-the-job trade training; (g) how many students have been accepted into an apprenticeship with a local employer; and (h) is the Illawarra ATC a registered training organisation.
- 6065 **MS OWENS:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—In respect of Australian pensioners who are currently Telstra customers and in receipt of the Telstra pensioner discount and/or Telstra reward options, and who have been asked to choose between these two options:
  - (1) how many pensioners in (a) Australia, (b) New South Wales, (c) the electoral division of Parramatta and (d) the postcode area (i) 2115, (ii) 2116, (iii) 2117, (iv) 2118, (v) 2142, (vi) 2145, (vii) 2146, (viii) 2147, (ix) 2148, (x) 2150, (xi) 2151, (xii) 2152 and (xiii) 2153 will be affected by this change;
  - (2) on average, what sum will pensioners in (a) Australia, (b) New South Wales, (c) the electoral division of Parramatta and (d) the postcode area (i) 2115, (ii) 2116, (iii) 2117, (iv) 2118, (v) 2142, (vi) 2145,

- (vii) 2146, (viii) 2147, (ix) 2148, (x) 2150, (xi) 2151, (xii) 2152 and (xiii) 2153 lose each week if they no longer receive (aa) the Telstra pensioner discount or (bb) their current reward options; and
- (3) what action will the Government take to compensate Australian pensioners for this loss.

# 6066 MS OWENS: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) How many (a) males, (b) females and (c) total residents of: (i) Australia; (ii) NSW; (iii) the electoral division of Parramatta; (iv) the postcode area 2115; (v) the postcode area 2116; (vi) the postcode area 2117; (vii) the postcode area 2118; (viii) the postcode area 2142; (ix) the postcode area 2145; (x) the postcode area 2146; (xi) the postcode area 2147; (xii) the postcode area 2150; (xiv) the postcode area 2151; (xv) the postcode area 2152; and (xvi) the postcode area 2153 have an outstanding or accumulated Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS) debt.
- (2) What is the total outstanding HECS debt for (a) males, (b) females and (c) all residents of: (i) Australia; (ii) NSW; (iii) the electoral division of Parramatta; (iv) the postcode area 2115; (v) the postcode area 2116; (vi) the postcode area 2117; (vii) the postcode area 2118; (viii) the postcode area 2142; (ix) the postcode area 2145; (x) the postcode area 2146; (xi) the postcode area 2147; (xii) the postcode area 2148; (xiii) the postcode area 2150; (xiv) the postcode area 2151; (xv) the postcode area 2152; and (xvi) the postcode area 2153.

# 6067 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—

- (1) Can he confirm that the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) can register companion animal vaccines that provide immunity of more than 12 months' duration; if not, why not.
- (2) Can he advise whether the APVMA has previously approved the registration and use of companion animal vaccines with a 39-month duration of immunity; if so (a) what was the name of each vaccine, (b) by whom was it manufactured, (c) were the vaccines previously registered for use in Australia with a 12-month duration of immunity and (d) what are the full details of the evidence provided to support the extended 39-month duration of immunity; if not, why not.
- (3) For each companion animal vaccine identified in Part (2), has the duration of immunity remained at 39 months; if not, (a) why not, (b) what is the revised duration of immunity and (c) what are the full details of the evidence provided to support the new duration of immunity.

# 6068 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—

- (1) Can he advise whether the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) refers to the United States Pharmacopoeia (USP), European Pharmacopoeia (EuPh) and British Pharmacopoeia (BP) during the registration process for veterinary products; if so, in what circumstances is reference made to the USP, EuPh and BP; if not, why not.
- (2) Have imported veterinary products previously been registered by the APVMA for use in Australia in a manner inconsistent with USP, EuPh or PB standards; if so, for each product registered in (a) 2004, (b) 2005 and (c) 2006: (i) what was its name; (ii) by whom was it manufactured; (iii) what was the nature of the inconsistency with USP, EuPh or PB standards; (vi) what are the full reasons provided for allowing the product to be registered for use in a manner inconsistent with USP, EuPh or PB standards; and (v) what evidence was provided to support the use of the product in such a manner.

### 6069 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Workforce Participation—

- (1) Can the Minister advise whether Disability Support pensioners below the age of eligibility for the Age Pension will receive the one-off payments announced in the 2007-08 Budget; if not, why not.
- (2) What additional funding, allowances or concessions were announced in the 2007-08 Budget to assist long-term Disability Support pensioners with the increasing costs of living, transport and health care; if no additional funding, allowances or concessions were provided, why not.

# 21 June 2007

6072 MR CREAN: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—In respect of the announcement in December 2004 of a \$388,149 (GST exclusive) Commonwealth Government grant made under the Dairy Regional Assistance Program to the All Saints Estate for the Indigo Cheese Venture in Albury-Wodonga: (a) to which companies was the grant provided; (b) did the recipient companies provide matching funds; if so, what sum; (c) by whom was the grant approved; (d) was the relevant Area Consultative Committee (ACC) consulted about the decision to award a grant to the venture; if so, what did the relevant ACC recommend; (e) was a grant application submitted; if so, (i) when, (ii) will he provide a copy and (iii) was the application assessed for value-for-money; if so, how; (f) if no grant application was submitted; why

- not; (g) was the project investigated for commercial viability before the funding was granted; (h) what was the purpose of the grant; (i) will he provide a copy of the funding agreement; if not, why not; (j) will he provide a copy of delivery milestones met by the project and a timetable showing the funding provided to the proponent against those milestones; if not, why not; (k) has all of the grant money been allocated to the project proponent; (l) how many jobs was this project to have provided; (m) how many jobs did the project provide; (n) will the Government seek to recover the grant money now that the cheese-making factory has closed and is for sale; and (o) who will receive the proceeds from the sale of the factory premises.
- 6073 **MR PRICE:** To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—For each of the past five years, how many patients have been (a) treated by, and (b) turned away from, the Darug Medical Service, 2 Palmerston Road, Mount Druitt.
- 6074 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Treasurer—Is he aware of the professional labour market survey undertaken by recruitment firm Michael Page International, which found that skills shortages may lead to salary increases of between five and seven per cent over the next year; if so, what is his response.
- 6075 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Prime Minister—In respect of the APEC Leaders' Week, which will be part of APEC Australia 2007: (a) when did the Government advise the hotels booked for the event that the city would become a 'no-go' zone during the week of the event; (b) in the past month, has the Government reduced the number of hotel rooms initially booked for the event; if so, (i) by what figure has the number of room bookings been reduced, (ii) will the Government be paying for the number of rooms used during the event, or for the number of rooms initially booked and (iii) does the Government intend to compensate the relevant hotels for revenue lost due to the reduction in the number of room bookings; if so, what percentage of the value of the total initial booking will be paid; (c) can he confirm that, when making the initial bookings, the Government received discounted rates due to the large number of rooms booked; and (d) has the Government considered the economic impact of the reduction in room bookings on the relevant hotels due to the loss of tourism revenue resulting from the decision to make the city a 'no-go' zone during the event.
- 6076 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—
  - (1) Has the Minister read the article titled 'Chinese textiles could pose cancer risk', which appeared in the *Sydney Morning Herald* on 21 May 2007; if not, why not.
  - (2) Is the Minister aware that (a) the carcinogenic chemical formaldehyde has links to leukaemia, lung cancer, skin and respiratory irritations and (b) textiles recently imported from China have contained high levels of formaldehyde; if not, why not.
  - (3) Are there restrictions on the importation of textiles containing formaldehyde; if so, what are the full details of those restrictions; if not, why not.
- 6077 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources—
  - (1) Has he read the article titled 'Chinese textiles could pose cancer risk', which appeared in the *Sydney Morning Herald* on 21 May 2007; if not, why not.
  - (2) Is he aware that (a) the carcinogenic chemical formaldehyde has links to leukaemia, lung cancer, skin and respiratory irritations and (b) textiles sold in Australia have contained high levels of formaldehyde; if not, why not.
  - (3) Are there restrictions on the manufacturing of textiles containing formaldehyde; if so, what are the full details of those restrictions; if not, why not.
- 6081 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Vocational and Further Education—
  - (1) Can he confirm that \$668 million was recently allocated in the 2007-08 Budget to vocational education and training; if not, why not.
  - (2) What portion of the funding identified in Part (1) has been allocated to TAFE colleges.
  - (3) What is the total amount of funding allocated by the Commonwealth to TAFE colleges in the 2007-08 Budget.
- 6082 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Vocational and Further Education—
  - (1) Can he confirm that FEE-HELP will be extended to students enrolled in Diploma and Advanced Diploma courses at registered training organisations, including TAFE; if not, why not.
  - (2) Will the Government be extending FEE-HELP to other vocational education and training (VET) courses; if so, which courses will be eligible for FEE-HELP loans.
  - (3) Can he be certain that the extension of FEE-HELP to VET courses will not have an inflationary effect on the costs of those courses; if so, how; if not, why not

#### 6083 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Vocational and Further Education—

- (1) Has he read an article titled 'No tech college graduates', which was published in *The Australian* on 8 June 2007; if not, why not.
- (2) What is his response to that part of the report which states, in respect of Australian Technical Colleges (ATCs), that "not one student has graduated and enrolments are below capacity".
- (3) How many students are currently enrolled at an ATC, and of those students, how many have apprenticeships.
- (4) Can he advise (a) which ATCs have arrangements under which TAFE colleges provide some course components to students and (b) what support is provided to TAFE colleges to fund the additional classes; if not, why not.
- (5) Will he undertake a review into the performance of ATCs; if so, (a) what will be the terms of reference for the review and (b) when will it commence; if not, why not.

