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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 90

THURSDAY, 15 MAY 2003



1 The House met, at 9 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable Neil Andrew) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 NATIONAL HANDGUN BUYBACK BILL 2003

Mr Williams (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for financial assistance for qualifying payments made by States and other expenditure in connection with the implementation of the handgun buyback, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Williams moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper

Mr Williams presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate adjourned (Mr Melham), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

3 CUSTOMS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2003

Mr Williams (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs Act 1901*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Williams moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper

Mr Williams presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate adjourned (Mr Melham), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

4 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2003

Mr Williams (Attorney-General) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Williams moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper

Mr Williams presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate adjourned (Mr Melham), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

5 CUSTOMS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2003

Mr Williams (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to customs, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Williams moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper

Mr Williams presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate adjourned (Mr Melham), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

6 SUPERANNUATION INDUSTRY (SUPERVISION) AMENDMENT BILL 2002

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Cox, 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, the House:

- (1) notes ongoing community concern on the safety of superannuation and the devastating effect of recent cases of theft and fraud on individual fund members;
- (2) condemns the Government for its mean-spirited failure to provide 100 per cent compensation, as permitted under legislation, in recent cases of theft and fraud;
- (3) demands that the Government immediately amend the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993* (the SIS Act) to ensure 100 per cent compensation is paid where superannuation savings are lost through theft and fraud; and
- (4) calls on the Government to give urgent consideration to further amendments to the SIS Act to expand the definition of an “eligible loss” beyond theft and fraud to include losses resulting from other serious breaches of the Act and extend compensation provisions to certain post-retirement investments”—

Debate resumed.

Amendment negatived.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), the Bill was read a third time.

7 SUPERANNUATION (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FUNDING) LEVY AMENDMENT BILL 2002

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), the Bill was read a third time.

8 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT) BILL 2002

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

It being 2 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 101A, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

9 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Paper

Mr Cox, by leave, presented the following paper:

Budget Monitor—Prospects for the Commonwealth budget 2002-03 to 2005-06, May 2003—Extract, p. 54 and Table, Budget balance and fiscal drag, 2001-02 to 2006-07.

Questions without notice continuing—

Paper

Mr Anderson (Minister for Transport and Regional Services) presented the following paper:

Scoresby transport corridor—Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the Government of Victoria, October 2001.

Questions without notice continuing—

Paper

Mr Albanese, by leave, presented the following paper:

Summary report from the Prime Minister's Youth Pathways Action Plan Taskforce 2001—The critical importance of education and training, p. 4.

Questions without notice continued.

10 PAPER

Mr Costello (Treasurer), during a personal explanation, presented the following paper:

Budget—Transcript of Address to the National Press Club by the Hon. Peter Costello MP, Treasurer, 14 May 2003.

11 PAPERS

Mr Zahra, by leave, presented the following papers:

Pakenham by-pass funding—Transcript of interview between Peter McGauran MP, Member for Gippsland and Peter Eustace, ABC Gippsland Radio, 14 May 2003.

Scoresby Freeway—Transcripts of interviews—

Hon. Peter Costello MP, Treasurer, Press Conference, 16 April 2003.

Hon. Peter Costello MP, Treasurer, and Jon Faine, ABC 3LO, 16 April 2003.

12 PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER

Mr Abbott (Leader of the House) presented the following paper:

Interactive Gambling Act 2001—Report on the operation of the prohibition on interactive gambling advertisements, January-December 2002.

and moved—That the House take note of the paper.

Debate adjourned (Mr Latham), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

13 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT

Mr Abbott (Leader of the House) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday, 26 May 2003, at 12.30 p.m., unless the Speaker fixes an alternative day or hour of meeting.

Question—put and passed.

14 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—MEDICARE

The House was informed that Mr S. F. Smith had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's destruction of Medicare and the dramatic decline in bulk billing to the detriment of Australian families".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr S. F. Smith addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

15 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—REPORT

Mr Randall (Chair) presented the following paper:

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Publications Committee reports that it has met in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate. The Committee, having considered documents presented to Parliament since 27 March 2003, recommends that the following be printed:

Australia and the Asian Development Bank—Report for 2001-02.

