

2008

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 22

THURSDAY, 29 MAY 2008

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

2 **PRIME MINISTER AND GOVERNMENT—MOTION OF CENSURE**

Dr Nelson (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, moved—That this House censures the Prime Minister and his Government for deceiving Australians and letting them down over record high petrol prices by:

- (1) describing petrol prices at over \$1.60 a litre as “a little problem” for Australian consumers and giving up on them with his own damning admission that he had “done as much as we physically can to provide additional help to the family budget”;
- (2) grossly misleading Parliament and the Australian people on the contents of an ACCC report that the Government has used to defend its flawed Fuelwatch scheme;
- (3) ignoring the Prime Minister’s own commitment to evidence-based policy making when he ignored the expert advice of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, the Department of Resources and Energy, the Department of Finance and Deregulation and the Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research;
- (4) ignoring the advice of the Minister for Resources and Energy that Fuelwatch is anti-competitive and would hurt small business;
- (5) refusing to immediately lower petrol prices by cutting the 38 per cent fuel excise on petrol;
- (6) going to absurd lengths to put spin ahead of substance—risking higher prices, just to “appear” to be doing “something”;
- (7) pathetically claiming high petrol prices are a result of traffic jams across cities; and
- (8) treating the Australian people and this Parliament with arrogant contempt by refusing to guarantee that his fuel policies won’t increase the cost of petrol as his own public servant experts fear.

Mr Rudd (Prime Minister) moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “the House censures the Leader of the Opposition for:

- (1) his failure to stand up for the interests of Australian motorists and consumers;
- (2) capitulating to the interests of big oil companies;
- (3) failing to put forward fully costed budget proposals; and
- (4) continuing the practice of economic irresponsibility”.

Debate continued.

Closure

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 74

Mr Adams	Mr Dreyfus	Dr Kelly	Ms Rishworth
Mr Albanese	Mrs Elliot	Mr Kerr	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Ms A. L. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Mr Bowen	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	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	Mr Gibbons	Ms Neal	Mr Swan
Mr Byrne	Ms Gillard	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Mr Champion	Mr Gray	Mr B. P. J. O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Cheeseman	Ms Grierson	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Clare	Mr Griffin	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Collins	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Trevor
Mr Combet	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Danby	Mr Hayes*	Mr Raguse	Mr Zappia
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Ms Rea	
Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Mr Ripoll	

NOES, 59

Mr Abbott	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Scott
Mr Andrews	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Secker
Fran Bailey	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Simpkins
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. I. Bishop	Mrs Hull*	Dr Nelson	Dr Stone
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Truss
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Pyne	Mr Turnbull
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson*	Mr Ramsey	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Costello	Mr Keenan	Mr Randall	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Coulton	Mr Laming	Mr Robb	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Ms Ley	Mr Robert	Mr Windsor
Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock	Mr Wood
Mrs Gash	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Schultz	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 58

Mr Abbott	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Scott
Mr Andrews	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Secker
Fran Bailey	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Simpkins
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. I. Bishop	Mrs Hull*	Dr Nelson	Dr Stone
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Truss
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Pyne	Mr Turnbull
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson*	Mr Ramsey	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Costello	Mr Keenan	Mr Randall	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Coulton	Mr Laming	Mr Robb	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Ms Ley	Mr Robert	Mr Wood
Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock	
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Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Mr Bowen	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	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	Mr Gibbons	Ms Neal	Mr Swan
Mr Byrne	Ms Gillard	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Mr Champion	Mr Gray	Mr B. P. J. O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Cheeseman	Ms Grierson	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Clare	Mr Griffin	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Collins	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Trevor
Mr Combet	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Danby	Mr Hayes*	Mr Raguse	Mr Zappia
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Ms Rea	
Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Mr Ripoll	

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted, be so inserted—put.

