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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 180

THURSDAY, 17 JUNE 2004

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

**2 PARLIAMENT HOUSE ART COLLECTION—STATEMENT BY SPEAKER**

The Speaker made a statement concerning the Parliament House art collection.

**3 ANTI-TERRORISM BILL (NO. 2) 2004**

Mr Ruddock (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to foreign travel documents, persons in relation to whom ASIO questioning warrants are being sought, associating with terrorist organisations, the transfer of prisoners, forensic procedures, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Ruddock presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**4 AUSTRALIAN ENERGY MARKET BILL 2004**

Mr I. E. Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the regulation of energy markets, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr I. E. Macfarlane moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

*Paper*

Mr I. E. Macfarlane presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**5 TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (AUSTRALIAN ENERGY MARKET) BILL 2004**

Mr I. E. Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the Australian Energy Regulator, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr I. E. Macfarlane moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

*Paper*

Mr I. E. Macfarlane presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**6 MARRIAGE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2004**

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 Ms Roxon, 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) opposes the proposals related to inter-country adoption as unwarranted and unjust interference by the Commonwealth into an area already tightly regulated by States and Territories and within their legislative responsibility;
- (2) notes Labor’s strong stance against discrimination on the grounds of sexuality, and, in particular, Labor’s:
  - (a) recognition and acknowledgement of same sex couples and their right to be full and active members of our community, free from discrimination and vilification; and
  - (b) commitment to an audit of all Commonwealth legislation following which legislative measures that are discriminatory on the basis of sexuality will be removed, thus ensuring equivalent status for same sex couples and de facto heterosexual couples; and
- (3) particularly notes Labor’s long-standing commitment to removing discrimination against same sex couples by implementing measures already proposed by Labor to remove discrimination in the area of superannuation”—

Debate resumed.

Amendment negatived.

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

*Consideration in detail*

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Ms Roxon, by leave, moved Opposition amendments (1) and (2) together.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 57

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Albanese	Ms George	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Mr Andren	Mr Gibbons	Ms Macklin	Mr Sawford
Mr Bevis	Ms Grierson	Mr McLeay	Mr Sciacca
Mr Brereton	Mr Griffin	Mr McMullan	Mr Sercombe
Ms Burke	Ms Hall	Mr Melham	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Byrne	Mr Hatton	Mr Mossfield	Mr S. F. Smith
Ms Corcoran	Ms Hoare	Mr Murphy	Mr Snowdon
Mr Crean	Mrs Irwin	Mr B. P. O’Connor	Mr Swan
Mrs Crosio	Ms Jackson	Mr G. M. O’Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Danby*	Mr Jenkins	Mr Organ	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Edwards	Mr Kerr	Ms Plibersek	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Emerson	Ms C. F. King	Mr Price	
Mr Evans	Mr Latham	Mr Quick*	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Ripoll	

## NOES, 78

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

\* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Mr Albanese having sought to move an amendment—

*Deputy Speaker's ruling:* The Deputy Speaker ruled that the proposed amendment was out of order as it was beyond the scope of the Bill and the long title.

Mr Danby moved an amendment.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

## AYES, 56

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

## NOES, 77

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

\* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Ms Plibersek moved an amendment.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

## AYES, 58

Mr Albanese	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 Macklin	Mr Sciacca
Ms Burke	Ms Grierson	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe
Mr Byrne	Mr Griffin	Mr McMullan	Mr Sidebottom
Ms Corcoran	Ms Hall	Mr Melham	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Cox	Mr Hatton	Mr Mossfield	Mr Snowden
Mr Crean	Ms Hoare	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Mrs Crosio*	Mrs Irwin	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Danby*	Ms Jackson	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Edwards	Mr Jenkins	Mr Organ	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Emerson	Mr Kerr	Ms Plibersek	Mr Wilkie
Mr Evans	Ms C. F. King	Mr Price	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr Ripoll	

## NOES, 76

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mr Dutton	Jackie Kelly	Mr Schultz
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mrs Elson	Dr Kemp	Mr Scott
Mr Anthony	Mr Entsch	Mr P. E. King	Mr Secker
Fran Bailey	Mr Farmer	Mrs Ley	Mr Slipper
Mr Baird	Mr Forrest*	Mr Lloyd	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Stone
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr McGauran	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Mrs May	Mr Ticehurst
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Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson	Mr Pyne	Mr Windsor
Mr Costello	Mr Jull	Mr Randall	Ms Worth

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And so it was negatived.

