

2004

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 2

WEDNESDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2004

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- 1 The House met, at 9 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable David Hawker) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 **OATH OF ALLEGIANCE BY MEMBER**
Dr Stone made and subscribed the oath of allegiance required by law.
- 3 **SUPERANNUATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2004**
Dr Stone (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to superannuation, and for related purposes.
Bill read a first time.
Dr Stone moved—That the bill be now read a second time.
Document
Dr Stone presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.
Debate adjourned (Mr McClelland), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 4 **HEALTH INSURANCE AMENDMENT (100% MEDICARE REBATE AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2004**
Mr Abbott (Minister for Health and Ageing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Health Insurance Act 1973*, and for related purposes.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Abbott moved—That the bill be now read a second time.
Document
Mr Abbott presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.
Debate adjourned (Mr McClelland), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 5 **AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANISATION AMENDMENT BILL 2004**
Mr Ruddock (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Act 1979*, and for related purposes.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Ruddock moved—That the bill be now read a second time.
Document
Mr Ruddock presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.
Debate adjourned (Mr McClelland), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 6 **CLASSIFICATION (PUBLICATIONS, FILMS AND COMPUTER GAMES) AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2004**
Mr Ruddock (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Act 1995*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Document

Mr Ruddock presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

7 SEX DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT (TEACHING PROFESSION) BILL 2004

Mr Ruddock (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Sex Discrimination Act 1984*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Document

Mr Ruddock presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

8 SCHOOLS ASSISTANCE (LEARNING TOGETHER—ACHIEVEMENT THROUGH CHOICE AND OPPORTUNITY) BILL 2004

Dr Nelson (Minister for Education, Science and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to grant financial assistance to the States for 2005 to 2008 for primary and secondary education, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Dr Nelson moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Document

Dr Nelson presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

9 STATES GRANTS (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2004

Dr Nelson (Minister for Education, Science and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the grant of financial assistance to the States for primary and secondary education, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Dr Nelson moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Document

Dr Nelson presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

10 INDIGENOUS EDUCATION (TARGETED ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL 2004

Dr Nelson (Minister for Education, Science and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to assistance for Indigenous education, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Dr Nelson moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Document

Dr Nelson presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

11 HIGHER EDUCATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3) 2004

Dr Nelson (Minister for Education, Science and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend higher education legislation, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Dr Nelson moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Document

Dr Nelson presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

12 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING FUNDING AMENDMENT BILL 2004

Mr Hardgrave (Minister for Vocational and Technical Education), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Vocational Education and Training Funding Act 1992*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hardgrave moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Document

Mr Hardgrave presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

13 AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2004

Mr Truss (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to agriculture, fisheries and forestry, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Truss moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Document

Mr Truss presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

14 TEXTILE, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR STRATEGIC INVESTMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT (POST-2005 SCHEME) BILL 2004

Mr Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Textile, Clothing and Footwear Strategic Investment Program Act 1999*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Macfarlane moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Document

Mr Macfarlane presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

15 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (TEXTILE, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR POST-2005 ARRANGEMENTS) BILL 2004

Mr Macfarlane (Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Macfarlane moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Document

Mr Macfarlane presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

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

16 CUSTOMS AMENDMENT (THAILAND–AUSTRALIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION) BILL 2004

Mr Billson (Parliamentary Secretary—Foreign Affairs and Trade), 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 Billson moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Document

Mr Billson presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Debate adjourned (Mr G. M. O'Connor), and the resumption of the debate, by leave, made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

17 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (THAILAND–AUSTRALIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION) BILL 2004

Mr Billson (Parliamentary Secretary—Foreign Affairs and Trade) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Billson moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

Document

Mr Billson presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Debate adjourned (Mr G. M. O'Connor), and the resumption of the debate, by leave, made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

18 ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH

Mrs Markus presented the Address in Reply to His Excellency's Speech, prepared by the committee appointed on 16 November 2004, which was read by the Clerk, as follows:

May it please Your Excellency:

We, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament.

Mrs Markus moved—That the Address be agreed to.