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

AYES, 74

Mr Adams	Mr Dreyfus	Dr Kelly	Ms Rishworth
Mr Albanese	Mrs Elliot	Mr Kerr	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Ms A. L. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Mr Bowen	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	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	Mr Gibbons	Ms Neal	Mr Swan
Mr Byrne	Ms Gillard	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Mr Champion	Mr Gray	Mr B. P. J. O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Cheeseman	Ms Grierson	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Clare	Mr Griffin	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Collins	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Trevor
Mr Combet	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Danby	Mr Hayes*	Mr Raguse	Mr Zappia
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Ms Rea	
Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Mr Ripoll	

NOES, 58

Mr Abbott	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Scott
Mr Andrews	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Secker
Fran Bailey	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Simpkins
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. I. Bishop	Mrs Hull*	Dr Nelson	Dr Stone
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Truss
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Pyne	Mr Turnbull
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson*	Mr Ramsey	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Costello	Mr Keenan	Mr Randall	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Coulton	Mr Laming	Mr Robb	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Ms Ley	Mr Robert	Mr Wood
Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock	
Mrs Gash	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Schultz	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion, as amended, be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 74

Mr Adams	Mr Dreyfus	Dr Kelly	Ms Rishworth
Mr Albanese	Mrs Elliot	Mr Kerr	Ms Roxon
Mr Bevis	Ms A. L. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Mr Rudd
Mr Bidgood	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Ms Saffin
Ms Bird	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Shorten
Mr Bowen	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	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	Mr Gibbons	Ms Neal	Mr Swan
Mr Byrne	Ms Gillard	Mr Neumann	Mr Symon
Mr Champion	Mr Gray	Mr B. P. J. O'Connor	Mr Tanner
Mr Cheeseman	Ms Grierson	Ms Owens	Mr C. R. Thomson
Mr Clare	Mr Griffin	Ms Parke	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Collins	Mr Hale	Ms Plibersek	Mr Trevor
Mr Combet	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Ms Vamvakinou
Mr Danby	Mr Hayes*	Mr Raguse	Mr Zappia
Mrs D'Ath	Mrs Irwin	Ms Rea	
Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Mr Ripoll	

NOES, 58

Mr Abbott	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Scott
Mr Andrews	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Secker
Fran Bailey	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Simpkins
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. I. Bishop	Mrs Hull*	Dr Nelson	Dr Stone
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hunt	Mr Pearce	Mr Truss
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Pyne	Mr Turnbull
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson*	Mr Ramsey	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Costello	Mr Keenan	Mr Randall	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Coulton	Mr Laming	Mr Robb	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Ms Ley	Mr Robert	Mr Wood
Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock	
Mrs Gash	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Schultz	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

3 POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS

Ordered—That business intervening before order of the day No. 1, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

4 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (MEDICARE LEVY SURCHARGE THRESHOLDS) 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.

Closure

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 71

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

NOES, 54

Mr Abbott	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Scott
Fran Bailey	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Secker
Mr Baldwin	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Simpkins
Mr Billson	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Mirabella	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mr Morrison	Mr Somlyay
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hockey	Mrs Moylan	Dr Southcott
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Hull*	Mr Pearce	Dr Stone
Mr Ciobo	Dr Jensen	Mr Pyne	Mr Truss
Mr Cobb	Mr Johnson*	Mr Ramsey	Mr Turnbull
Mr Costello	Mr Keenan	Mr Randall	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Coulton	Mr Laming	Mr Robb	Dr Washer
Mr Dutton	Ms Ley	Mr Robert	Mr Wood
Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock	
Mrs Gash	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Schultz	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the bill be now read a second time—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 73

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

NOES, 55

Mr Abbott	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Scott
Fran Bailey	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Secker
Mr Baldwin	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Simpkins
Mr Billson	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Mirabella	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mr Morrison	Mr Somlyay
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hockey	Mrs Moylan	Dr Southcott
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Hull*	Mr Pearce	Dr Stone
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Mr Dutton	Ms Ley	Mr Robert	Dr Washer
Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock	Mr Wood
Mrs Gash	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Schultz	

* Tellers

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved immediately.

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

Question—put.

