THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 7

THURSDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2008

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

2 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS MOVED

Mr Pyne moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Honourable Member for Sturt from moving the following motion forthwith—That this House:

- (1) condemns the Government for its contemptible treatment of the Parliament in refusing to release legal advice it has that pertains to the operations of this House;
- (2) condemns the Government for its hypocrisy, in that it claimed a new era of "disclosure and transparency" in the Governor-General's speech to the Parliament at its opening, while covering up legal advice that has a direct bearing on the protections for members of this place afforded by parliamentary privilege;
- (3) condemns the Leader of the House for his reckless indifference to the impact the Government's changes to the standing orders may have in relation to parliamentary privilege by suspending quorum requirements, and urges the Government to proceed with an abundance of caution;
- (4) insists that the suspension of quorum requirements for Monday, Tuesday and Friday sittings be abandoned until the Government and the Parliament can be convinced that there is no ambiguity surrounding the Government's proposal; and
- (5) in the alternative to (4), proposes a moratorium on Friday sittings, until the legal status is unambiguous.

Debate ensued.

Member directed to leave

At 9.23 a.m. the Member for Ryan (Mr Johnson) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for interjecting while the Speaker was addressing the House, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

Debate continued.

The time allowed by standing order 1 for debate on the motion having expired—

Question-put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Jenkins, in the Chair)-

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Mr Abbott	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Secker
Mr Andrews	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Simpkins
Fran Bailey	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Slipper
Mr Baldwin	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Mirabella	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Billson	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mr Morrison	Mr Somlyay*
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hockey	Mrs Moylan	Dr Southcott
Ms J. Bishop	Mrs Hull*	Dr Nelson	Dr Stone
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hunt	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Ciobo	Mr Irons	Mr Pearce	Mr Tuckey
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Pyne	Mr Turnbull
Mr Costello	Mr Keenan	Mr Ramsey	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Downer	Mr Laming	Mr Randall	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Dutton	Ms Ley	Mr Robb	Dr Washer
Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Robert	Mr Wood
Mr Forrest	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Ruddock	
Mrs Gash	Mr McGauran	Mr Scott	
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Mr Adams	Mr Debus	Dr Kelly	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Ms Rishworth
Mr Bevis	Mrs Elliot	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Ms Livermore	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Mr Shorten
Mr Bowen	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Bradbury	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr Garrett	Mr Marles	Mr Snowdon
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Georganas	Mr Melham	Mr Sullivan
Mr Butler	Ms George	Mr Murphy	Mr Symon
Mr Byrne	Mr Gibbons	Ms Neal	Mr Tanner
Ms Campbell	Ms Gillard	Mr Neumann	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Champion	Mr Gray	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Cheeseman	Ms Grierson	Ms Owens	Mr Trevor
Mr Clare	Mr Griffin	Ms Parke	Mr Turnour
Ms Collins	Mr Hale	Mr Perrett	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Combet	Ms Hall*	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zappia
Mr Crean	Mr Hayes*	Mr Price	
Mr Danby	Mrs Irwin	Mr Raguse	
Mrs D'Ath	Ms Jackson	Ms Rea	
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* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

3 HORSE DISEASE RESPONSE LEVY BILL 2008

Mr A. S. Burke (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a levy on the registration of horses, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr A. S. Burke presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr A. S. Burke moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

4 HORSE DISEASE RESPONSE LEVY COLLECTION BILL 2008

Mr A. S. Burke (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the collection of horse disease response levy, and for related purposes. *Document*

Mr A. S. Burke presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr A. S. Burke moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

5 HORSE DISEASE RESPONSE LEVY (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2008

Mr A. S. Burke (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to deal with consequential matters relating to the enactment of the *Horse Disease Response Levy Act 2008*, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr A. S. Burke presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Mr A. S. Burke moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

6 FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (EMERGENCY RESPONSE CONSOLIDATION) BILL 2008

Ms Plibersek (Minister for Housing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend laws in order to respond to the Northern Territory's national emergency, and for other purposes.

Document

Ms Plibersek presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

Ms Plibersek moved—That the bill be now read a second time.