Mr Keenan seconded the motion.

Debate ensued.

Debate adjourned (Mr Crean), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

19 CUSTOMS AMENDMENT (THAILAND–AUSTRALIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION) 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 by Mr Crean who moved, as an amendment—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 notes the Government's failure to include provisions in the FTA covering labour and the environment”.

Debate continued.

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 immediately.

On the motion of Mr Billson (Parliamentary Secretary—Foreign Affairs and Trade), the bill was read a third time.

20 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (THAILAND–AUSTRALIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION) 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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved immediately.

On the motion of Mr Billson (Parliamentary Secretary—Foreign Affairs and Trade), the bill was read a third time.

21 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence abroad of Mr M. A. J. Vaile (Minister for Trade), Mr Anderson (Deputy Prime Minister) would answer questions on his behalf.

Mr Howard also informed the House that, during the absence abroad of Mr Downer (Minister for Foreign Affairs), Mr Ruddock (Attorney-General) would answer questions on his behalf.

22 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were asked.

23 DOCUMENT

Pursuant to section 65 of the *Parliamentary Service Act 1999*, the Speaker presented the following document:

Department of the House of Representatives—Report for 2003-04.

Document ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

24 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORTS

The Speaker presented the following documents:

Auditor-General—

Australian National Audit Office—Report for 2003-2004.

Audit reports of 2004–2005—

No. 9—Performance audit—Assistance provided to personnel leaving the ADF—Department of Defence; Department of Veterans' Affairs.

No. 10—Business support process audit—The Senate order for departmental and agency contracts (Calendar Year 2003 compliance).

No. 11—Performance audit—Commonwealth entities' foreign exchange risk management—Department of Finance and Administration.

No. 12—Performance audit—Research project management follow-up audit—Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO).

No. 13—Business support process audit—Superannuation payments for independent contractors working for the Australian Government.

No. 14—Performance audit—Management and promotion of citizenship services—Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs.

Documents ordered to be made Parliamentary Papers.

25 DOCUMENTS

The Speaker presented the following reports from committees of the 40th Parliament received after the last sitting of the House in 2004 pursuant to the standing orders:

Australian Crime Commission—Parliamentary Joint Committee—Examination of the annual report for 2002-03 of the National Crime Authority and the Australian Crime Commission; and

National Capital and External Territories—Joint Standing Committee—

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; and

Indian Ocean territories—Review of the annual reports of the Department of Transport and Regional Services and the Department of the Environment and Heritage.

Reports ordered to be printed.

26 DOCUMENTS

The following documents were presented:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Services—Report for 2003-04.
- Aboriginal Hostels Limited—Report for 2003-04.
- Aboriginal Land Commissioner—Report for 2003-04.
- Administrative Appeals Tribunal—Report for 2003-04.
- Administrative Review Council—Report for 2003-04.
- Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency Limited—Report for 2003-04.
- Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation—Report for 2003-04.
- Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation—Australia's individual action plan—2004.
- Attorney-General's Department—Report for 2003-04.
- Australia Business Arts Foundation Ltd—Financial statements—2003-04.
- Australia Council—Report for 2003-04.
- Australia Post—
- Equal employment opportunity—Report for 2003-04.
- Report for 2003-04.
- Australia-Indonesia Institute—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Broadcasting Authority—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Broadcasting Corporation—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Bureau of Statistics—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Communications Authority—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Customs Service—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Electoral Commission—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Film Commission—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Film Television and Radio School—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Government Information Management Office—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Government Solicitor—
- Report for 2003-04.
- Statement of corporate intent 2004-05.
- Australian Greenhouse Office—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Industrial Relations Commission and the Australian Industrial Registry—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Institute of Criminology and the Criminology Research Council—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Institute of Family Studies—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Institute of Marine Science—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Law Reform Commission—
- No. 99—Genes and ingenuity: Gene patenting and human health.
- No. 100—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Maritime Safety Authority—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian National Maritime Museum—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian National Training Authority—
- Report for 2003-04.
- Australian vocational education and training system—2003.
- Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Office of Financial Management—Report for 2003-04.
- Australian Prudential Regulation Authority—Report for 2003-04.

Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency—
Quarterly report of the Chief Executive Officer for period 1 January to 31 March 2004.
Report for 2003-04.

Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation—Report for 2003-04.

Australian Research Council—Report for 2003-04.

Australian Safeguards and Non-Proliferation Office—Report for 2003-04.

Australian Securities and Investments Commission—Report for 2003-04.

Australian Security Intelligence Organisation—Report for 2003-04.

Australian Statistics Advisory Council—Report for 2003-04.

Australian Strategic Policy Institute—Report for 2003-04.

Australian Trade Commission (Austrade)—Report for 2003-04.

Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre (AUSTRAC)—Report for 2003-04.

Australian War Memorial—Report for 2003-04.

Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation—Report for 2003-04.

Bankruptcy Act—Inspector-General in Bankruptcy—Report for 2003-04.

Bundanon Trust—Report for 2003-04.

Civil Aviation Safety Authority—Corporate plan 2004-05 to 2006-07.

Classification Board and Classification Review Board—Report for 2003-04.

Coal Mining Industry (Long Service Leave Funding) Corporation—Report for 2003-04.

Comcare—Report for 2003-04.

Commissioner for Complaints [Aged care]—Report for 2003-04.

Commissioner for Superannuation—Reports, incorporating reports on the administration and operation of the *Papua New Guinea (Staffing Assistance) Act 1973* and the *Superannuation Act 1922*—2003-04.

Commissioner of Taxation—Report for 2003-04.

Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions—Report for 2003-04.

Commonwealth Grants Commission—Report for 2003-04.

Commonwealth Ombudsman—Report for 2003-04.

Companies Auditors and Liquidators Disciplinary Board—Report for 2003-04.

Corporations and Markets Advisory Committee—Report for 2003-04.

Crimes Act—
Authorisations for the acquisition and use of assumed identities under Part 1AC—Australian Federal Police—Report for 2003-04.

Controlled operations—Report for 2003-04.

CrimTrac Agency—Report for 2003-04.

CSS Board—Commonwealth Superannuation Scheme—Report for 2003-04.

Defence Force Remuneration Tribunal—Report for 2003-04.

Defence Housing Authority—Statement of corporate intent 2004-05.

Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—Report for 2003-04.

Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—Report for 2003-04.

Department of Education, Science and Training —Report for 2003-04.

Department of Employment and Workplace Relations—Report for 2003-04.

Department of Family and Community Services—Report for 2003-04—Volumes 1 and 2.

Department of Finance and Administration—Report for 2003-04.

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade—Reports for 2003-04—
Volume 1—Foreign Affairs and Trade.
Volume 2—Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID).

Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs—Report for 2003-04.

Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources—Report for 2003-04.
Department of the Environment and Heritage—Report for 2003-04.
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet—Report for 2003-04.
Department of the Treasury—Report for 2003-04.
Department of Transport and Regional Services—AusLink white paper, June 2004.
Employment Advocate—Report for 2003-04.
Employment, Education and Workplace Relations—House of Representatives Standing Committee—
Report—Back on the Job: An Inquiry into aspects of Australian workers' compensation schemes—
Government response, June 2003.
Enterprise and Career Education Foundation—Report for 2003-04.
Export Finance and Insurance Corporation—Report for 2003-04.
Family Court of Australia—Report for 2003-04.
Family Law Council—Report for 2003-04.
Federal Court of Australia—Report for 2003-04.
Federal Magistrates Court—Report for 2003-04.
Federal Police Disciplinary Tribunal—Report for 2003-04.
Federal Privacy Commissioner—Report for 2003-04.
Film Australia Limited—Report for 2003-04.
Film Finance Corporation Australia Limited—Report for 2003-04.
Finance—Advance to the Finance Minister—
Statement for June 2004.
Supporting applications for issues from the Advance during June 2004.
Final Budget outcome 2003-04.
Financial Reporting Council and Australian Accounting Standards Board—Report for 2003-04.
Food Standards Australia New Zealand—Report for 2003-04.
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority—Report for 2003-04.
Housing Assistance Act 1996—Report for 2002-03.
Indigenous Land Corporation—
National indigenous land strategy 2001-2006 (Revised February 2004).
Report for 2003-04.
Industrial Relations Court of Australia—Report for 2003-04.
Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia—Report for 2003-04.
Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security—Report for 2003-04.
Inspector-General of Taxation—Report for 7 August 2003 to 30 June 2004.
International Air Services Commission—Report for 2003-04.
Maritime Industry Finance Company Limited—Report for 2003-04.
Medibank Private—
Report for 2003-04.
Statement of corporate intent 2004 to 2007.
Murray-Darling Basin Commission—Report for 2003-04.
National Archives of Australia and National Archives of Australia Advisory Council—Reports for
2003-04.
National Australia Day Council—Report for 2003-04.
National Gallery of Australia—Report for 2003-04.
National Library of Australia—Report for 2003-04.
National Museum of Australia—Report for 2003-04.
National Native Title Tribunal—Report for 2003-04.
National Oceans Office—Report for 2003-04.