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

AYES, 73

Mr Adams	Mrs Elliot	Mr Kerr	Ms Roxon
Mr Albanese	Ms A. L. Ellis	Ms Livermore	Ms Saffin
Mr Bevis	Dr Emerson	Mr McClelland	Mr Shorten
Mr Bidgood	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Ms McKew	Mr Sidebottom
Ms Bird	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Macklin	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Bradbury	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McMullan	Mr Snowdon
Ms A. E. Burke	Mr Garrett	Mr Marles	Mr Sullivan
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Mr Combet	Ms Hall*	Mr Price	Mr Windsor
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Mr Debus	Ms Jackson	Mr Ripoll	
Mr Dreyfus	Dr Kelly	Ms Rishworth	

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Mr Abbott	Mr Georgiou	Ms Marino	Mr Scott
Fran Bailey	Mr Haase	Mrs Markus	Mr Secker
Mr Baldwin	Mr Hartsuyker	Mrs May	Mr Simpkins
Mr Billson	Mr A. G. Hawke	Mrs Mirabella	Mr A. D. H. Smith
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr D. P. M. Hawker	Mr Morrison	Mr Somlyay
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hockey	Mrs Moylan	Dr Southcott
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Mr Dutton	Ms Ley	Mr Robert	Dr Washer
Mr Farmer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock	Mr Wood
Mrs Gash	Mr Macfarlane	Mr Schultz	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—bill read a third time.

5 FIRST HOME SAVER ACCOUNTS 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.

Ms Ley addressing the House—

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.

6 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Document

Ms J. Bishop (Deputy Leader of the Opposition), in accordance with standing order 201, having called for a document quoted from by Dr Emerson (Minister for Small Business, Independent Contractors and the Service Economy)—

Dr Emerson presented the following document:

Fuelwatch—ABC Radio Today.

Questions without notice continued.

Document

Mr Randall, in accordance with standing order 201, having earlier called for a document quoted from by Mr Bowen (Minister for Competition Policy and Consumer Affairs)—

Mr Bowen presented the following document:

Fuelwatch—Copy of e-mail, with personal details removed, from Brian, Canning Vale East, WA, to Mr Bowen, 29 May 2008.

7 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT

The Speaker presented the following document:

Auditor-General—Audit report No. 36 of 2007–2008—Performance audit—The Australian Taxation Office's strategies to address tax haven compliance risks: Australian Taxation Office.

Ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

8 DOCUMENT

The following document was presented:

NetAlert Limited—Report for 2006-07—Statement relating to exemption from reporting requirements.

9 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—FUELWATCH

The House was informed that Mr Keenan had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The failure of the Government to heed departmental advice with regard to Fuelwatch".

The proposed discussion not having received the necessary support (the proposer not being present) the matter was not proceeded with.

10 QUARANTINE AMENDMENT (NATIONAL HEALTH SECURITY) BILL 2008—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Speaker reported that the bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee, a Governor-General's message recommending an appropriation had been reported, and the bill had been agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mr Albanese (Leader of the House), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

11 FAMILY ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (CHILD CARE BUDGET AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2008

Ms Gillard (Minister for Education), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law in relation to family assistance, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Gillard presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

12 HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT AMENDMENT (2008 BUDGET MEASURES) BILL 2008

Ms Gillard (Minister for Education), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend legislation relating to higher education, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Gillard presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

13 INDIGENOUS EDUCATION (TARGETED ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT (2008 BUDGET MEASURES) BILL 2008

Ms Gillard (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Act 2000*, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Gillard presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

14 SOCIAL SECURITY AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (EMPLOYMENT ENTRY PAYMENT) BILL 2008

Ms Gillard (Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Social Security Act 1991* and other legislation, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Gillard presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

15 DENTAL BENEFITS BILL 2008

Ms Roxon (Minister for Health and Ageing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide a framework for the provision of dental benefits, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Roxon presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill and to the Dental Benefits (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

16 DENTAL BENEFITS (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2008

Ms Roxon (Minister for Health and Ageing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to deal with consequential matters in connection with the *Dental Benefits Act 2008*, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

17 NATIONAL HEALTH AMENDMENT (PHARMACEUTICAL AND OTHER BENEFITS—COST RECOVERY) BILL 2008

Ms Roxon (Minister for Health and Ageing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *National Health Act 1953*, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Roxon presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

18 NATIONAL HEALTH AMENDMENT (PHARMACEUTICAL BENEFITS SCHEME) BILL 2008

Ms Roxon (Minister for Health and Ageing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law in relation to pharmaceutical benefits, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Roxon presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

Ms Roxon addressing the House—

Adjournment negatived

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

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) requiring the question to be put immediately without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

Ms Roxon continued her speech.