## 6084 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Vocational and Further Education—

- (1) Can he advise what action the Government is taking to improve apprenticeship attrition rates; if not, why not.
- (2) Can he confirm that increasing the number of apprenticeships and reducing apprenticeship attrition rates will necessitate the provision of additional classes at TAFE colleges; if so, what additional support will the Government provide to TAFE colleges; if not, why not.

## 6085 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Vocational and Further Education—

- (1) What is the Government's expenditure for each student enrolled at an Australian Technical College.
- (2) What is the Government's expenditure for each student enrolled at a TAFE college.

### 6086 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) For each of the years (a) 2002, (b) 2003, (c) 2004, (d) 2005 and (e) 2006, what was the total number of school leavers enrolled at (i) TAFE college and (ii) university.
- (2) For each of the years (a) 2002, (b) 2003, (c) 2004, (d) 2005 and (e) 2006, what percentage of all school leavers enrolled at (i) TAFE college and (ii) university.
- (3) Can she advise what sum was allocated in the 2007-08 Budget to (a) TAFE colleges and (b) universities; if not, why not.
- (4) What is the total amount of funding allocated by the Commonwealth to TAFE colleges in the 2007-08 Budget.
- (5) Will she ensure that TAFE colleges are allocated a level of funding commensurate with the number of students enrolled; if so, how; if not, why not.

# 6087 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) Can she advise whether her department removed Aboriginal Tutorial Assistance Scheme (ATAS) funding from TAFE NSW colleges; if so, why was the funding removed; if not, why not.
- (2) Can she confirm that ATAS funding has been allocated to private vocational education and training (VET) providers; if so, (a) why and (b) how do private VET providers support publicly enrolled Aboriginal TAFE students; if not, why not.
- 6088 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—Is the Government committed to funding public post-secondary distance education; if so, what are the full details of the Government's commitment to (a) public distance education providers and (b) the Open Training Education Network; if not, why not.
- MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Has an international polling company undertaken research among Iraqi adults to determine their opinions regarding the following issues: (a) the single biggest problem facing Iraq as a whole; (b) how things are going in Iraq overall; (c) who currently controls things in Iraq; (d) support for the presence of coalition forces in Iraq; (e) whether their children will have a better life than themselves; (f) approval or disapproval of how Prime Minister Nori Al Maliki is doing his job; (g) whether Iraq is engaged in a civil war; (h) whether members of the National Assembly are willing, or unwilling, to make necessary compromises to bring peace and security to the country; (i) expectations as to how things will be for Iraq a year from now; (j) whether the security situation in Iraq will get better or worse in the immediate weeks following a withdrawal of multinational forces; (k) whether Iraq is generally heading in the right or wrong direction; and (l) whether the Iraqi Government should endorse a timetable for the withdrawal of the United States forces; if so what are the results of that research.

- 6091 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—For the month of (a) January, (b) February, (c) March and (d) April 2007, what was the size of Iraqi security forces on duty in Iraq in each of the following roles: (i) general police capability; (ii) national guard capability; (iii) armed forces; and (iv) border patrol; and, in respect of each service listed, what is its stated goal.
- 6092 **MR McCLELLAND:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—For each month since 1 July 2006, what has been the average number of daily insurgent attacks in the Iraqi provinces of Dhi Qar and Al Muthanna, and is there any evidence as to the identity of the perpetrators of the violence.
- 6093 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
  - (1) How many military personnel from (a) the UK, (b) South Korea, (c) Italy, (d) Poland, (e) Georgia, (f) Romania and (g) Denmark are serving in Iraq.
  - (2) Since July 2006, which of the countries identified in Part (1) have reduced the number of military personnel they have sent to Iraq and, for each country identified, by what magnitude have troop numbers been reduced.
  - (3) Which of the countries identified in Part (1) have announced an intention to reduce military personnel in Iraq by 30 June 2008.
- 6094 **MR McCLELLAND:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—For the month of (a) January, (b) February, (c) March and (d) April and (e) May 2007, what is the estimated number of foreign military personnel fighting the insurgency in Iraq.
- 6095 **MR** McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Since 1 January 2007, what progress has been made in respect of political benchmarks agreed upon between the US Government and the Iraqi Government, in particular: (a) oil revenue sharing; (b) reversing de-baathification; (c) new election laws; (d) scheduled provincial elections; (e) disbanding militias; (f) a plan for national reconciliation; (g) amending the constitution to address Sunni concerns; and (h) facilitating increased participation in government.
- 6096 **MR McCLELLAND:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—For the month of (a) January, (b) February, (c) March and (d) April and (e) May 2007, how many Iraqi people were newly displaced (i) internally and (ii) abroad.
- 6097 **MR McClelland:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—For the month of (a) January, (b) February, (c) March and (d) April and (e) May 2007, what was the estimated number of extra-judicial killings that occurred in Baghdad.
- 6098 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—What was the civilian death rate (a) in Baghdad and (b) outside Baghdad (i) before and (ii) after the US troop surge.
- 6099 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Is there any information on the effect of the US troop surge in Iraq in respect of: (a) the overall level of violence, compared with that of other countries undergoing civil conflict; (b) the level of violence compared with that experienced in Iraq in the year (i) 2003 and (ii) 2004; (c) the prevalence of car bombings; (d) the cessation of 'ethnic cleansing'; (e) the number of displaced persons per month; (f) the situation in (i) Karkuk and (ii) Mosul; (g) the progress of economic development; (h) the progress of utility performance; and (i) the performance of the Iraqi political system in resolving the core issues dividing Sunni from Shiite and from Kurd.
- 6100 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
  - (1) Has he inquired within his department to determine who replaced the December 1996 version of the pamphlet *Exporting to Iraq* with a new draft, dated January 2001.
  - (2) Has he sought an explanation for the change in wording in the new pamphlet; if so, what was the explanation he received.
- 6101 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
  - (1) Did Commissioner Cole find that the Minister for Foreign Affairs is the ultimate repository of the power to grant permission under the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958.
  - (2) What steps did he take to ascertain whether the Australian Wheat Board was complying with United Nations sanctions in relation to the Oil for Food program.
- 6102 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Since the publication of the findings of the Cole Inquiry, (a) what action has his department taken to ensure that, in future, issues as serious as the Australian Wheat Board bribery concerns are conveyed to his office by departmental officials and what specific operating procedures, guidelines and departmental training has been implemented to achieve this goal, and (b) have any investigations been undertaken within his department to determine whether any departmental official was guilty of gross dereliction of duty; if so, what are the details.

6103 **MR McCLELLAND:** To ask the Minister for Trade—Was the matter of inland transportation fees raised directly with him at any time before the Volcker Inquiry, during any trade negotiations with Iraq; if so, what was the nature of that representation and what information was conveyed to him.