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

7 INFRASTRUCTURE AUSTRALIA BILL 2008

Mr Albanese (Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to establish Infrastructure Australia and the Infrastructure Coordinator, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Albanese presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

8 TRADEX SCHEME AMENDMENT BILL 2008

Dr Emerson (Minister for Small Business, Independent Contractors and the Service Economy), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Tradex Scheme Act 1999*, and for related purposes. *Document*

Dr Emerson presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

9 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 following Address in Reply to the speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to:

May it please Your Excellency:

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

Debate resumed.

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

10 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2008 MEASURES NO. 1) BILL 2008

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 Keenan moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "the House is of the opinion that the provisions of Schedule 1 of this bill should be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters for consideration and report".

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Sidebottom, in the Chair)-

Mr Adams	Mrs Elliot	Dr Kelly	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Ms A. L. Ellis	Mr Kerr	Ms Rishworth
Mr Bevis	Ms K. M. Ellis	Ms King	Ms Roxon
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Ms Livermore	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Mr Shorten
Mr Bowen	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Bradbury	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Macklin	Mr Snowdon
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr Garrett	Mr McMullan	Mr Sullivan
Mr Butler	Mr Georganas	Mr Marles	Mr Swan
Mr Byrne	Ms George	Mr Melham	Mr Symon
Ms Campbell	Mr Gibbons	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Mr Champion	Ms Gillard	Ms Neal	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gray	Mr Neumann	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Clare	Ms Grierson	Mr B. P. O'Connor	Mr Trevor
Ms Collins	Mr Griffin	Ms Owens	Mr Turnour
Mr Combet	Mr Hale	Ms Parke	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr Perrett	Mr Windsor
Mr Danby	Mr Hayes*	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zappia
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Mr Price	
Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Mr Raguse	
Mr Dreyfus	Mr Katter	Ms Rea	

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Mr Abbott	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs Markus	Mr Simpkins
Mr Andrews	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs May	Mr Slipper
Fran Bailey	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs Mirabella	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mr Baldwin	Mr Hockey	Mr Morrison	Mr Somlyay
Mr Billson	Mrs Hull*	Mrs Moylan	Dr Southcott
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hunt	Dr Nelson	Dr Stone
Ms J. Bishop	Mr Irons	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Broadbent	Dr Jensen	Mr Pearce	Mr Tuckey
Mr Ciobo	Mr Johnson*	Mr Pyne	Mr Turnbull
Mr Cobb	Mr Keenan	Mr Ramsey	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Downer	Mr Laming	Mr Randall	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Dutton	Ms Ley	Mr Robb	Dr Washer
Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Robert	Mr Wood
Mr Forrest	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Georgiou	Mr McGauran	Mr Scott	
Mr Haase	Ms Marino	Mr Secker	

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* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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. 8, 14 February 2008, 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 Mr Bowen (Assistant Treasurer), the bill was read a third time.

11 INDIGENOUS EDUCATION (TARGETED ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT (2008 MEASURES NO. 1) BILL 2008

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 97, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

12 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked-

Member directed to leave

At 2.12 p.m. the Member for Flinders (Mr Hunt) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for raising a frivolous point of order, and he accordingly left the Chamber. Questions without notice continued.

13 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT

The Speaker presented the following document:

Auditor-General—Audit report No. 23 of 2007–2008—Performance audit—The management of cost recovery by selected regulators.

Ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

14 DOCUMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENTS

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) presented the following documents:

Airservices Australia-Report for 2006-07.

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission—Report for 2006-07, incorporating report of the Australian Energy Regulator.

Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation—Report for 2006-07.

Australian Securities and Investments Commission-Report for 2006-07.

Companies Auditors and Liquidators Disciplinary Board-Report for 2006-07.

Corporations and Markets Advisory Committee-Report for 2006-07.

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet—Expenditure on travel by former Governors-General paid by the department for the period 1 January to 30 June 2007.

Financial Reporting Council-Report on auditor independence for 2006-07.

Financial Reporting Council, Australian Accounting Standards Board and Auditing and Assurance Standards Board—Reports for 2006-07.