Bill agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Mr Ruddock (Attorney-General), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

#### 7 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2004 MEASURES NO. 1) BILL 2004—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS

The order of the day having been read for the consideration of the amendments made by the Senate—

On the motion of Mr Cameron (Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer), the amendments were agreed to.

#### 8 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Messages from the Senate, 16 June 2004, were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

Message—

No. 493—Tax Laws Amendment (2004 Measures No. 2) 2004.

No. 494—New International Tax Arrangements 2003.

No. 495—Parliamentary Superannuation 2004.

#### 9 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—PARLIAMENTARY SUPERANNUATION AND OTHER ENTITLEMENTS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2004

Message No. 496, 16 June 2004, from the Senate was reported returning the Parliamentary Superannuation and Other Entitlements Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 with amendments.

Ordered—That the amendments be considered forthwith.

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration) moved—That the amendments be disagreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

## AYES, 75

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Schultz
Mr Anderson	Mr Dutton	Jackie Kelly	Mr Scott
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mrs Elson	Dr Kemp	Mr Secker
Mr Anthony	Mr Entsch	Mr P. E. King	Mr Slipper
Fran Bailey	Mr Farmer	Mrs Ley	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Baird	Mr Forrest*	Mr Lloyd*	Mr Somlyay
Mr Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Stone
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Mrs Crosio*	Mrs Irwin	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Danby*	Ms Jackson	Mr Organ	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Edwards	Mr Jenkins	Ms Plibersek	Mr Wilkie
Mr Emerson	Mr Kerr	Mr Price	
Mr Evans	Ms C. F. King	Mr Ripoll	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Slipper presented reasons, which were circulated, and are as follows:

*Reasons of the House of Representatives for disagreeing to the amendments of the Senate  
Senate Amendments 1 and 2*

These amendments propose changes to limit the level of retiring allowance paid under the Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Scheme (PCSS) to senior Ministers to the level applying to a Cabinet Minister.

These changes would affect the future PCSS entitlements of existing Senators and Members (MPs). The arrangements in the package of Bills will ensure that all MPs in future Parliaments, both existing and new, have their superannuation benefits based on their total parliamentary salaries, regardless of the amount of those salaries. If it is appropriate for certain MPs to be paid a higher salary than a Minister, then it is entirely appropriate that the salary for superannuation purposes of that MP should also reflect that differential.

Accordingly, the House of Representatives does not accept these amendments.

On the motion of Mr Slipper, the reasons were adopted.

**10 TELECOMMUNICATIONS (INTERCEPTION) AMENDMENT (STORED COMMUNICATIONS) BILL 2004**

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.

**11 QUESTIONS**

Questions without notice being asked—

*Papers*

Mr Costello (Treasurer) presented the following papers:

Budget Reply Speech—Transcripts of interviews between Mr Latham, Leader of the Opposition, and—Alan Jones, 2GB, 14 May 2004—Media Monitors.

Alan Jones, 2GB, 14 May 2004—Australian Labor Party website.

Jon Faine, ABC Radio, Melbourne, 28 April 2004—Australian Labor Party website.

Questions without notice continuing—

*Papers*

Dr Nelson (Minister for Education, Science and Training) presented the following paper:

Future demand for vocational education and training—

Proposed letter from Dr Nelson, Minister for Education, Science and Training, and Mr Latham, Leader of the Opposition, to the State Premiers.

Report by Access Economics Pty Ltd for Department of Education, Science and Training, 24 May 2004.

Questions without notice continued.

**12 PAPER**

Mr Crean, by leave, presented the following paper:

Budget 2004-05—Transcript of the Acting Prime Minister's media conference, 7 June 2004.

**13 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT**

The Speaker presented the following paper:

Auditor-General—Audit report No. 53 of 2003-2004—Performance audit—The implementation of CrimTrac.

Ordered to be printed.