# 7 August 2007

- \*6104 MS PLIBERSEK: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—
  - (1) What measures are in place to discipline Child Support Agency staff who access customer records without authorisation and have there been any changes to these measures since 2006; if not, why not.
  - (2) How has the Minister's department improved its services to reduce customer privacy breaches, especially in relation to the initiation of the Access Card.
  - (3) What are the most recent figures for the current child support population in Australia in respect of the number of (a) payees, (b) payers and (c) supported children.
  - (4) In respect of the figures provided on page 68 of the *Hansard* transcript of the Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee's Budget Estimates of Thursday, 24 May 2007, what is the breakdown of the total costs and on which aspects of the Child Support media campaign will the funds be spent.
  - (5) In respect of the \$1.8 million budgeted under the Child Support Scheme changes campaign to fund advocacy groups to provide communication with constituents; will there be a tendering process for funding; if not, (a) which advocacy groups will receive funding, (b) on what basis will they be selected and (c) what sum will each group receive (i) in total and (ii) per year.
- \*6105 **MS PLIBERSEK:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—In respect of the Tasmanian Freight Equalisation Scheme inquiry, (a) what changes have been instigated to reduce fraud and (b) will the Minister supply a copy of any recent evaluations that demonstrate how the system has reduced rorts.
- \*6106 MS PLIBERSEK: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—
  - (1) In respect of the proposal that the Access Card will indicate whether the cardholder has provided a 'full' level or an 'interim' level of registration, (a) what purpose will this information serve, (b) how will it improve fraud reduction and (c) will the rating be updated if the cardholder subsequently provides more points of identification (POI) documents.
  - (2) Will the Government make a full commitment to the recommendation made in the *Access Card Consumer and Privacy Taskforce Discussion Paper* on the Access Card registration process that all "proof of identity documents should not be scanned, copied or kept on file once those POI documents have been verified".
  - (3) How many additional staff (including contractors) will be hired by the Minister's department as a result of the introduction of the Access Card and at what projected cost.
  - (4) What is the total projected cost of the Access Card information awareness program.
  - (5) In respect of the \$977,398 that has been spent on market research for the Access Card project since the ORIMA Research contract began on 3 July 2006, (a) when will the final payment be made, (b) what brief was given to the market research company and (c) what questions were included in its research.
  - (6) Further to the information provided at the 2007-08 Budget Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee Estimates hearing of Thursday, 24 May 2007, that expenditure on the Access Card program to 31 March 2007 totalled \$3,068,000, including \$1,084,405 for media costs, \$977,398 for market research, \$190,000 for advertising and production costs and \$400,460 for public relations; upon what was the remaining \$415,737 spent.
  - (7) In respect of the increase in the budget allocated to the Department of Human Services (DHS) for the Access Card project from \$175.3 million in the 2006-07 Budget to \$516.3 million in the 2007-08 Budget, will the increase be funded by savings made in other Commonwealth departments; if so, which departments.
  - (8) For each of the next four financial years, what proportion of the DHS budget will be allocated to the Access Card program.
- \*6107 **MS PLIBERSEK:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—What is the reason for the discrepancies between the sums reported to be allocated for fraud and compliance measures in the most recent Portfolio Budget Statement, such as that associated with the consolidation and expansion of risk profile review for student payments for the financial years 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10, which was reported to be \$13 million at page 89 and \$3.8 million at page 262.

## \*6108 MS PLIBERSEK: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) What is the line item breakdown of the \$14 million budgeted for the Medicare Easyclaim campaign.
- (2) Since 1 January 2007, how many Family Assistance Office (FAO) customers have processed their claims at Medicare Australia branches and what proportion of all FAO customers does this figure represent.
- (3) Can the Minister confirm the statement made on the Medicare website that there is an FAO in all Medicare branches.
- (4) Nationally, how many Medicare Australia staff members have been trained in FAO work and how many have received the comprehensive 'tier two' training that enables them to deal with more complex FAO inquiries and claims.
- (5) What plans, if any, are there to train more Medicare Australia staff at the tier two level.
- (6) In future, will all Medicare Australia branch staff undergo basic FAO training.
- (7) Has Medicare Australia made an assessment of the proper classification of tier one and tier two FAO duties according to the Work Level Standards; if so (a) what are the respective classifications of Medicare Australia Customer Service Officers (CSOs) who deliver FAO services at (i) the tier one level and (ii) the tier two level, (b) are there any Medicare Australia CSOs delivering tier two FAO services who are currently paid at the APS 4 rate received by analogous Centrelink staff.
- (8) In respect of the trend towards greater integration between Medicare Australia and Centrelink, are there plans to change the Medicare Australia classification structure so that it is compatible with that of Centrelink.

#### \*6109 MS PLIBERSEK: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) Will the introduction of the Access Card deliver an increase in projected savings on fraud and compliance; if so, by what sum.
- (2) Are erroneous overpayments included in the calculation of the number of fraud cases committed through Centrelink.
- (3) Based on the most recent figures available, how many Centrelink records contain (a) at least one error and (b) an error resulting in an incorrect payment.
- (4) Can the Minister conform that answers 5 and 6 from page 75 of the Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee 2007-08 Budget Estimates Hearings indicate that 95.77 per cent of all Centrelink records are correct; if so, (a) how does that figure reconcile with the Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) release of May 2006, which reported that 54.7 per cent of records contained no error and 70 per cent of records contained an error which resulted in incorrect payment and (b) what has led to the improvement in accuracy since the issuing of the ANAO statement.
- (5) What is the current 'on hold' time for customers who telephone each of the following Centrelink numbers: (a) Employment Services, 13 2850; (b) Retirement Services, 13 2300; (c) Disability, Sickness and Carers, 13 2717; (d) Family Assistance Office, 13 6150; (e) Youth and Student Services, 13 2490; (f) ABSTUDY, 13 2317; (g) TTY ABSTUDY, FreeCALL™ 1800 639 109; (h) Financial Information National Seminar Booking Service, 13 6357; (i) Assistance for Isolated Children, 13 2318; (j) Centrelink Business Hotline, 13 1158; and (k) Assurance of Support, 13 2850.
- (6) Will the Minister provide data on the current waiting time for customers in Centrelink Customer Service Centres for each Centrelink office and indicating the Federal electoral division in which each office is located.
- (7) In (a) January, (b) February, (c) March and (d) April 2007, how many calls to Centrelink Service and Payment numbers were not answered.
- (8) What is the breakdown in terms of (a) full-time, (b) part-time and (c) casual employees of the 2,221 staff who separated from Centrelink between 1 July 2006 and 31 December 2006.
- (9) How many (a) full-time, (b) part-time and (c) casual employees separated from Centrelink in the financial year (i) 2000-01, (ii) 2001-02, (iii) 2002-03, (iv) 2003-04, (v) 2004-05 and (vi) 2005-06.
- (10) Is the Minister concerned about staff retention at Centrelink; if so what measures has the department instigated to improve retention rates.
- (11) Are Centrelink customer service officers more likely to leave employment than other Centrelink employees.
- (12) In respect of funds allocated to Centrelink's *Support the System* campaign, (a) what was the (i) total budget allocation, (ii) monthly expenditure and (iii) expenditure by line item for the 2005-06 and 2006-07 financial years, (b) what are the estimated funding requirements of the campaign for the

- financial year (i) 2007-08, (ii) 2008-09 and (iii) 2009-10 and (c) for each financial year identified in Part (b), what is the estimated cost breakdown of expenditure by line item.
- (13) For the 2006-07 financial year, what was the number of incidents in which Centrelink was involved with police on field operations (a) in total, (b) per month and (c) for each State and Territory.
- \*6110 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To ask the Minister for Defence—In respect of the Ermington Pre-Disposal Site Works (*Portfolio Budget Statement 2007-08*, pages 76-79): (a) what is the current status of the project; (b) what is the breakdown by line item of all funds expended to prepare the site for sale; (c) what is the current market value of the site; (d) when is the sale of the site expected to proceed; and (e) when will the financial benefit of the sale be reflected in the Budget papers.

### \*6111 MR FITZGIBBON: To ask the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Were contracts to transport Australian troops and heavy equipment to the Middle East let under competitive tendering arrangements.
- (2) What is the relationship between Strategic Aviation and the Portuguese company Hifly.
- (3) Were the aircraft that transported Australian troops to the Middle East owned by Hifly or by Strategic Aviation.
- (4) Does Strategic Aviation own any aircraft.
- (5) Which company holds the relevant licences and certificates to undertake the international flights that have been transporting Australian troops and heavy equipment.
- (6) Were any Australian aircraft available to transport Australian troops.

### \*6112 MR GIBBONS: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) Why were Newstart clients who attempted to hand in their earnings statements to Centrelink on Friday, 8 June 2007, prior to the public holiday of Monday, 10 June 2007, turned away and told to present them on Tuesday, 12 June 2007.
- (2) What is the Minister's response to the fact that payments into the accounts of the Newstart clients identified in Part (1) were delayed by one day, meaning that some were unable to meet their fortnightly financial obligations on time.
- (3) Will the Minister provide assurance that in future, Newstart clients can report their earnings to Centrelink prior to a public holiday to ensure that they are not financially disadvantaged.

## \*6113 MR GIBBONS: To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—

- (1) Can he confirm that upon receiving complaints about an employment service organisation, his department is instructed to advise the service organisation that it intends to undertake an audit of the organisation's finances, prior to any such audit taking place.
- (2) What is his response to the claim that prior warning of an audit may provide an employment service organisation with the opportunity to falsify records for the auditor.
- (3) What mechanisms exist to prevent employment service organisations from falsifying records following warning of an audit; if no such mechanisms exist, what action will be taken in future to prevent the presentation of falsified records by employment service organisations.
- \*6114 MR BEVIS: To ask the Attorney-General—In respect of the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* and for each financial year since July 2003, (a) what sum has been generated from the proceeds of crime, (b) from which sources has money been recovered, (c) which Commonwealth departments and agencies have received proceeds of crime funding and, for each body identified, what sum; and (d) which non-government departments and agencies have received proceeds of crime funding and, for each body identified, what sum.
- \*6115 MR BEVIS: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—In respect of the upcoming APEC summit in Sydney: (a) what has the Government done to prepare medical services for victims of a potential terrorist attack resulting in between 100 and 200 major casualties; (b) what consultation has he or his department undertaken with trauma services in Sydney and when, and with whom, did the consultation take place; (c) what measures have Sydney hospitals instigated to prepare for possible mass casualties; and (d) what preparations has the Commonwealth made for ambulance services to handle a potential terrorist attack resulting in between 100 and 200 major casualties.
- \*6116 **MR BEVIS:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—In respect of the Inspector of Transport Security, for each month since August 2006: (a) how many hours was the Inspector active in that role; (b) what inquiries were completed, or are being conducted, by the Inspector; and (c) how many (i) full-time and (ii) part-time staff does the Inspector have and where are they based.