Financial Reporting Panel—Report for 2006-07.

Medical Training Review Panel—Report for 2006-07.

National Competition Council—Report for 2006-07.

National Crime Authority Legislation Amendment Act 2001—Review of the provisions of the *Australian Crime Commission Act 2002*—Report by Mark Trowell QC, March 2007.

National Environment Protection Council-Report for 2006-07.

Productivity Commission—Report for 2006-07.

Takeovers Panel—Report for 2006-07.

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

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

15 REVIEW OF EXPORT POLICIES AND PROGRAM-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Mr Crean (Minister for Trade), by leave, made a ministerial statement on the review of export policies and program.

Suspension of standing orders—Time for speech

Mr Crean, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Macfarlane speaking for a period not exceeding 19 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Macfarlane addressed the House.

16 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE-GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY

The House was informed that Mrs B. K. Bishop had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's failure to meet their election commitment to provide more Government accountability".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support-

Mrs B. K. Bishop addressing the House-

17 ADJOURNMENT

It being 4.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Suspension of standing orders moved

Mr Tuckey moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent:

- (1) the putting immediately and negativing of the question—That the House do now adjourn;
- (2) the continuation of consideration of Government business until 8.30 p.m. today;
- (3) the question for the automatic adjournment of the House being proposed at this sitting at 8.30 p.m.; and
- (4) if the question—That the House do now adjourn—is before the House at 9 p.m. today, for the Speaker to interrupt debate and adjourn the House until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

Closure of Member

Mr Gray (Parliamentary Secretary for Regional Development and Northern Australia) moved—That the Member be no longer heard.

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Question-put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Jenkins, in the Chair)-

Mr Adams Mr Drevfus Mr Kerr Mr Ripoll Mr Albanese Ms A. L. Ellis Ms Rishworth Ms King Mr Bevis Dr Emerson Ms Livermore Ms Roxon Mr M. J. Ferguson Mr McClelland Ms Saffin Mr Bidgood Ms Bird Mr Fitzgibbon Ms McKew Mr Shorten Ms Macklin Mr Sidebottom Mr Bowen Mr Garrett Mr Bradbury Mr Georganas Mr McMullan Mr S. F. Smith Ms A. E. Burke Ms George Mr Marles Mr Snowdon Mr A. S. Burke Mr Sullivan Mr Gibbons Mr Melham Mr Butler Ms Gillard Mr Murphy Mr Swan Mr Champion Mr Grav Ms Neal Mr Symon Mr Cheeseman Ms Grierson Mr Neumann Mr C. R. Thomson Ms Owens Mr Clare Mr Griffin Mr K. J. Thomson Ms Collins Mr Hale Ms Parke Mr Trevor Mr Combet Ms Hall* Mr Perrett Mr Turnour Mr Hayes* Ms Plibersek Mr Zappia Mr Crean Mr Danby Mrs Irwin Mr Price Mrs D'Ath Ms Jackson Mr Raguse Mr Debus Dr Kelly Ms Rea NOES, 58 Mr Abbott Mr Georgiou Mr Macfarlane Mr Scott Mr Andrews Mr Haase Mr McGauran Mr Secker Fran Bailey Mr Hartsuyker Ms Marino Mr Simpkins Mr Baldwin Mr A. G. Hawke Mrs Markus Mr Slipper Mr Billson Mr D. P. M. Hawker Mrs May Mr A. D. H. Smith Mrs B. K. Bishop Mr Hockey Mrs Mirabella Mr Somlyay* Ms J. Bishop Mrs Hull* Mr Morrison Dr Stone Mr Hunt Mr Broadbent Mrs Moylan Mr Truss Mr Ciobo Mr Irons Dr Nelson Mr Tuckey Mr Turnbull Mr Cobb Dr Jensen Mr Neville Mr Costello Mr Johnson Mrs D. S. Vale Mr Ramsey Mr Dutton Mr Keenan Mr Randall Dr Washer Mr Farmer Mr Laming Mr Robb Mr Wood Mr Forrest Ms Ley Mr Robert Mrs Gash Mr Lindsay Mr Schultz

