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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 173

TUESDAY, 29 MAY 2007

1 The House met, at 12.30 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable David Hawker) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 INDIGENOUS EDUCATION (TARGETED ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT (2007 BUDGET MEASURES) BILL 2007

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 Ms Macklin 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 commits to the following goals:

- (1) to eliminate the 17 year gap in life expectancy between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians within a generation, so that every Indigenous child has the same educational and life opportunities as any other child;
- (2) to at least halve the difference in the rate of Indigenous students at years 3, 5 and 7 who fail to meet reading, writing and numeracy benchmarks within ten years;
- (3) to at least halve the mortality rate of Indigenous children aged under five within a decade; and
- (4) to a long-term, bipartisan national commitment to work with Indigenous Australians towards achieving these goals, and overcome generational disadvantage”.

Debate continued.

It being 2 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 97, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

3 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Member directed to leave

At 2.51 p.m. the Member for Grayndler (Mr Albanese) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for disorderly behaviour, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing—

Member directed to leave

At 3 p.m. the Member for Melbourne (Mr Tanner) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for continuing to interject after a warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing—

Member directed to leave

At 3.14 p.m. the Member for Denison (Mr Kerr) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for continual interjection, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing—

Prime Minister—Motion of censure

Mr Rudd (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, moved—That this House censures the Prime Minister for his refusal to tell the House and the Australian people how much taxpayers' money has been spent on the Climate Clever campaign and his cunning answers to avoid telling the Australian people the truth.

Debate ensued.

Member directed to leave

At 4.14 p.m. the Member for Cowan (Mr Edwards) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for continual interjection, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Debate continued.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 55

Mr Adams	Mr Emerson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Quick
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll
Mr Beazley	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Mr Fitzgibbon	Dr Lawrence	Mr Rudd
Ms Bird	Mr Garrett	Ms Livermore	Mr Sawford
Mr Bowen	Mr Georganas	Mr McClelland	Mr Sercombe
Ms A. E. Burke	Ms George	Ms Macklin	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Gibbons	Mr McMullan	Mr Snowdon
Mr Byrne	Ms Gillard	Mr Melham	Mr Swan
Mr Crean	Ms Grierson	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Danby*	Ms Hall*	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mrs Elliot	Mr Hatton	Ms Owens	Ms Vamvakinou
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hayes	Ms Plibersek	Mr Wilkie
Ms K. M. Ellis	Mrs Irwin	Mr Price	

NOES, 78

Mr Abbott	Mr Farmer	Mr Laming	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Fawcett	Mrs Ley	Mr Secker
Mr Andrews	Mr M. D. Ferguson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Slipper
Fran Bailey	Mr Forrest	Mr Lloyd	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Baldwin	Ms Gambaro	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mr McGauran	Dr Southcott
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Markus	Dr Stone
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Haase	Mrs May	Mr C. P. Thompson
Ms J. Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mrs Mirabella	Mr Ticehurst
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs Moylan	Mr Tollner
Mr Brough	Mr Henry	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Hockey	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Mr Causley	Mr Howard	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Ciobo	Mrs Hull*	Mr Pearce	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Cobb	Mr Hunt	Mr Prosser	Mr Vasta
Mr Costello	Dr Jensen	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mrs Draper	Mr Johnson	Mr Randall	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Mr Keenan	Mr Richardson	Mr Wood
Mrs Elson	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Entsch	Jackie Kelly	Mr Schultz	

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Questions without notice concluded.

4 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—CLIMATE CHANGE

The House was informed that Mr Garrett had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The need for the Government to develop a coherent strategy that responds to the great economic and environmental challenge of climate change”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Abbott (Leader of the House) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 76

Mr Abbott	Mr Farmer	Mrs Ley	Mr Schultz
Mr Anderson	Mr Fawcett	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Mr Andrews	Mr M. D. Ferguson	Mr Lloyd	Mr Secker
Fran Bailey	Mr Forrest	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr Baldwin	Ms Gambaro	Mr McGauran	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mrs Markus	Mr Somlyay
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mrs May	Dr Southcott
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Haase	Mrs Mirabella	Dr Stone
Ms J. Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mrs Moylan	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hartsuyker	Mr Nairn	Mr Ticehurst
Mr Brough	Mr Henry	Dr Nelson	Mr Tollner
Mr Cadman	Mrs Hull*	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Causley	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Tuckey
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Prosser	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson	Mr Pyne	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Costello	Mr Keenan	Mr Randall	Mr Vasta
Mrs Draper	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Richardson	Mr Wakelin
Mr Dutton	Jackie Kelly	Mr Robb	Dr Washer
Mr Entsch	Mr Laming	Mr Ruddock	Mr Wood

NOES, 56

Mr Adams	Mr Emerson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Price
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Kerr	Mr Quick
Mr Beazley	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms King	Mr Ripoll
Mr Bevis	Mr Fitzgibbon	Dr Lawrence	Ms Roxon
Ms Bird	Mr Garrett	Ms Livermore	Mr Sawford
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Mr Byrne	Ms Gillard	Mr Melham	Mr Swan
Mr Crean	Ms Grierson	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Mr Danby*	Ms Hall*	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mrs Elliot	Mr Hatton	Mr G. M. O'Connor	Ms Vamvakinou
Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Hayes	Ms Owens	Mr Wilkie
Ms K. M. Ellis	Mrs Irwin	Ms Plibersek	Mr Windsor

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS

A message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following bills:

28 May 2007—Message No. 295—

Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Radio) 2007.

Radio Licence Fees Amendment 2007.

Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment 2007.
 Primary Industries and Energy Research and Development Amendment 2007.
 Higher Education Legislation Amendment (2007 Measures No. 1) 2007.
 Migration Amendment (Maritime Crew) 2007.