- \*6117 MR BEVIS: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—In respect of Celebrating Democracy Week, 15-21 August 2007: (a) when did her office or department advise schools of the availability of grants to encourage school participation and how was that information transmitted; (b) were any Members of Parliament provided with advice of the program at that time; if so, which Members of Parliament and by what means; (c) when did she, or her office, advise (i) members of the Coalition and (ii) members of the Opposition of the availability of grants; (d) why was the letter that advised of the grants and activities for Democracy Week, which was forwarded from her office and received by some Members of Parliament, date-stamped 17 July, when applications for grants closed on 25 July; and (d) was the Liberal Party Secretariat or organisation advised; if so, when, by whom and by what means.
- \*6118 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—In respect of the extension of the requirement for checked bag screening at an additional 26 regional airports: (a) what criteria apply to the allocated expenditure of \$15.4 million over four years at the additional regional airports; (b) how will the \$15.4 million be distributed among the airports; (c) will all airports including Avalon Airport, a major metropolitan airport, receive Commonwealth funds to meet the cost of the new screening equipment; and (d) will passengers flying on jets from Avalon Airport be covered by the same level of security as passengers who fly on jets from Launceston, Mackay, Karratha, Brisbane, Sydney or Melbourne; if not, why not and how will the screening requirements differ.
- \*6119 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—In respect of the Government's requirement for 26 additional airports to have explosive trace detection equipment in place by 1 December 2007, (a) will the Government require single view technology (SVT) or multiple view technology (MVT) machines and (b) what is the cost of (i) an SVT machine and (ii) an MVT machine.
- \*6120 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Defence—Further to his responses to question No. 5697 and question No. 5558 (*Hansard*, 21 May 2007, page 122), noting that the annual base rent for Avalon Airport commenced at \$150,000 in 1997, for each financial year since the commencement of the lease and excluding adjustments based on the Consumer Price Index and GST, (a) what additional payments have been made by the lessee for revenue growth at the airport and (b) what was the agreed (i) base and (ii) gross revenue.
- \*6121 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—In respect of his approval of the development of a brick works at the Perth Airport site: (a) how many conditions of approval did he impose on the development (i) prior to and (ii) following the brick works becoming operational; (b) what were the conditions and what is the status of compliance by the brick works developer with each; (c) was there any requirement for the developer to reach agreement with the relevant State and local authorities in respect of annual payments for the maintenance or upgrade of surrounding roads; if so, when is the agreement to be settled and what is the current status of negotiations; (d) has construction of the brick works commenced; if so, at what stage is the construction process; (e) which government authority is responsible for building licence approvals and site monitoring for the development; (f) what stage has negotiation reached in respect of the design of the entry to the site from Kalamunda Road; and (g) what arrangements will be made to ensure an on-going fair and reasonable contribution for the maintenance and upgrade of surrounding roads, especially Kalamunda Road.
- \*6122 MR M. J. FERGUSON: To ask the Minister for Local Government, Territories and Roads—In respect of his commitment to allocate up to \$750,000 to fund a safety upgrade of the intersection of Bells Line Road and Old Bells Line Road at Kurrajong, (a) under which Auslink program will the project be funded; (b) when and by whom was the funding application lodged; (c) what was the nature of the application approval process; and (d) what contribution is being made to the project by the NSW Roads and Traffic Authority and/or the Hawkesbury Council.
- \*6123 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—Can he confirm that Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (a) is the most common and severe form of muscular dystrophy, (b) is progressively disabling and terminal and (c) that it affects one in every 3,300 boys; if so, what action is the Government taking to promote research into Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.
- \*6124 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Will the Government commit to an investment in the global effort to increase access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation by (a) increasing funding to \$350 million annually by no later than 2010; (b) developing and implementing specific policies on water and sanitation in the aid program, including employing specialist senior advisers to drive the process and (c) working cooperatively with partner countries and multilateral organisations such as the Asian Development Bank to develop and support national water and sanitation plans.

## \*6125 MR K. J. THOMSON: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) Why have I not received a reply to my letter of 30 January 2007 concerning the issuing of a Maritime Security Identification Card to Mr Carmelo Ciccone.
- (2) Did Mr Ciccone receive a Maritime Security Identification Card in February 2007.
- (3) Will he advise what happened to my letter after it was received by the Director of Maritime Security Identification Cards.
- (4) Will he investigate how a copy of my letter was leaked to an ABC journalist.
- (5) Did the Government undertake to guarantee the confidentiality of the Maritime Security Identification Card scheme upon its establishment.
- (6) Can he provide assurance that no-one within his office, or his department, passed my correspondence to the ABC or to any other third party.
- \*6126 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—Has the Government considered establishing a requirement for the labelling of alcoholic beverages; if so, (a) what reports, if any, have been received in respect of the benefits of labelling and (b) what is the Government's intention in respect of the labelling of alcoholic products.
- \*6127 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—In respect of his response to Parts (1) and (2) of question No. 5561 (*Hansard*, 10 May 2007, page 130), (a) did the "informal discussions" with the International Criminal Court (ICC) about further investigations into war crimes in Darfur include provision of evidence or recommendations relating to additional individuals that the court may prosecute; (b) has the Government considered utilising Article 14 of the Rome Statute to formally refer alleged offenders to the ICC; if so, has such action been taken; if not, why not; (c) is the Government aware of any evidence that individuals in Iran, Zimbabwe or Burma may be liable to prosecution by the ICC for war crimes or crimes against humanity; and (d) has the Government considered (i) utilising Article 14 of the Rome Statute to formally refer alleged offenders to the ICC or (ii) conducting "informal discussions" with the ICC in relation to the prosecution of individuals in Zimbabwe, Iran or Burma; if so, has such action been taken; if not, why not.
- \*6128 **MR McCLELLAND:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Further to his response to question No. 5890 (*Hansard*, 21 June 2007, page 121), will he provide an update on the Australia-China Human Rights Dialogue, which took place in China in July 2007.
- \*6129 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
  - (1) Is he aware of reports that the Chairman of the US House of Representatives Committee on Foreign Affairs, Mr Tom Lantos, has written to the Indian Prime Minister, Manmohan Singh, demanding that India cease cooperating with Iran in the military and energy spheres.
  - (2) Can he confirm that any future discussions regarding Australian uranium sales to India will include the condition that India cease military and energy cooperation with Iran.
- \*6130 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
  - (1) Is he aware of reports that the Government rejected an official request from the United States to redeploy Australian Army trainers to embed with Iraqi Security Forces operating in and around Baghdad.
  - (2) Can he confirm that the Government has rejected this request.
- \*6131 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
  - (1) Is he aware of the *Amnesty International Report 2007* and the *UNHCR Human Rights Watch World Report 2007*, both of which identify the ongoing and widespread abuse of human rights in Bangladesh.
  - (2) Is he aware that on 10 June 2007, the European Union expressed "deep concern" at the status of human rights in Bangladesh.
  - (3) Has there been a subsequent European Resolution on the issue of human rights in Bangladesh.
  - (4) What action has the Government taken in relation to the maintenance of human rights in Bangladesh.
  - (5) What action does the Government propose to take to ensure that internationally acceptable human rights standards are maintained in Bangladesh.
- \*6132 MR McCLELLAND: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
  - (1) Is he aware of the ABC's 7:30 Report story on the role of the Australian Embassy in the recent political unrest in Bangladesh.
  - (2) Can he confirm the veracity, or otherwise, of these claims.

## \*6133 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) For the financial year (a) 2004-05, (b) 2005-06 and (c) 2006-07, (i) what sum was spent on the maintenance and service of ticket machines in all Medicare offices, (ii) how many ticket machines were installed, (iii) how many ticket machines were replaced and (iv) what sum was paid to the company responsible for the maintenance and service of the ticket machines.
- (2) How long are the ticket machines in service before they are replaced.
- (3) What is the name of the company responsible for the maintenance and service of the ticket machines.

## \*6134 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) For the financial year (a) 2004-05, (b) 2005-06 and (c) 2006-07, what sum was spent by Medicare Australia on staff uniforms.
- (2) Since 2004, (a) how many staff uniform designs has Medicare had and (b) what sum was spent on each uniform design.

## \*6135 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—

(1) For the financial year (a) 2004-05, (b) 2005-06 and (c) 2006-07, (i) what sum was spent on couches in all Medicare offices, (ii) how many couches were installed, (iii) how many couches were replaced and (iv) from which company, or companies, does Medicare purchase its couches.