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Johnson (seconder) addressing the House— *Closure of Member* Mr Albanese moved—That the Member be no longer heard. Question—put. The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Jenkins, in the Chair)—

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Mr Adams	Mr Dreyfus	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Ms A. L. Ellis	Ms King	Ms Rishworth
Mr Bevis	Dr Emerson	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Bidgood	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Mr Bowen	Mr Garrett	Ms Macklin	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Bradbury	Mr Georganas	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Ms A. E. Burke	Ms George	Mr Marles	Mr Snowdon
Mr A. S. Burke	Mr Gibbons	Mr Melham	Mr Sullivan
Mr Butler	Ms Gillard	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Mr Champion	Mr Gray	Ms Neal	Mr Symon
Mr Cheeseman	Ms Grierson	Mr Neumann	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Clare	Mr Griffin	Ms Owens	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Collins	Mr Hale	Ms Parke	Mr Trevor
Mr Combet	Ms Hall*	Mr Perrett	Mr Turnour
Mr Crean	Mr Hayes*	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zappia
Mr Danby	Mrs Irwin	Mr Price	
Mrs D'Ath	Ms Jackson	Mr Raguse	
Mr Debus	Dr Kelly	Ms Rea	
		NOES, 59	
Mr Abbott	Mr Georgiou	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Schultz
Mr Andrews	Mr Haase	Mr McGauran	Mr Scott
Fran Bailey	Mr Hartsuyker	Ms Marino	Mr Secker
Mr Baldwin	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Markus	Mr Simpkins
Mr Billson	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs May	Mr Slipper
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hockey	Mrs Mirabella	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Ms J. Bishop	Mrs Hull*	Mr Morrison	Mr Somlyay*
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hunt	Mrs Moylan	Dr Stone
Mr Ciobo	Mr Irons	Dr Nelson	Mr Truss
Mr Cobb	Dr Jensen	Mr Neville	Mr Tuckey
Mr Costello	Mr Johnson	Mr Pearce	Mr Turnbull
Mr Dutton	Mr Keenan	Mr Ramsey	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Farmer	Mr Laming	Mr Randall	Dr Washer
Mr Forrest	Ms Ley	Mr Robb	Mr Wood
Mrs Gash	Mr Lindsay	Mr Robert	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion for the suspension of standing orders be agreed to—put. The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Jenkins, in the Chair)—

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Mr Abbott	Mr Haase	Mr McGauran	Mr Scott
Mr Andrews	Mr Hartsuyker	Ms Marino	Mr Secker
Fran Bailey	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Markus	Mr Simpkins
Mr Baldwin	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mrs May	Mr Slipper
Mr Billson	Mr Hockey	Mrs Mirabella	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mrs Hull*	Mr Morrison	Mr Somlyay*
Ms J. Bishop	Mr Hunt	Mrs Moylan	Dr Stone
Mr Broadbent	Mr Irons	Dr Nelson	Mr Truss
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Neville	Mr Tuckey
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson	Mr Pearce	Mr Turnbull
Mr Dutton	Mr Keenan	Mr Ramsey	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Farmer	Mr Laming	Mr Randall	Dr Washer
Mr Forrest	Ms Ley	Mr Robb	Mr Wood
Mrs Gash	Mr Lindsay	Mr Robert	
Mr Georgiou	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Schultz	
		NOES, 74	
Mr Adams	Mr Dreyfus	Dr Kelly	Ms Rea
Mr Albanese	Mrs Elliot	Mr Kerr	Mr Ripoll
Mr Bevis	Ms A. L. Ellis	Ms King	Ms Rishworth
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Ms Bird	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Mr Bowen	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Mr Bradbury	Mr Garrett	Ms Macklin	Mr Sidebottom
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr Georganas	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr A. S. Burke	Ms George	Mr Marles	Mr Snowdon
Mr Butler	Mr Gibbons	Mr Melham	Mr Sullivan
Mr Champion	Ms Gillard	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Mr Cheeseman	Mr Gray	Ms Neal	Mr Symon
Mr Clare	Ms Grierson	Mr Neumann	Mr C. R. Thomson
Ms Collins	Mr Griffin	Ms Owens	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Combet	Mr Hale	Ms Parke	Mr Trevor
Mr Crean	Ms Hall*	Mr Perrett	Mr Turnour
Mr Danby	Mr Hayes*	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zappia
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Mr Price	
Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Mr Raguse	
		* Tellers	

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until 5 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

DOCUMENT

The following document was deemed to have been presented on 21 February 2008: Sydney Airport Curfew Act—Dispensations—2008 No. 2.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Coulton and Mr Schultz.