Australia and the IMF—Report for 2001-02.

Australia and the World Bank—Report for 2001-02.

Finance—Budget 2003-04—Ministerial statements—

Australia's overseas aid program.

Australia's regions: Working in partnership.

Investing for a sustainable Australia: Commonwealth environment expenditure.

Sustaining agriculture: The drought and beyond.

Women's budget statement.

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority—Report for 2001-02—Errata.

Higher Education—Report for the 2003-2005 triennium.

Pharmaceutical Benefits Pricing Authority—Report for 2001-02.

Productivity Commission—Report No. 24—Economic regulation of harbour towage and related services, August 2002.

Royal Commission into the Building and Construction Industry—Final report of Royal Commissioner, the Hon. Terence Cole, March 2003—

Volume 1—Summary of findings and recommendations.

Volume 3—National perspective, part 1.

Volume 4—National perspective, part 2.

Volume 5—Establishing employment and conditions.

Volume 6—Reform: Occupational health and safety.

Volume 7—Reform: National issues, part 1.

Volume 8—Reform: National issues, part 2.

Volume 9—Reform: National issues, part 3.

Volume 10—Reform: Funds.

Volume 11—Reform: Achieving cultural change.

Royal Commission into the failure of HIH Insurance—Report by the Royal Commissioner the Honourable Justice Owen, dated April 2003—

Volume I—A corporate collapse and its lessons.

Volume II—Reasons, circumstances and responsibilities.

Volume III—Reasons, circumstances and responsibilities.

DON RANDALL

Chair

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On the motion of Mr Randall, by leave, the report was agreed to.

16 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY

Ordered—That order of the day No. 4, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

17 DEVELOPMENT OF OFF-BASE HOUSING FOR DEFENCE AT ADAMSTOWN, NEWCASTLE, NSW—APPROVAL OF WORK

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Development of off-base housing for Defence at Adamstown, Newcastle, NSW.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

18 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—GOVERNOR-GENERAL RESOLUTION

Message No. 258, 15 May 2003, from the Senate was reported transmitting the following resolution agreed to by the Senate:

That the Senate—

(a) notes with concern that:

- (i) the Government has failed to respond to evidence of sexual abuse of children in our society and within our public institutions,
 - (ii) the independent report of the Diocesan Board of Inquiry found that Dr Peter Hollingworth, while occupying a position of public trust as Archbishop of Brisbane, allowed a priest to remain in the ministry after an admission of sexual abuse, and the Board of Inquiry found this decision to be ‘untenable’,
 - (iii) the Governor-General has admitted that he made a serious error in doing so,
 - (iv) Dr Peter Hollingworth, through his actions while in the Office of Governor-General, in particular his interview on ‘Australian Story’ and his apparent ‘reconstruction’ of evidence before the Diocesan Board of Inquiry, has shown himself not to be a person suitable to hold the Office of Governor-General,
 - (v) members of the House of Representatives, senators, and premiers and members of state parliaments have called upon the Governor-General to resign, or failing that, to be dismissed by the Prime Minister,
 - (vi) the Governor-General is now no longer able to fulfil his symbolic role as a figure of unity for the Australian people,
 - (vii) the Governor-General is now no longer able to exercise the constitutional powers of the Office in a manner that will be seen as impartial and non-partisan,
 - (viii) the Governor-General’s action in standing aside until the current Victorian Supreme Court action is resolved, does not address any of the issues surrounding his behaviour as Archbishop of Brisbane, and is therefore inadequate,
 - (ix) the Governor-General has failed to resign and the Prime Minister has failed to advise the Queen of Australia to dismiss him, and
 - (x) the Australian Constitution fails to set out any criteria for the dismissal of a Governor-General or a fair process by which this can be achieved; and
- (b) urges:
- (i) the Prime Minister to establish a Royal Commission into child sexual abuse in Australia, and
 - (ii) the Governor-General to immediately resign or, if he does not do so, the Prime Minister to advise the Queen of Australia to terminate the Commission of the Governor-General.

The Senate requests the concurrence of the House in this resolution.