### \*6136 MS A. E. BURKE: To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) What sum was spent on (a) producing and (b) mailing the 2007 e-Tax CD.
- (2) How many 2007 e-Tax CDs were mailed to (a) individuals, (b) businesses, and (c) non-profit organisations.
- (3) How many of the 2007 e-Tax CDs mailed out were not requested by the (a) individuals, (b) businesses, and (c) non-profit organisations to whom they were sent.

## \*6137 MR JENKINS: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—

- (1) Is he aware that substancial discrepancies exist between various State and Territory jurisdictions in respect of the entitlements of pensioner concession card holders and Seniors Card holders.
- (2) For each State and Territory, what concessions, discounts and services are available to pensioner concession card and Seniors Card holders, including, but not limited to, public transport and access to ambulance services in both emergency and non-emergency situations.
- (3) How does Centrelink advise pensioners of their entitlements as pensioner concession card holders.
- (4) In respect of the information provided to pensioners by Centrelink, (a) is it State/Territory-specific, or national in scope and (b) how often is it updated.
- (5) Will he provide current examples of the advice provided to pensioners to inform them of their entitlements.

#### \*6138 MR ALBANESE: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—

- (1) Is he aware that, to date, there are 95 countries participating in Expo Zaragoza 2008: Water and Sustainable Development.
- (2) What is his response to the view that it is important for Australia to participate in international events such as the Expo.
- (3) Will he commit to sending a delegation to Expo Zaragoza 2008; if not, why not.
- (4) Is he aware that Spain was one of 36 countries to attend Expo Brisbane 1988: Leisure in the Age of Technology.
- (5) Has he, or his office, been approached and briefed by the Spanish Government, or a representative of the Spanish Government, in relation to Expo Zaragoza 2008.
- \*6139 **MS BIRD:** To ask the Attorney-General—Were any applications for the Local Grants Scheme (LGS) and the National Emergency Volunteer Support Fund (NEVSF) submitted by any community organisation or local government authority from the electoral division of Cunningham; if so, what was the name of each organisation and the amount of funding sought.

## \*6140 MS BIRD: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

(1) Further to his response to question No. 5769, is he aware of the Prime Minister's announcement on 12 July 2007 of the allocation of a Medicare-eligible magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) unit to north-west Tasmania.

- (2) In relation to the allocation of the MRI unit to north-west Tasmania: (a) upon what criteria was the placement of the MRI unit based; (b) when was the decision made; (c) will the same criteria apply to the allocation for the two remaining MRI units announced in the 2007-08 Budget; (d) have the locations of the two remaining MRI units been decided; if so, (i) where will they be located, (ii) when and by whom was the decision made and (iii) when will the decision be announced.
- \*6141 **MR GEORGANAS:** To ask the Minister for Ageing—For each profession involved in caring for aged care facility residents, what are the minimum staffing levels required of aged care facilities, and how have these staffing levels changed over the past 10 years.
- \*6142 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—Are Centrelink client service officers required to inform clients of their right to appeal decisions affecting their entitlements; if so, (a) how is the implementation of this policy monitored, (b) what opportunities are open to clients who are disadvantaged as a result of not being informed of their rights to appeal adverse decisions and to seek back-payment or other compensation and (c) what opportunities for improved service standards are open to staff who do not inform clients of their rights.
- \*6143 MR GEORGANAS: To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—
  - (1) What guarantees have been provided by the Egyptian Government in respect of the appropriate treatment of live exports to that country and slaughterhouse practices.
  - (2) What Egyptian laws permit the Australian Government to require improvements in relation to the treatment of live exports and what options does the Egyptian Government have in respect of enforcing the laws.
  - (3) What evidence has the Government received to demonstrate improvements in practices relating to live exports in Egypt.
  - (4) What evidence of improved practices is required before the Australian Government will lift the suspension of live trade to Egypt.
  - (5) What developments are occurring within Australia and Egypt that may decrease the proportion of live exports to Egypt and increase exports of chilled or frozen meat products.
- \*6144 MS GEORGE: To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—
  - (1) Can he confirm that Biogen Idec has made a further submission to the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee (PBAC) for the listing of Tysabri on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS).
  - (2) When will the PBAC give further consideration to the listing of Tysabri on the PBS.
  - (3) Will he provide assurance that consideration of the listing will be expedited for the benefit of patients diagnosed with multiple sclerosis; if not, why not.
- \*6145 MS GEORGE: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources—
  - (1) Does it remain the Government's intention that grants under the Port Kembla Industry Facilitation Fund (PKIFF) should "fund the creation of jobs in the Region that will be sustained into the future without ongoing government support"; if not, why not.
  - (2) Can he confirm that a grant of \$486,500 from the PKIFF was provided to Orrcon Operations to generate 14 additional direct jobs.
  - (3) Is he aware that 29 workers employed by Orrcon have recently lost their jobs, while the company received Commonwealth funds to create sustainable employment opportunities.
  - (4) Is he aware that a number of employees from the Unanderra site were relocated to work at the Port Kembla site, together with casual employees, and that no sustainable jobs were created; if not, why not.
  - (5) Can he confirm that Orrcon Operations has not generated 14 direct jobs and that the company is in breach of the funding guidelines; if not, why not.
  - (6) What action does he propose to take to recover taxpayer funds granted to Orrcon Operations in contravention of the funding guidelines.
  - (7) Will he provide a progress report on the remaining eight grant recipients to ensure that the 159 direct jobs that were to be created have in fact eventuated; if not, why not.
- \*6146 **MS GEORGE:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—Further to his responses to question No. 76 (*Hansard*, 30 May 2005) and question No. 5796, for each financial year from 2000-01 to 2005-06, for the Statistical Local Areas of Wollongong (C) and Shellharbour (C), will he provide (a) the full-time equivalent number of general practitioners (GPs) and (b) the GP-to-population ratio; if not why not and

what changes, if any, have been made to the statistical data collection practices of his department since May 2005 that would prevent this data from being supplied.

- \*6147 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Does the *Airports (Environment Protection) Regulations 1997* require both airport-lessee companies and airport operators that undertake operations at designated airports to manage the environmental impact of their activities at the airport site.
  - (2) Is Sydney Airport Corporation Limited (SACL) bound by the *Airports (Environment Protection)*Regulations 1997 to manage the environmental impact of its activities at the Sydney Airport site.
  - (3) Has SACL made commitments under the Sydney Airport Environment Strategy 2005-2010 to monitor air quality regularly at two air quality monitoring stations, one of which is located at the airport site and one in a neighbouring suburb, in order to comply with Schedule 1 of the *Airports* (Environment Protection) Regulations 1997.
  - (4) Do the air quality monitoring stations referred to in Part (3) test for: (a) non-methane hydrocarbons (VOCs); (b) carbon monoxide (CO); (c) total oxides of nitrogen (NOx); (d) particulate matter (PM<sub>10</sub>); (e) sulphur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>); (f) ozone (O<sub>3</sub>); (g) nitric oxide (NO); and (h) nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>).
  - (5) What is the most current data available in relation to the monitoring of air quality at the two air quality monitoring stations identified in Part (3) and what are the details.
  - (6) Is air quality information and data pertaining to emissions from Sydney Airport publicly available; if so, what are those details; if not, why not.
  - (7) Does SACL provide him with a copy of the air quality information it regularly submits to the New South Wales Department of Environment and Climate Change; if so, will he furnish a copy of this information to the Sydney Airport Community Forum; if not, why not.
- \*6148 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Is he aware of an incident involving the non-detection of a grenade within a passenger's checked luggage on board a flight from Los Angeles to Sydney; if not, why not.
  - (2) Can he confirm that his department has raised the incident with the United States Transport Security Authority as a 'screening failure'; if not, why not.
  - (3) Will he seek an explanation from US security agencies as to how and why this 'screening failure' occurred; if so, when; if not, why not.
- \*6149 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—Can he advise whether all cargo luggage is being screened at Sydney Airport for contraband and/or explosives; if not, why not.
- \*6150 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
  - (1) Further to his reply to question No. 3821 (*Hansard*, 29 November 2006, page 208) that details of security incidents and unlawful interference with aircraft at Sydney Airport "are of a security sensitive nature and are not public information as they may be used to analyse Sydney Airport's security procedures and measures", why will he not provide general details of the incidents that will not disclose Sydney Airport's security procedures and measures.
  - (2) Will he provide full details of those security incidents and unlawful interference with aircraft at Sydney Airport confidentially to myself or to the Shadow Minister for Homeland Security; if not, why not.
- \*6151 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—Can he advise whether security cameras at Sydney Airport operated by (a) Airservices Australia, (b) QANTAS and/or (c) Sydney Airport Corporation Limited were stolen, interfered with or were otherwise not functioning between May 2005 and July 2007; if so, what are the full details; if not, why not.
- \*6152 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Ageing—
  - (1) In which year were income-tested fees introduced for nursing home residents.
  - (2) For each year since the introduction of income-tested fees, how many nursing home residents in the electoral division of Lowe have paid, or are paying, income-tested fees.
  - (3) For each year since the introduction of income-tested fees, what is the total dollar amount of fees collected from residents in nursing homes in the electoral division of Lowe.
- \*6153 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services—
  - (1) Did the Minister issue a joint press release on 7 June 2007 with the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs in respect of government assistance for Age Pensioners who had invested with the collapsed Australian Capital Reserve (ACR) Limited.