National Residue Survey—Report for 2003-04.

National Standards Commission—Report for 2003-04.

Native Title Act—Native title representative bodies—

Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement Inc. Native Title Unit—Report for 2003-04.

Anindilyakwa Land Council—Report for 2003-04.

Central Queensland Land Council Aboriginal Corporation—Report for 2003-04.

Goldfields Land and Sea Council—Report for 2003-04.

Gurang Land Council Aboriginal Corporation—Report for 2003-04.

Kimberley Land Council—Report for 2003-04.

North Queensland Land Council Aboriginal Corporation—Report for 2003-04.

South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council—Report for 2003-04.

Tiwi Land Council—Report for 2003-04.

Yamatji Marlpa Barna Baba Maaja Aboriginal Corporation—Report for 2003-04.

National Witness Protection Program—Report on the operation of the *Witness Protection Act 1994* for 2003-04.

NetAlert Limited—Report for 2003-04.

Office of Parliamentary Counsel—Report for 2003-04.

Office of the Renewable Energy Regulator—Report for 2003-04.

Product Stewardship (Oil) Act—Independent review of the Act—Report prepared by The Allen Group, May 2004.

Product Stewardship for Oil Program—Independent review of the transitional assistance element of the Product Stewardship for Oil (PSO) Program—Report prepared by Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering, March 2004.

PSS Board—Public Sector Superannuation Scheme—Report for 2003-04.

Public Lending Right Scheme Committee—Report for 2003-04.

Public Service Commissioner—Report for 2003-04, incorporating the report of the Merit Protection Commissioner.

Remuneration Tribunal—Report for 2003-04.

Repatriation Commission, Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission, Department of Veterans' Affairs and the National Treatment Monitoring Committee—Reports for 2003-04.

Repatriation Medical Authority—
Report for 2003-04.
Report for 2003-04—Corrigendum.

Reserve Bank of Australia—
Equity and diversity—Report for 2003-04.
Report for 2003-04.

Royal Australian Air Force Veterans' Residences Trust Fund—Report for 2003-04.

Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission—Report for 2003-04.

Seafarers Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Authority—Report for 2003-04.

Services Trust Funds—Report for 2003-04.

Social Security Appeals Tribunal—Report for 2003-04.

Special Broadcasting Service Corporation (SBS)—Report for 2003-04.

Stevedoring Industry Finance Committee—Report for 2003-04.

Supervising Scientist—
Report for 2003-04.

No. 184—Investigation of the potable water contamination incident at Ranger mine, March 2004.

No. 185—Investigation of radiation clearance procedures for vehicles leaving the Ranger mine.

Sydney Airport Demand Management Act—Quarterly report on movement cap for Sydney airport—1 April to 30 June 2004.

Sydney Harbour Federation Trust—Report for 2003-04.

Telstra Corporation Limited—Report for 2003-04.

Tobacco Research and Development Corporation—Report for 2003-04 [Final report].

27 DOCUMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENTS

Mr Abbott (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following documents:

Australian Maritime Safety Authority—Report 2003-04.