Mr Abbott (Leader of the House) moved—That consideration of the message be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

Ms Roxon rising to address the House—

Closure

Mr Abbott moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Causley, in the Chair)—

AYES, 74

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr P. E. King	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Dutton	Mrs Ley	Mr Secker
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mr Farmer	Mr Lloyd	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Fran Bailey	Mr Forrest*	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
Mr Baird	Ms Gambaro	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Southcott
Mr Baldwin	Mrs Gash	Mr McGauran	Dr Stone
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mrs May	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Bartlett	Mr Haase	Mrs Moylan	Mr Ticehurst
Mr Billson	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hartsuyker	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hawker	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Brough	Mrs Hull	Ms Panopoulos	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Cadman	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cameron	Mr Johnson	Mr Prosser	Dr Washer
Mr Charles	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Ciobo	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Randall	Ms Worth
Mr Cobb	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Costello	Dr Kemp	Mr Schultz	

NOES, 57

Mr Adams	Mr Evans	Ms C. F. King	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Ms Roxon
Mr Andren	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Mr Beazley	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford
Mr Bevis	Ms George	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sciacca
Mr Brereton	Mr Gibbons	Mr McMullan	Mr Sercombe
Ms Burke	Ms Gillard	Mr Melham	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Byrne	Ms Grierson	Mr Mossfield	Mr S. F. Smith
Ms Corcoran	Mr Griffin	Mr Murphy	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Cox	Ms Hall	Ms O'Byrne	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr Wilkie
Mr Danby*	Ms Hoare	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Mr Zahra
Mr Edwards	Mrs Irwin	Mr Organ	
Ms Ellis	Ms Jackson	Mr Price	
Mr Emerson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Quick*	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That consideration of the message be made an order of the day for the next sitting—being accordingly put—

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Causley, in the Chair)—

AYES, 74

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr P. E. King	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Dutton	Mrs Ley	Mr Secker
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mr Farmer	Mr Lloyd	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Fran Bailey	Mr Forrest*	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
Mr Baird	Ms Gambaro	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Southcott
Mr Baldwin	Mrs Gash	Mr McGauran	Dr Stone
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mrs May	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Bartlett	Mr Haase	Mrs Moylan	Mr Ticehurst
Mr Billson	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hartsuyker	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hawker	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Brough	Mrs Hull	Ms Panopoulos	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Cadman	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cameron	Mr Johnson	Mr Prosser	Dr Washer
Mr Charles	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Ciobo	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Randall	Ms Worth
Mr Cobb	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Costello	Dr Kemp	Mr Schultz	

NOES, 58

Mr Adams	Mr Evans	Ms C. F. King	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Ms Roxon
Mr Andren	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Mr Beazley	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford
Mr Bevis	Ms George	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sciacca
Mr Brereton	Mr Gibbons	Mr McMullan	Mr Sercombe
Ms Burke	Ms Gillard	Mr Melham	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Byrne	Ms Grierson	Mr Mossfield	Mr S. F. Smith
Ms Corcoran	Mr Griffin	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Mr Cox	Ms Hall	Ms O'Byrne	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Danby*	Ms Hoare	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Mr Wilkie
Mr Edwards	Mrs Irwin	Mr Organ	Mr Zahra
Ms Ellis	Ms Jackson	Mr Price	
Mr Emerson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Quick*	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

19 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS MOVED**

Ms Roxon moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Member for Gellibrand moving forthwith a motion that the House:

(a) notes with concern that:

- (i) the Government has failed to respond to evidence of sexual abuse of children in our society and within our public institutions,
- (ii) the independent report of the Diocesan Board of Inquiry found that Dr Peter Hollingworth, while occupying a position of public trust as Archbishop of Brisbane, allowed a priest to remain in the ministry after an admission of sexual abuse, and the Board of Inquiry found this decision to be 'untenable',
- (iii) the Governor-General has admitted that he made a serious error in doing so,
- (iv) Dr Peter Hollingworth, through his actions while in the Office of Governor-General, in particular his interview on 'Australian Story' and his apparent 'reconstruction' of evidence

before the Diocesan Board of Inquiry, has shown himself not to be a person suitable to hold the Office of Governor-General,

- (v) members of the House of Representatives, senators, and premiers and members of state parliaments have called upon the Governor-General to resign, or failing that, to be dismissed by the Prime Minister,
 - (vi) the Governor-General is now no longer able to fulfil his symbolic role as a figure of unity for the Australian people,
 - (vii) the Governor-General is now no longer able to exercise the constitutional powers of the Office in a manner that will be seen as impartial and non-partisan,
 - (viii) the Governor-General's action in standing aside until the current Victorian Supreme Court action is resolved, does not address any of the issues surrounding his behaviour as Archbishop of Brisbane, and is therefore inadequate,
 - (ix) the Governor-General has failed to resign and the Prime Minister has failed to advise the Queen of Australia to dismiss him, and
 - (x) the Australian Constitution fails to set out any criteria for the dismissal of a Governor-General or a fair process by which this can be achieved; and
- (b) urges:
- (i) the Prime Minister to establish a Royal Commission into child sexual abuse in Australia, and
 - (ii) the Governor-General to immediately resign or, if he does not do so, the Prime Minister to advise the Queen of Australia to terminate the Commission of the Governor-General.

Closure of Member

Mr Abbott (Leader of the House) moved—That the Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Causley, in the Chair)—

AYES, 74

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr P. E. King	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Dutton	Mrs Ley	Mr Secker
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mr Farmer	Mr Lloyd	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Fran Bailey	Mr Forrest*	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
Mr Baird	Ms Gambaro	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Southcott
Mr Baldwin	Mrs Gash	Mr McGauran	Dr Stone
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mrs May	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Bartlett	Mr Haase	Mrs Moylan	Mr Ticehurst
Mr Billson	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hartsuyker	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hawker	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Brough	Mrs Hull	Ms Panopoulos	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Cadman	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cameron	Mr Johnson	Mr Prosser	Dr Washer
Mr Charles	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Ciobo	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Randall	Ms Worth
Mr Cobb	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Costello	Dr Kemp	Mr Schultz	

NOES, 59

Mr Adams	Mr Evans	Ms C. F. King	Mr Quick*
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr Ripoll
Mr Andren	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Ms Roxon
Mr Beazley	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Mr Bevis	Ms George	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford
Mr Brereton	Mr Gibbons	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sciacca
Ms Burke	Ms Gillard	Mr Melham	Mr Sercombe
Mr Byrne	Ms Grierson	Mr Mossfield	Mr Sidebottom
Ms Corcoran	Mr Griffin	Mr Murphy	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Cox	Ms Hall	Ms O'Byrne	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Danby*	Ms Hoare	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Edwards	Mrs Irwin	Mr Organ	Mr Wilkie
Ms Ellis	Ms Jackson	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zahra
Mr Emerson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Price	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Latham (seconder) addressing the House—

Closure of Member

Mr Abbott moved—That the Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Causley, in the Chair)—

AYES, 74

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr P. E. King	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Dutton	Mrs Ley	Mr Secker
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mr Farmer	Mr Lloyd	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Fran Bailey	Mr Forrest*	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
Mr Baird	Ms Gambaro	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Southcott
Mr Baldwin	Mrs Gash	Mr McGauran	Dr Stone
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mrs May	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Bartlett	Mr Haase	Mrs Moylan	Mr Ticehurst
Mr Billson	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hartsuyker	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hawker	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
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Mr Andren	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Ms Roxon
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Mr Bevis	Ms George	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford
Mr Brereton	Mr Gibbons	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sciacca
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Mr Cox	Ms Hall	Ms O'Byrne	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
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Mr Edwards	Mrs Irwin	Mr Organ	Mr Wilkie
Ms Ellis	Ms Jackson	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zahra
Mr Emerson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Price	

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion for the suspension of standing and sessional orders be agreed to—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Causley, in the Chair)—

AYES, 58

Mr Adams	Mr Evans	Mr Latham	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Ms Roxon
Mr Andren	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Mr Beazley	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford
Mr Bevis	Ms George	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sciacca
Mr Brereton	Mr Gibbons	Mr Melham	Mr Sercombe
Ms Burke	Ms Gillard	Mr Mossfield	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Byrne	Ms Grierson	Mr Murphy	Mr S. F. Smith
Ms Corcoran	Mr Griffin	Ms O'Byrne	Mr Tanner
Mr Cox	Ms Hall	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Danby*	Ms Hoare	Mr Organ	Mr Wilkie
Mr Edwards	Ms Jackson	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zahra
Ms Ellis	Mr Jenkins	Mr Price	
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Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr P. E. King	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Dutton	Mrs Ley	Mr Secker
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mr Farmer	Mr Lloyd	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Fran Bailey	Mr Forrest*	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
Mr Baird	Ms Gambaro	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Southcott
Mr Baldwin	Mrs Gash	Mr McGauran	Dr Stone
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mrs May	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Bartlett	Mr Haase	Mrs Moylan	Mr Ticehurst
Mr Billson	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hartsuyker	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hawker	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Brough	Mrs Hull	Ms Panopoulos	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Cadman	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cameron	Mr Johnson	Mr Prosser	Dr Washer
Mr Charles	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Ciobo	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Randall	Ms Worth
Mr Cobb	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Costello	Dr Kemp	Mr Schultz	

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

20 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT) BILL 2002

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Price, in the Chair)—

AYES, 70

Mr Abbott	Mr Ciobo	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Cobb	Jackie Kelly	Mr Secker
Mr Andren	Mrs Draper	Dr Kemp	Mr Slipper
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Dutton	Mr P. E. King	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Anthony	Mr Entsch	Mrs Ley	Mr Somlyay
Fran Bailey	Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Dr Southcott
Mr Baird	Mr Forrest*	Mr Lloyd	Dr Stone
Mr Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mr McArthur*	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Mr Ticehurst
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mrs May	Mr Truss
Mr Billson	Mr Haase	Mr Nairn	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Neville	Mrs D. S. Vale
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hartsuyker	Ms Panopoulos	Mr Wakelin
Mr Brough	Mr Hawker	Mr Pearce	Dr Washer
Mr Cadman	Mrs Hull	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Cameron	Mr Hunt	Mr Randall	Ms Worth
Mr Causley	Mr Johnson	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Charles	Mr Jull	Mr Schultz	

NOES, 54

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Beazley	Ms George	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Mr Bevis	Mr Gibbons	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sawford
Mr Brereton	Ms Grierson	Mr McMullan	Mr Sciacca
Ms Burke	Mr Griffin	Mr Melham	Mr Sercombe
Mr Byrne	Ms Hall	Mr Mossfield	Mr Sidebottom
Ms Corcoran	Mr Hatton	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Mr Danby*	Ms Hoare	Ms O'Byrne	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Edwards	Mrs Irwin	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Ms Vamvakinou
Ms Ellis	Ms Jackson	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Mr Wilkie
Mr Emerson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Organ	Mr Zahra
Mr Evans	Ms C. F. King	Ms Plibersek	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr Quick*	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Abbott (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations), the Bill was read a third time.

21 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS AMENDMENT BILL 2002

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Ms Worth—Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Ageing), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

22 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY

Ordered—That, by leave, orders of the day Nos 5 and 6, government business, be postponed until the next sitting.

23 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 2003-2004—BUDGET DEBATE

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr Slipper—Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

24 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration)—That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 8.01 p.m., adjourned until Monday, 26 May 2003 at 12.30 p.m., in accordance with the resolution agreed to this sitting.

PAPER

The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 15 May 2003:

Trade Practices Act—Determination—2003 Monitoring and reporting on competition in the telecommunications industry (No. 1).

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mrs Crosio, Mr Downer, Mrs Elson, Mr Hockey, Mr Howard, Mr Katter, Mr Kerr, Mr McLeay, Mr Snowdon, Mr Swan, Mr Tollner and Mr Windsor.

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MAIN COMMITTEE**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

THURSDAY, 15 MAY 2003

1 The Main Committee met at 9.40 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

3 MURRAY-DARLING BASIN AMENDMENT BILL 2002

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Mr Scott was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next day of sitting.

4 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mrs Gash, the Main Committee adjourned at 1 p.m.

The Deputy Speaker fixed Wednesday, 28 May 2003 at 9.40 a.m. for the next meeting of the Main Committee.

B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the Main Committee