- (2) Can the Minister confirm that part of the press release which states that "the deeming exemption means that any financial investment an Age Pensioner has in ACR will be exempt from the deeming rules" and "this move will provide some relief for Age Pensioners, who would have been unfairly disadvantaged without this exemption"; if not, why not.
- (3) Can the Minister advise the date from which the deeming exemption came into effect; if not, why not.
- (4) Can the Minister advise whether the exemptions will be applied to Age Pensioners who were deemed to have received income from ACR prior to the date identified in Part (3), even though no actual income was ever received; if so, how; if not, why not.

### \*6154 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—

- (1) Did he issue a joint press release on 7 June 2007 with the Minister for Human Services in respect of government assistance for Age Pensioners who had invested with the collapsed Australian Capital Reserve (ACR) Limited.
- (2) Can he confirm that part of the press release which states that "the deeming exemption means that any financial investment an Age Pensioner has in ACR will be exempt from the deeming rules" and "this move will provide some relief for Age Pensioners, who would have been unfairly disadvantaged without this exemption"; if not, why not.
- (3) Can he advise the date from which the deeming exemption came into effect; if not, why not.
- (4) Can he advise whether the exemptions will be applied to Age Pensioners who were deemed to have received income from ACR prior to the date identified in Part (3), even though no actual income was ever received; if so, how; if not, why not.

## \*6155 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) Has she read the Australasian Veterinary Boards Council's report titled *Review of Veterinary Science Education and Registration Requirements*, published in December 2004.
- (2) What is the Government's response to that part of the report which recommends that the "Department of Education, Science and Training review the basis of funding for veterinary science to take account of equity issues with like disciplines and the cost of clinical training".
- (3) Has her department conducted a review into the basis of funding for veterinary science courses; if so (a) when did the review commence, (b) when did the review conclude, (c) which stakeholders did her department consult during the review, (d) what were the findings, conclusions and recommendations of the review, (e) have the review's recommendations been implemented and (f) how have the recommendations been implemented; if not, why not.

## \*6156 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) Is she aware of international reports that recognise veterinary science as one of the most expensive professional education programs offered because of the high costs of clinical training; if not, why not.
- (2) Can she confirm that the provision of veterinary clinical training is expensive because of the large variety of animal species involved and the lack of government-funded clinical training centres; if not, why not.
- (3) Has the Government made arrangements to fund clinical training in veterinary science programs; if so, what are the full details of those arrangements; if not, why not.
- (4) Will the Government contribute to the cost of clinical training by providing a clinical loading to universities for each veterinary science student enrolled in the final two years of a veterinary science degree; if so, (a) what is the total value of that loading and (b) when; if not, why not

## \*6157 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—

- (1) Has she read the submission by the Australian Veterinary Deans' Committee to the Department of Education Science and Training's *Review of the impact of the Higher Education Support Act 2003*; if not, why not.
- (2) What is her response to that part of the submission that states "funding for veterinary education in the UK, USA, Canada and much of Europe is substantially higher than in Australia".
- (3) Which universities in Australia currently have veterinary schools.
- (4) For each of those universities identified in Part (3), what is the Government's total budget allocation for veterinary programs.
- (5) What funding amount is provided by the Government for each full-time HECS student enrolled in a veterinary science unit.

- (6) Will the Government increase the Commonwealth funding amount for each equivalent full-time student load veterinary science unit in funding cluster 9; if so, when; if not, why not.
- \*6158 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—Further to her reply to question No. 5576 that "it has never been stated in any Programme Guidelines that funding application periods will be open up until the end of 2008", how does she reconcile this statement with public statements by the former Minister for Education, Science and Training that "schools are eligible to receive up to \$150,000 in funding" and that "school communities that have not received funding in this round will have until 2008 to benefit from the programme".
- \*6159 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—
  - (1) Further to her reply to question No. 5576 that "while the funding limit for any one school was nominally \$150,000 over the life of the [Investing in Our Schools] programme, there was never any guarantee that every State government school would receive this amount", is she aware of any statements or representations made by Commonwealth Ministers or departmental officials that may have created the impression that schools could, at the very least, apply for up to \$150,000 until the end of 2008; if not, why not; if so, what is her response to those statements or representations.
  - (2) Will she ensure that those school communities that had the expectation that they could apply for up to \$150,000 until 2008, irrespective of the success of those applications, be given the opportunity to do so; if so, will the applications be assessed on their merits, in a manner that considers the needs and risks of each project; if not, why not.
- \*6160 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—Further to her reply to question No 5577 that "it has never been stated in any Programme Guidelines that schools may apply for [Investing in Our Schools] projects until the end of 2008", have officials from her department previously advised school principals, teachers and parents that applications for up to \$150,000 may be made until 2008; if so, will these school communities be given the opportunity to submit applications in accordance with the advice they received from her department, and if not, why not.
- \*6161 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—
  - (1) Since 8 August 2006, has the Minister received reports of any security incidents at (a) Sydney International Airport or (b) Sydney Domestic Airport; if so, what are the full details of those incidents; if not, why not.
  - (2) Since 8 August 2006, has the Minister received reports of any alleged criminal behaviour at (a) Sydney International Airport or (b) Sydney Domestic Airport; if so, what are the full details of those incidents; if not, why not.
- \*6162 MR MURPHY: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Justice and Customs—Can the Minister advise whether any security cameras used by the Australian Customs Service in the cargo-handling areas of (a) Sydney Airport and/or (b) any other Australian airport were stolen, interfered with or were otherwise not functioning properly between April 2006 and July 2007; if so, what are the full details; if not, why not.
- \*6163 **MR PRICE:** To ask the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs—In respect of the Government's one-off bonus payment of \$500 to older Australians, how many (a) men and (b) women who turned 65 in 2007 were (i) eligible for the payment and (ii) ineligible for the payment because they turned 65 in 2007 after the cut-off date.
- \*6164 MR PRICE: To ask the Attorney-General—
  - Are legal practitioners in the Federal and State jurisdictions required to be persons of good character and fame.
  - (2) Does he require the maintenance of high professional standards by legal practitioners.
  - (3) Can a solicitor registered in New South Wales (NSW) practise in Federal jurisdictions.
  - (4) Can a solicitor registered in NSW practise concurrently in another capacity, such as a migration agent or marriage celebrant; if so, is a disbarred solicitor prevented from continuing to act as a migration agent or marriage celebrant; if not why not.
  - (5) If a solicitor is barred from practising in NSW, does the NSW Attorney-General advise him that this has occurred.
  - (6) Does he advise his NSW counterpart if a migration agent or marriage celebrant is suspended; if not, why not.
  - (7) Does he initiate any action with the relevant legal disciplinary when a solicitor also practising as a migration agent is suspended for misconduct; if not why not.

- \*6165 **MR PRICE:** To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—For each State and Territory: (a) how many legal practitioners are registered to practise as migration agents; (b) how many of the legal practitioners identified in Part (a) have been suspended and, in each case, for what length of time; (c) when a migration agent who is also a legal practitioner is suspended does the Migration Agents Registration Authority also advise the Commonwealth Attorney-General and the relevant State Attorney-General, or relevant legal disciplinary body, of the suspension; if not why not.
- \*6166 MR EMERSON: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—Following advice received from SBS in February 2007 in relation to the poor reception of SBS broadcasts in Shailer Park, Logan City, Queensland, which stated, inter alia, that "there is no simple solution to the current problem" and that a "number of potential solutions have been identified, but their impact on other broadcaster channels, other consumers, future channel planning and the costs involved also need to be taken into account", what further action are the Government and SBS taking to improve reception of SBS in Shailer Park.
- \*6167 MS OWENS: To ask the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship—
  - (1) Can he confirm that as of 7 August 2007, persons who receive permanent visas under the contributory parent visa category must pay a first instalment application fee of \$1,390, a second instalment of \$31,555, a bond of \$10,000 and are ineligible to receive Centrelink benefits for ten years.
  - (2) Can he confirm that persons who receive permanent visas under the partner migration category, and who lodge their application from outside Australia, must pay an application fee of \$1,390 and are ineligible to receive Centrelink benefits for two years.
  - (3) Is he aware that some individuals have travelled to Australia under the contributory parent migration category and after two years have sponsored their partner under the partner migration category allowing that partner to become eligible for Centrelink benefits six years earlier than those who receive their visas under the contributory parent visa category; if so, (a) does this allow for some persons to travel to Australia at less expense than couples who travel to Australia together under the contributory parent migration category and (b) what is his response to this situation.