B. C. WRIGHT Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives 2008

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 7

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2008

1 Due to a division having been called in the House, the Main Committee met at 9.43 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

3 THERAPEUTIC GOODS AMENDMENT (POISONS STANDARD) BILL 2008

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.

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Document

Ms Roxon (Minister for Health and Ageing) presented a supplementary explanatory memorandum to the bill.

On the motion of Ms Roxon, by leave, Government amendments (1) and (2) were made together.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

Ordered—That the bill be reported to the House with amendments.

4 TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (ACCESS DECLARATIONS) BILL 2008

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.

Leave granted for the question on the report to be put immediately.

Question-That the bill be reported to the House without amendment-put and passed.

5 DEATH OF MR PETER JAMES ANDREN—CONDOLENCE MOTION MOVED BY THE PRIME MINISTER

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Rudd (Prime Minister)—That the House record its deep regret at the death on 3 November 2007, of Mr Peter James Andren, former Independent Member for Calare, and place on record its appreciation of his long and meritorious service, and tender its profound sympathy to his family in their bereavement—

Debate resumed.

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, all Members present stood, in silence.

Ms Owens moved that further proceedings be conducted in the House.

Question—put and passed.

6 DEATHS OF SPECIAL FORCES SERGEANT MATTHEW LOCKE, TROOPER DAVID PEARCE AND SPECIAL FORCES COMMANDO LUKE WORSLEY—CONDOLENCE MOTION MOVED BY THE PRIME MINISTER

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Rudd (Prime Minister)—That the House record its deep regret at the deaths in late 2007 of Sergeant Matthew Locke, Trooper David Pearce and Private Luke Worsley while on combat operations in Afghanistan and place on record its appreciation of their service to their country and tender its profound sympathy to their families in their bereavement—

Debate resumed.

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, all Members present stood, in silence.

Ms Owens moved that further proceedings be conducted in the House.

Question—put and passed.

7 DEATHS OF FORMER MEMBERS (MR L. J. KEOGH, DR K. L. FRY AND MS H. MAYER), FORMER SENATOR AND MINISTER (THE HONOURABLE R. L. COLLINS), MR M. PRICE, MR B. D. BANTON, THE HONOURABLE SIR CHARLES WALTER MICHAEL COURT AND SIR EDMUND PERCIVAL HILLARY—SPEAKER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the Speaker's announcement informing the House of the deaths of—

Mr Leonard Joseph Keogh, on 10 October 2007, a Member of this House for the Division of Bowman from 1969 to 1975 and 1983 to 1987;

Dr Kenneth Lionel Fry, on 10 October 2007, a Member of this House for the Division of Fraser from 1974 to 1984;

Ms Helen Mayer, on 7 February 2008, a Member of this House for the Division of Chisholm from 1983 to 1987;

The Honourable Robert Lindsay Collins AO, on 21 September 2007, a former Senator for the Northern Territory from 1987 to 1998 and Minister;

Mr Matt Price, journalist, on 25 November 2007;

Mr Bernard Douglas (Bernie) Banton AM, victim of asbestosis, mesothelioma and asbestos-related pleural disease, on 27 November 2007;

The Honourable Sir Charles Walter Michael Court AK KCMG OBE, a former Premier of Western Australia, on 22 December 2007, and

Sir Edmund Percival Hillary KG ONZ KBE, on 11 January 2008, New Zealand mountaineer and first known climber to reach the summit of Mount Everest—

Debate resumed.

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

8 ADJOURNMENT

Ms Grierson moved-That the Main Committee do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

At 1 p.m., the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee until 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 12 March 2008.

B. C. WRIGHT Clerk of the Main Committee