**14 PAPERS**

The following papers were presented:

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission—Telecommunications reports—2002-03—Report 1: Telecommunications competitive safeguards; Report 2: Changes in prices paid for telecommunications services in Australia; Report 3: Telstra's compliance with price control arrangements.

Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee—Report—Disclosure of commissions on risk products—Government response.

Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—Report on review of the operation of the universal service obligation and customer service guarantee, 7 April 2004.

Department of Health and Ageing—Private health insurance—Report on premium increases for quarter ending 31 March 2004.

Judge Advocate General—Report for 2003.

Native Title Act—Native title representative body—Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation—Report for 2002-03.

Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—52<sup>nd</sup> Report—Treaties tabled in March 2003—Government response.

**15 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—CHILDHOOD OBESITY**

The House was informed that Mr Griffin had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The Government’s failure to address one of Australia’s most concerning community health problems, the growing incidence of childhood obesity, until an election nears”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Griffin addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

**16 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE**

Messages from the Senate, 17 June 2004, were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

No. 497—Tax Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy and Medicare Levy Surcharge) 2004.

No. 498—Farm Household Support Amendment 2004.

No. 499—Export Market Development Grants Amendment 2004.

No. 500—Medical Indemnity Legislation Amendment (Run-off Cover Indemnity and Other Measures) 2004.

No. 501—Medical Indemnity (Run-off Cover Support Payment) 2004 (*without requests*).

No. 502—Electoral and Referendum Amendment (Access to Electoral Roll and Other Measures) 2004.

No. 503—Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Name Change) 2004.

No. 504—Bankruptcy (Estate Charges) Amendment 2004.

No. 505—Bankruptcy Legislation Amendment 2004.

**17 ADJOURNMENT**

Jackie Kelly (Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 5 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until Monday next at 12.30 p.m.

**PAPERS**

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 17 June 2004:

Lands Acquisition Act—

Statement under sub-section 40(3)—June 2004.

Statement under sub-section 125(5)—June 2004.

Parliament Act—Parliamentary Zone—Proposal for program of security enhancement projects around Parliament House, June 2004.

Taxation Administration Act—Rulings—

2000—No. TR 17 (Withdrawal).

2002—No. PR 91 (Withdrawal).

2003—No. PR 72 (Withdrawal).

2004—Nos CR 58, CR 59, PR 14 (Addendum), PR 30 (Addendum), PR 34 (Withdrawal), PR 40 (Addendum), PR 45 (Addendum), PR 72, PR 73, PR 74, PR 75, PR 76, PR 77, TR 4, TR 5.



**ATTENDANCE**

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Ms Ellis\*, Ms Gillard, Ms J. S. McFarlane\*, Ms O'Byrne, Mr M. A. J. Vaile and Mr Zahra.

\* On leave

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**I. C. HARRIS**  
Clerk of the House of Representatives

2002-03-04

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 180

**MAIN COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

THURSDAY, 17 JUNE 2004

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1 The Main Committee met at 9.40 a.m.

2 **MEMBERS' STATEMENTS**

Members' statements were made.

3 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 2004-2005—BUDGET DEBATE**

The order of the day having been read for further consideration in detail of the Bill—  
 Schedule—

Proposed expenditures—

Department of Transport and Regional Services, \$657 425 000—debated and agreed to.

Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, \$682 452 000—debated and agreed to.

Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts, \$1 968 136 000—debated and agreed to.

Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, \$1, 810 522 000—debated.

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*Suspension of sitting*

At 12.14 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

*Resumption of sitting*

At 12.26 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

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Debate continued.

Proposed expenditure agreed to.

Department of Defence, \$15 625 941 000—debated.

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*Suspension of sitting*

At 12.38 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

*Resumption of sitting*

At 12.48 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

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Debate continued.

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*Suspension of sitting*

At 1 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

*Resumption of sitting*

At 1.10 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

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Debate continued.

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*Suspension of sitting*

At 1.18 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

*Resumption of sitting*

At 1.30 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

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Debate continued.

Proposed expenditure agreed to.

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

**4 ADJOURNMENT**

Mr C. P. Thompson moved—That the Main Committee do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

At 1.48 p.m. the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee until Monday next at 5.30 p.m.

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**B. C. WRIGHT**  
Clerk of the Main Committee