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

19 FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (2008 BUDGET AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2008

Ms Macklin (Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to social security, veterans' affairs, family assistance, child support and taxation, and for related purposes.

Document

Ms Macklin presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

20 INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2008

Ms Macklin (Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend laws in relation to Aboriginal land in the Northern Territory, and for other purposes.

Document

Ms Macklin presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

21 WHEAT EXPORT MARKETING BILL 2008

Mr A. S. Burke (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the export of wheat, and for other 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 (Mr Haase), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

22 WHEAT EXPORT MARKETING (REPEAL AND 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 arising from the repeal of the *Wheat Marketing Act 1989* and the enactment of the *Wheat Export Marketing Act 2008*, and for other 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 (Mr Haase), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

23 FARM HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT AMENDMENT (ADDITIONAL DROUGHT ASSISTANCE MEASURES) BILL 2008

Mr A. S. Burke (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Farm Household Support Act 1992*, and for other 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 (Mr Haase), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

24 TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2008 MEASURES NO. 3) BILL 2008

Mr Bowen (Assistant Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to taxation, and for related purposes.

Document

Mr Bowen presented an explanatory memorandum to the bill.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

25 NATIONAL FUELWATCH (EMPOWERING CONSUMERS) BILL 2008

Mr Bowen (Assistant Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to empower consumers and encourage transparency in the fuel market, and for other purposes.

Documents

Mr Bowen presented a regulation impact statement and an explanatory memorandum to the bill and to the National Fuelwatch (Empowering Consumers) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008.

Bill read a first time.

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

Document

Mr Bowen presented the following document:

Petrol—Further econometric analysis undertaken by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, 29 May 2008.

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

26 NATIONAL FUELWATCH (EMPOWERING CONSUMERS) (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2008

Mr Bowen (Assistant Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to deal with consequential matters in connection with the *National Fuelwatch (Empowering Consumers) Act 2008*, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

27 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Bowen (Assistant Treasurer) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 5.55 p.m., adjourned until 12 noon on Monday, 2 June 2008.

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 29 May 2008:

Appropriation Act (No. 3) 2007-2008—Determination under section 12—2008 Flexible funding pool receipts [F2008L01658].

Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act—Determination under section 57—2008 Confidentiality No. 6 [F2008L01675].

Civil Aviation Act—

Civil Aviation Regulations—Instruments—2008 Nos CASA 190, CASA 251 [F2008L01016], [F2008L01327].

Civil Aviation Safety Regulations—

Airworthiness Directives under—

Part 39-105—

AD/BEECH 35—No. 19—Cancellation [F2008L01533].

AD/BEECH 36—No. 28—Cancellation [F2008L01559].

AD/BEECH 55—

No. 44—Cancellation [F2008L01581].

No. 47—Cancellation [F2008L01583].

AD/BEECH 56—

No. 3—Cancellation [F2008L01591].

No. 6—Cancellation [F2008L01592].

No. 20—Cancellation [F2008L01594].

No. 21—Cancellation [F2008L01595].

No. 23—Amendment (No. 1)—Cancellation [F2008L01596].

No. 28—Cancellation [F2008L01598].

AD/BEECH 60—

No. 2—Cancellation [F2008L01599].

No. 4—Cancellation [F2008L01600].

AD/BEECH 65—

No. 10—Amendment (No. 1)—Cancellation [F2008L01611].

No. 11—Cancellation [F2008L01612].

No. 16—Amendment (No. 1)—Cancellation [F2008L01613].

AD/BELL 222—No. 31—Amendment (No. 2)—[F2008L01656].

AD/BELL 430—No. 1—Amendment (No. 4)—[F2008L01655].

AD/BO 105—No. 16—Amendment (No. 1)—[F2008L01673].

AD/CESSNA 310—

No. 1—Cancellation [F2008L01615].

No. 8—Cancellation [F2008L01616].

No. 16—Cancellation [F2008L01617].