#### \*6168 MR GRIFFIN: To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs—

- (1) What is the current state of relations between the Turkish and Australian Governments in respect of Articles 128 to 134 of the 1923 Lausanne Treaty and the conservation of the ANZAC Cove area.
- (2) What is the current situation regarding future remedial and maintenance work on the ANZAC area roads.
- (3) Have any conservation and management programs been established to ensure the proper protection of World War I artefacts and human remains prior to, and during, any future road works.
- (4) What is the current situation and progress of the joint historical and archaeological survey team, which was selected following the publication of the report by the Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee titled *Matters Relating to the Gallipoli Peninsula* (12 October 2005).
- (5) Has this team begun surveying the ANZAC area; if so, (a) what progress has been made and which areas has it surveyed, (b) will be supply the National Trust with the details of the survey methodology and (c) what recommendations have been made regarding the conservation of sites, artefacts and human remains.
- (6) What is the policy regarding the conservation and protection of exposed human remains in the ANZAC area.
- (7) Has a keeping place, such as an ossuary, been constructed or planned, to house any human remains that are discovered in the area.
- (8) Has a program been established under which regular surveys may be carried out, particularly in areas of high tourist activity, by suitably qualified and experienced individuals, to detect and appropriately preserve and protect World War I artefacts and human remains.
- \*6169 MR CREAN: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—In respect of the Prime Minister's May 2007 announcement of a \$700,000 Commonwealth Government grant for a new aquatic centre in Lithgow: (a) under which Commonwealth program will the project be funded; (b) what is the purpose of the grant; (c) which Minister, or Ministers, approved the grant; (d) when and by whom was the funding announced; (e) which organisation is to receive the funding; (f) have matched funds been provided; if so, what sum and by which organisation; (g) is a funding agreement in place; if so, (i) will he provide a copy, (ii) by whom was it signed and (iii) when; (h) will he provide a copy of the project's delivery milestones, including a timetable of when they are to be met and

the payments to be made; if not, why not; (i) has any grant money been provided to the proponent to date; if not, when will the first payment be made; (j) what is the total cost of the project; (k) does the construction of the aquatic centre have the approval of the Bathurst Regional Council; (l) has the Bathurst Regional Council confirmed that it will also contribute funds to the project; and (m) was the Central Western NSW Area Consultative Committee consulted before the grant was announced; if so, what did it recommend.

- \*6170 MR CREAN: To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—In respect of the May 2007 announcement by the Member for Macquarie of a \$200,000 Commonwealth Government grant to the Bathurst Rugby Club premises in Hereford Street, Bathurst: (a) under which Commonwealth program will the project be funded; (b) what is the purpose of the grant; (c) which Minister, or Ministers, approved the grant; (d) which organisation is to receive the funding; (e) have matched funds been provided; if so, what sum and by which organisation; (f) is a funding agreement in place; if so, (i) will he provide a copy, (ii) by whom was it signed and (iii) when; (g) will he provide a copy of the project's delivery milestones, including a timetable of when they are to be met and the payments to be made; if not, why not; (h) has any of the grant money been provided to the proponent to date; if so, what sum and which project milestones has the proponent met; if not, when will the first payment be made; (i) what is the total cost of the project; (j) is the Bathurst Regional Council a partner in the project; and (k) was the Central Western NSW Area Consultative Committee consulted before the grant was announced; if so, what did it recommend.
- \*6171 MR GARRETT: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—
  - (1) What specific outcomes resulted from the High Level Meeting on Forests and Climate, which was held in Sydney from 23 to 25 July 2007.
  - (2) What agreements have been reached with the Government of Indonesia under the Global Initiative on Forests and Climate.
  - (3) Has the funding that he announced on 23 July 2007 of \$10 million to support efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions due to deforestation and to promote sustainable forest management in Indonesia been committed towards any specific projects; if so, what are these projects and when was the funding committed.
  - (4) Has the Global Carbon Monitoring System that he announced on 23 July 2007 resulted in the commitment of funding towards any specific projects; if so, what are these projects and when was the funding committed.
  - (5) Has funding been committed by any governments other than the Australian Government towards the Global Initiative on Forests and Climate; if so, which governments have committed funding and what is the sum of their respective commitments.
- \*6172 MR GARRETT: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—
  - (1) Which government office tenancies within his department and agencies have (a) developed Energy Management Plans and/or (b) undertaken energy audits.
  - (2) What is the status of the planned existing building upgrade strategy for government-owned and leased buildings, announced through the Australian Greenhouse Office in 2006 and when it is expected that this strategy will be completed and implemented.
- \*6173 MR GARRETT: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources—
  - (1) Which endangered and critically endangered Australian (a) species and (b) ecological communities are most vulnerable to climate change.
  - (2) Has his department undertaken any work to specifically identify which Australian species are most vulnerable to climate change; if so, when was this work undertaken and at what cost.
  - (3) Has his department undertaken any work to specifically identify which ecological communities are most susceptible to climate change; if so, when was this work undertaken and at what cost.
  - (4) What action has his department taken in respect of endangered and critically endangered species to protect them from climate change impacts.
  - (5) What action has his department taken in respect of endangered and critically endangered ecological communities to protect them from climate change impacts.
  - (6) What is the program of work of the Northern Australia Land and Water Futures Assessment.
  - (7) Will the reports of the Northern Australia Land and Water Futures Assessment be made public.

- (8) In respect of the report *Directions for the National Reserve System*, what is the percentage of extant regional ecosytems in each Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation for Australia region that is now represented in the NRS.
- (9) In respect of Australia's obligations under the International Wetlands Convention (Ramsar Convention), for each of the past five years, what has been the annual expenditure by the Commonwealth on assisting the States and Territories to manage the wetlands declared under the Convention
- (10) For each of the past five years, (a) which projects have been funded under the national investment stream of the National Heritage Trust and (b) what sum was provided to each program.

MR GARRETT: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. \*6174 - \*6176)—

- (1) Are the Minister's department and/or agencies aware of the 16 July earthquake, measuring 6.8 on the Richter scale, that hit Japan's north-west coast and disabled the world's largest nuclear reactor, the Kashiwazaki Kariwa power plant.
- (2) Are the Minister's department and/or agencies aware that as a result of the earthquake, the Kashiwazaki Kariwa nuclear plant experienced 50 cases of "malfunction and trouble", including burst pipes, fires, a leak of about 315 gallons of water containing radioactive material that was flushed out to sea, the release of Cobalt-60 and chromium-51 into the atmosphere and damage to approximately 100 drums of low-level nuclear waste.
- (3) Are the Minister's department and/or agencies aware that the Kashiwazaki Kariwa nuclear plant has been closed indefinitely and that this has caused major disruption to regional power supplies.
- (4) Are the Minister's department and/or agencies aware that officials at the Kashiwazaki Kariwa nuclear plant admitted that they had not foreseen such an earthquake hitting the facility.
- (5) Are the Minister's department and/or agencies aware that Kashiwazaki Kariwa nuclear plant's No. 1 reactor recorded tremors of 680 gals in the east-west direction and that this was more than twice the designed capacity of 273 gals.
- (6) Are the Minister's department and/or agencies aware that Japan's chief government spokesman, Yasuhisa Shiozaki, said the designs of other Japanese nuclear plants will be re-examined to make sure they are strong enough to resist all potential earthquakes.
- (7) Are the Minister's department and/or agencies aware that Yumio Ishii, President of the Japan Society of Civil Engineers, said on 20 July 2007: "I strongly feel we were lucky the disaster wasn't worse than it was. The quake-resistance standards for nuclear power plants definitely need to be reviewed."
- (8) Have the Minister's department and/or agencies undertaken work to assess risks posed by earthquakes to nuclear power stations and nuclear waste dumps in Australia; if so, what are the details.
- (9) Did the Minister's department and/or agencies provide advice relating the risks associated with earthquakes to the Uranium Mining, Processing and Nuclear Energy review; if so, what are the details.
- (10) Did the Uranium Mining, Processing and Nuclear Energy review commission any research into, or seek any advice on, the risks associated with earthquakes; if so, what are the details.
- (11) Have the Minister's department and/or agencies undertaken any action based on the impact of the 16 July Japanese earthquake upon the Kashiwazaki Kariwa power plant; if so, what are the details.
- (12) Is the 16 July 2007 Japanese example of the underestimation of the risks posed by earthquakes to nuclear power stations consistent with the understanding of the Minister's department and/or agencies concerning nuclear power station building safety standards.
- (13) Have the Minister's department and/or agencies provided any advice about the costs of nuclear power and waste disposal safety standards; if so, what are the details.
- \*6174 MR GARRETT: To ask the Prime Minister.
- \*6175 MR GARRETT: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- \*6176 MR GARRETT: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.