6 INDIGENOUS EDUCATION (TARGETED ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT (2007 BUDGET MEASURES) BILL 2007

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 Macklin (see item No. 2, page 1907)*—

Debate resumed.

Amendment negatived.

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

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 296, 22 May 2007, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved immediately.

On the motion of Ms J. Bishop (Minister for Education, Science and Training), the bill was read a third time.

7 SCHOOLS ASSISTANCE (LEARNING TOGETHER—ACHIEVEMENT THROUGH CHOICE AND OPPORTUNITY) AMENDMENT (2007 BUDGET MEASURES) BILL 2007

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 S. F. Smith 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 welcomes the additional funding for rural, regional and remote non-Government schools but notes the failure to immediately address the need for additional funding for needy rural, regional and remote Government schools”.

Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 297, 28 May 2007, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved immediately.

On the motion of Ms J. Bishop (Minister for Education, Science and Training), the bill was read a third time.

8 AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (2007 MEASURES NO. 1) BILL 2007

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 and passed—bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 298, 21 May 2007, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved immediately.

On the motion of Mrs Ley (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry), the bill was read a third time.

9 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Truss (Minister for Trade) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 9.30 p.m., adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 29 May 2007:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Amendment Act—Proclamation under subsection 2 (1) fixing 28 May 2007 as the day on which Part 2 of Schedule 2 to that Act commences [F2007L01489].

Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act—Determination under section 57—2007 Confidentiality No. 7, 21 May [F2007L01526].

Building and Construction Industry Improvement Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2007 No. 127 [F2007L01468].

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Safety Regulations—Exemption—2007 No. CASA EX21 [F2007L01312].

Corporations Act—

Declaration under paragraph 1020F(1)(c)—Australian Securities and Investments Commission—Class Order CO 07/337 [F2007L01531].

Revocations and variation under subsections 951B(1) and 1020F(1)—Australian Securities and Investments Commission—Class Order CO 07/150 [F2007L01524].

Variation under paragraphs 1020F(1)(a) and 1020F(1)(c)—Australian Securities and Investments Commission—Class Order CO 07/151 [F2007L01527].

Criminal Code Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2007 No. 125 [F2007L01465].

Customs Act—Orders—

Tariff Concession—2007—

16 May [F2007L01516].

18 (5) May [F2007L01471], [F2007L01472], [F2007L01473], [F2007L01494], [F2007L01495].

Tariff Concession Revocation—2007—

2 May [F2007L01515].

4 May [F2007L01514].

8 May [F2007L01512].

9 May [F2007L01513].

10 (2) May [F2007L01510], [F2007L01511].

17 (3) May [F2007L01507], [F2007L01508], [F2007L01509].

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act—Proclamations—

Amending the proclamation of Kakadu National Park—23 May 2007 [F2007L01463].

Establishing the Cod Grounds Commonwealth Marine Reserve—10 May 2007 [F2007L01333].

Revoking the proclamation of the Kakadu Conservation Zone—23 May 2007 [F2007L01464].

Gene Technology Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2007 No. 128 [F2007L01317].

Migration Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2007 No. 129 [F2007L01460].

National Residue Survey (Excise) Levy Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instruments—2007 Nos 123, 124 [F2007L01455], [F2007L01459].

Primary Industries (Customs) Charges Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2007 No. 120 [F2007L01456].

Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instruments—2007 Nos 121, 122 [F2007L01457], [F2007L01501].

Social Security Act—Determinations—2007—

Social security exempt lump sum (Family day care start up payment) (DEST)—22 May [F2007L01502].

Social security exempt lump sum (Family day care start up payment) (DEWR)—22 May [F2007L01530].

Social security exempt lump sum (Family day care start up payment) (FaCSIA)—21 May [F2007L01499].

Taxation Administration Act—Instrument made under section 15-25 of schedule 1—28 May 2007 [F2007L01533].

Veterans' Entitlements Act—Regulations—Select Legislative Instrument—2007 No. 126 [F2007L01433].

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Baker, Ms Corcoran, Mr Downer, Ms Hoare, Mr Macfarlane and Mr Turnbull.

I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 173

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, 29 MAY 2007

1 The Main Committee met at 4 p.m.

2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements being made—

Document

Ms Macklin, by leave, presented the following document:

Heidelberg Primary School—School values (6).

Members' statements continued.

Suspension of meeting

At 4.30 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

Resumption of meeting

At 4.42 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

Members' statements continued.

3 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 2007-2008—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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Tanner, 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 is of the view that:

- (1) despite record high commodity prices from surging demand from India and China and rising levels of taxation, the Government has failed to secure Australia's long term economic fundamentals and should be condemned for its failure to:
 - (a) address Australia's flagging productivity growth;
 - (b) stem the widening current account deficit and trade deficits;
 - (c) attend to the long term relative decline in education and training investment undercutting workplace productivity;
 - (d) provide national leadership on infrastructure including a high speed national broadband network for the whole country;
 - (e) expand and encourage research and development to move Australian industry and exports up the value-chain; and
 - (f) reform our health system to equip it for a future focused on prevention, early intervention and an ageing population;

- (2) the Government's failure to address the damaging consequences of climate change is endangering Australia's future economic prosperity;
 - (3) the Government's extreme industrial relations laws will lower wages and conditions for many workers and do nothing to enhance productivity, participation or economic growth; and
 - (4) the Government's Budget documents fail the test of transparency and accountability"—
- Debate resumed.

Suspension of meeting

At 4.47 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

Resumption of meeting

At 4.59 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

Debate continued.

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

4 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mrs Gash, the Main Committee adjourned at 8.49 p.m.

The Deputy Speaker fixed 9.30 a.m. tomorrow for the next meeting of the Main Committee.

B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the Main Committee