- No. 46—Cancellation [F2008L01618].
 No. 47—Cancellation [F2008L01619].
 AD/CESSNA 320—No. 2—Cancellation [F2008L01620].
 AD/ERJ-190—Nos 8, 9 [F2008L01633], [F2008L01634].
 AD/HU 369—No. 108—Amendment (No. 2)—[F2008L01635].
 AD/PA-22—No. 28—Cancellation [F2008L01472].
 AD/ROBIN—
 No. 8—Amendment (No. 3) [F2008L01637].
 No. 32—Amendment (No. 2) [F2008L01639].
 AD/S-PUMA—No. 76 [F2008L01640].
 AD/SF340—No. 106 [F2008L01642].
 Part 39-106—AD/THIELERT—No. 9 [F2008L01702].
 Part 39-107—AD/EMY—No. 36 [F2008L01632].
 Exemptions—2008 Nos CASA EX27, CASA EX29 [F2008L01677], [F2008L01441].
 Customs Act—Orders—
 Tariff Concession—2008 Nos 0800658, 0801436, 0801636, 0801685, 0801730, 0801914, 0802330, 0802362, 0802703 [F2008L01440], [F2008L01536], [F2008L01531], [F2008L01538], [F2008L01530], [F2008L01541], [F2008L01526], [F2008L01529], [F2008L01527].
 Tariff Concession Revocation—2008 Nos 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 [F2008L01427], [F2008L01428], [F2008L01431], [F2008L01433], [F2008L01435], [F2008L01436], [F2008L01437].
 Defence Act—Determination under section 58B—2008 No. 21.
 Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act—Instrument under section 303DC—16 May 2008 [F2008L01685].
 Farm Household Support Act—Schemes—2008—
 Farm help advice and training—Amendment (No. 1) [F2008L01672].
 Farm help re-establishment grant—Amendment (No. 1) [F2008L01674].
 Financial Management and Accountability Act—Determination transferring appropriations—2008 Nos 21, 22, 23, 24 [F2008L01669], [F2008L01670], [F2008L01787], [F2008L01788].
 Fisheries Management Act—Northern Prawn Fishery Management Plan 1995—Directions—2008 Nos NPF 113, NPF 114, NPF 115, NPF 116 [F2008L01690], [F2008L01692], [F2008L01693], [F2008L01694].
 Migration Act—
 Migration Agents Regulations—Migration Agents (Continuing Professional Development) Notices—2008—
 Attendance at a seminar, workshop, conference or lecture, No. MN21-08c [F2008L01681].
 Miscellaneous activities, No. MN21-08f [F2008L01680].
 Private study of audio, video or written material, No. MN21-08b [F2008L01679].
 Migration Regulations—Instrument—2008 Working holiday visa—Definitions of ‘seasonal work’ and ‘regional Australia’, No. IMMI 08/046 [F2008L01738].
 Radiocommunications Act—
 Determination—2008 Digital radio multiplex transmitter licences (Decision-making criteria) [F2008L01686].
 Procedural Rules—2008 Digital radio multiplex transmitter licences [F2008L01687].
 Social Security (Administration) Act—Determinations—2008 Declared relevant Northern Territory areas—Various (Nos 17, 18) [F2008L01688], [F2008L01689].
 Taxation Administration Act—Instrument under section 16-180 of schedule 1—16 May 2008 [F2008L01659].
 Therapeutic Goods Act—Medical Device Standards Orders—2008—
 Standards for clinical evidence, 19 May [F2008L01700].
 Standards for risk management, 19 May [F2008L01699].
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ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Ms Campbell, Mr Crean, Mr Downer, Ms K. M. Ellis, Mr Forrest, Ms George, Mr Irons, Ms King*, Mr Murphy, Mr Neville, Mr Tuckey and Mr Turnour.

* On leave

I. C. HARRIS
Clerk of the House of Representatives

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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No. 22

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, 29 MAY 2008

1 The Main Committee met at 9.30 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements being made—

Document

Mr Pyne, by leave, presented the following document:

Fairtrade good chocolate guide to Australia—List of stockists, World Vision Australia.

Members' statements continued.

3 QUARANTINE AMENDMENT (NATIONAL HEALTH SECURITY) 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.

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 31, 20 March 2008, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the bill.

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.

4 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 2008-2009—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.

Suspension of meeting

At 12.25 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

Resumption of meeting

At 12.51 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

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

5 **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr Melham moved—That the Main Committee do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

At 1.01 p.m., the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee until 4 p.m. on Monday, 2 June 2008.



B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the Main Committee