MR GARRETT: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. \*6177 - \*6179)—

- (1) Which Ministers and departments have official carriage of the climate change policy area.
- (2) In which document, or documents, was this responsibility most recently stipulated.
- \*6177 MR GARRETT: To ask the Prime Minister.

- \*6178 MR GARRETT: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- \*6179 MR GARRETT: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.

## \*6180 MR GARRETT: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources—

- (1) In respect of his comment on the SBS *Insight* program of 31 July 2007 that "We are investing \$400 million trying to clean up coal and investing \$1.4 billion in renewable energy", (a) what are the details of these claims in respect of Commonwealth funds (i) spent to date; (ii) currently budgeted; and (iii) committed by the Government.
- (2) By what year will the \$1.4 billion investment into renewable energy be entirely spent.
- (3) In which year was each element of the \$1.4 billion for renewable energy announced.
- (4) In respect of his comment on the SBS *Insight* program of 31 July 2007 that "If you add in the mandatory renewable investment, that is \$3.4 billion invested in Australia": (a) has the Mandatory Renewable Energy Target (MRET) delivered a \$3.4 billion investment in Australia; (b) what sum has the MRET cost each Australian household per year to provide this investment; and (c) has the basis for the Government's decision not to increase the MRET changed since its response to the Tambling Review; if so, what are the details.

MR GARRETT: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. \*6181 - \*6183)—

- Do government greenhouse gas emission projections indicate that Australia will meet its Kyoto target.
- (2) Can he guarantee that Australia will meet its Kyoto commitment.
- (3) In respect of the December 2006 Australian Greenhouse Office projection of a 109 per cent increase from 1990 levels over the Kyoto commitment period, how can Australia meet its Kyoto target of 108 per cent without reducing its emissions before the Kyoto commitment period ends.
- (4) On what basis does he make the claim that Australia will meet its Kyoto commitment.
- \*6181 **MR GARRETT:** To ask the Prime Minister.
- \*6182 MR GARRETT: To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.
- \*6183 MR GARRETT: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.

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Clerk of the House of Representatives

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Mr Adams, Mr Barresi, Mrs B. K. Bishop, Ms Corcoran, Mr Haase, Mr Hatton, Mr Kerr, Mr Quick, Mr Scott, Mr Secker, 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, Mrs Mirabella, Mr G. M. O'Connor, Mr Secker, Mr Tuckey, Mr Windsor.

Current inquiry:

Future development of the Australian honey bee industry.

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

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

Current inquiries:

Home loan lending practices and processes.

The state of Australia's manufactured export and import competing base now and beyond the resources boom

Review of the Reserve Bank Annual Report 2006 (second report).

**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.

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

Regulation of plumbing product quality.

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 inquiry:

The impact of illicit drug use on families.

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

Current inquiries:

Review of Audit Report No.19, 2006-2007: Administration of State and Territory Compliance with the Australian Health Care Agreements.

The health benefits of breastfeeding.

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 inquiries:

Developing Australia's non-fossil fuel energy industry.

Development of the non-fossil fuel energy industry in Australia (case study into renewable energy).

**LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS:** Mr Slipper (*Chair*), Mr Murphy (*Deputy Chair*), Mr M. D. Ferguson, Mrs Hull, Mr Kerr, Mr Melham, Mrs Mirabella, Mr Secker, Mr K. J. Thomson, Mr Tollner.

Current inquiries:

Older people and the law.

**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*), Mr Snowdon (*Deputy Chair*), Ms A. E. Burke, Mrs Draper, Mrs Gash, Mr Hartsuyker, Mr Melham, Ms Plibersek (nominee of the Deputy Leader of the Opposition), Mr Price, Mr Randall, Mr Somlyay (nominee of the Leader of the House).

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

Current inquiries:

Maintenance of the standing and sessional orders.

Question Time procedures.

The petitioning process.

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

Current inquiry:

Printing standards for documents presented to Parliament.

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

Current inquiry:

Pathways to innovation.

**SELECTION:** Mr Causley (*Chair*), Mr Barresi, Mr Bartlett, Mr Danby, Mrs Gash, Ms Hall, Mrs Hull, 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 COMMISSION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT INTEGRITY:** Senator Fierravanti-Wells (*Chair*), Senator Bishop (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Baird, Ms Hall, Mrs Hull, Mrs May, Mr Wilkie, Senator Crossin, Senator Parry.

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

Current inquiry:

The future impact of serious and organised crime on Australian society.

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

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

Current inquiries:

Exposure draft of the Corporations Amendment (Insolvency) Bill 2007.

Exposure draft of the Corporations Amendment (Takeovers) Bill 2006.

Structure and operation of the superannuation industry.

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

Current inquiries:

Review of administration and expenditure: Australian Intelligence Organisations—No. 5.

Review of the re-listing of Abu Sayyaf (ASG), Jamiat ul-Ansar (JuA), Armed Islamic Group (GIA) and Salafist Group for Call and Combat (GSPC) as terrorist organisations under the *Criminal Code Act 1995*.

Review of the re-listing of Hizballah's External Security Organisation (ESO) as a terrorist organisation under the *Criminal Code Act 1995*.

Terrorist Organisation Provisions of the Criminal Code Act 1995.

**PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT:** Mr Barresi (*Chair*), Ms Grierson (*Deputy Chair*), Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Broadbent, Mr Emerson, Dr Jensen, Jackie Kelly, Ms King, Dr Laming, Mr Tanner, Senator Bishop (appointed for the duration of the inquiry<sup>††</sup>), Senator Chapman, Senator Hogg, Senator Humphries, Senator Moore (discharged for the duration of the inquiry<sup>††</sup>), Senator Murray, 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 Hurley, Senator Parry, Senator Troeth.

Current inquiries:

Amberley, Qld—RAAF Base Amberley Redevelopment Stage 1.

Brisbane, Qld—CSIRO co-location with Queensland Government on the eco-sciences and health and health food sciences precincts.

Brisbane, Qld—Fit-out of new leased premises for the Australian Customs Service.

Butterworth, Malyasia—Rationalisation of ADF facilities at RMAF Butterworth.

C-17 Heavy Air Lift Infrastructure project.

Darwin, NT-Robertson Barracks redevelopment.

Jervis Bay Territory—HMAS Creswell Redevelopment.

Monegeetta, Vic—Land Engineering Agency test services relocation.

Pearce, WA—RAAF Base Pearce Redevelopment Stage 1.

Sydney, NSW—Villawood Immigration Detention Centre redevelopment.

Tindal, NT—Airborne Early Warning and Control Facilities, RAAF Base Tindal.

Tokyo, Japan—Refurbishment of staff apartments, Australian Embassy complex.

Woden, ACT—Fit-out of new leased premises for the Department of Health and Ageing in the Sirius Building.

# **Joint Standing**

**ELECTORAL MATTERS:** Mrs Mirabella (*Chair*), Senator Sterle (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Ciobo, Mr Danby, Mr Forrest, Mr Griffin, Senator Adams, Senator Carr, Senator Fierravanti-Wells, Senator Murray (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

*Current inquiry:* 

Certain aspects of the administration of the Australian Electoral Commission.

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 Kirk, Senator Sandy Macdonald, Senator Moore, Senator Payne, Senator Stott Despoja, Senator Trood, Senator Webber (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

Current inquiries:

Australia's aid program in the Pacific.

Australia's Regional Strategic Defence Requirements.

Australia's relations with India.

Australia's trade with Mexico and the region.

Australian Defence Force regional air superiority.

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

Review of the Defence Annual Report 2005-2006.

**MIGRATION:** Mr Randall (*Chair*), Senator Polley (*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:

Temporary business visas.

- NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES: Senator Lightfoot (*Chair*), Ms A. L. Ellis (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Causley, Mr Neville, Mrs Mirabella, Mr Secker, Mr Snowdon, Senator Crossin, Senator Hogg, Senator Joyce, Senator Lundy, Senator Stott Despoja (*Formed 18 November 2004*).
- **PARLIAMENTARY LIBRARY:** Mr Adams (*Chair*), Senator Trood (*Chair*), Mr Anderson, Mr Broadbent, Mr Georgiou, Mr Hatton, Mr B. P. O'Connor, Mr Wakelin, Senator Allison, Senator Hutchins, Senator McGauran, Senator Nash, Senator Webber (*Formed 7 December 2005*).
- **TREATIES:** Dr Southcott (*Chair*), Mr Wilkie (*Deputy Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Johnson, Mr Keenan, Mr Laming, Mrs May, Mr Ripoll, Mr Scott, Senator Bartlett, Senator Birmingham, Senator C. Brown, Senator Ian Macdonald, Senator McGauran, Senator Sterle, Senator Wortley (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

Current inquiries:

Treaty tabled on 27 March 2007 (V&P, 27 March 2007, p. 1807).

Treaties tabled on 9 May 2007 (V&P, 9 May 2007, p. 1854).

Treaties tabled on 13 June 2007 (V&P, 13 June 2007, pp. 1945-6).

# 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).