Civil Aviation Safety Authority—Corporate plan 2004-05 to 2006-07.

Department of Transport and Regional Services—AusLink white paper, June 2004.

National Standards Commission—Report for 2003-04.

Stevedoring Industry Finance Committee—Report for 2003-04.

Sydney Airport Demand Management Act—Quarterly report on movement cap for Sydney Airport—1 April to 30 June 2004.

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

28 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—GOVERNMENT'S ELECTION MANDATE

The House was informed that Mr Latham (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's mishandling of its election mandate".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Latham addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

29 ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Address in Reply to the speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to (*see item number 18, page 20*)—

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr Hockey—Minister for Human Services), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

30 SPEAKER'S PANEL

The following warrant nominating members of the Speaker's panel, pursuant to standing order 17, was presented:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 17, I nominate—

Kimberley William Wilkie,
Dick Godfrey Harry Adams,
Kim Christian Beazley,
Michael John Hatton,
Harry Vernon Quick,

to be members of the Speaker's panel to assist the Chair when requested to do so by the Speaker or Deputy Speaker.

Given under my hand on 17 November 2004.

DAVID HAWKER
Speaker

31 SELECTION COMMITTEE

Mr Hockey (Minister for Human Services), by leave, moved—That Mr Danby, Ms Hall and Mr Wilkie be members of the Selection Committee.

Question—put and passed.

32 REGISTRAR OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

The House was informed that the Speaker, in accordance with resolution (3) of the House of Representatives relating to the registration of Members' Interests, had appointed Mr B C Wright, Deputy Clerk of the House of Representatives, as Registrar of Members' Interests in the 41st Parliament.

33 ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Address in Reply to the speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to (*see item number 18, page 20*)—

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr Ripoll), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

34 SELECTION COMMITTEE

Ms J. Bishop (Minister for Ageing), by leave, moved—That Mr Barresi, Mrs Gash, Mr McArthur and Mr Neville be members of the Selection Committee.

Question—put and passed.

35 SPEAKER'S PANEL

The following warrant nominating members of the Speaker's panel, pursuant to standing order 17, was presented:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 17, I nominate—

Alexander Michael Somlyay,

Robert Charles Baldwin,

Bronwyn Kathleen Bishop,

Peter John Lindsay,

Bruce Craig Scott,

to be members of the Speaker's panel to assist the Chair when requested to do so by the Speaker or Deputy Speaker.

Given under my hand on 17 November 2004.

DAVID HAWKER
Speaker

36 ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Address in Reply to the speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to (*see item number 18, page 20*)—

Debate having been resumed by Mr Ripoll—

37 ADJOURNMENT

It being 7.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Debate extended

It being approximately 8 p.m., the debate was interrupted.

Mr Anderson (Deputy Prime Minister) required the debate to be extended.

The debate continuing until 8.02 p.m., the Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 9 a.m.

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 17 November 2004:

Census and Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Statement—2004 No. 3.

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Safety Regulations—Airworthiness Directives—
Part 39-105—2004 20, 21 (2), 29 October, 1 (4), 4, 8 (7), 9 (6), 10 (5), 11 (3), 12 (11) November.

Part 39-106—2004 8, 9 (2) November.

Part 39-107—2004 8, 9 November.

Fisheries Management Act—Southern Bluefin Tuna Fishery Management Plan 1995—Determination—
2004 No. 5.

Higher Education Funding Act—Determination—2004 No. T38.

Higher Education Support Act—

Guidelines—Commonwealth Grant Scheme—2004 30 August.

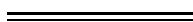
Higher education provider—Notices of approval—2004 29 October, 1, 9 (3), 15 (2) November.

Parliamentary Entitlements Act—2004—

Advice under paragraph 18(a)—30 August, 14 October.

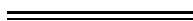
Advice under paragraph 18(b)—16 November.

Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act—Statement under subsection 230A(1)—Application for
financial assistance—KC Park Safe Superannuation Fund.



ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Downer, Mr Katter, Ms Panopoulos,
Mr Sawford and Mr M. A. J. Vaile.



I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives