

2008

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 30

THURSDAY, 19 JUNE 2008



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

2 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 2008-2009—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Speaker reported that the bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the bill.

Bill agreed to.

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

3 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 2) 2008-2009—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Speaker reported that the bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the bill.

Bill agreed to.

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

4 APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENTARY DEPARTMENTS) BILL (NO. 1) 2008-2009—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Speaker reported that the bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the bill.

Bill agreed to.

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

5 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 5) 2007-2008—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Speaker reported that the bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the bill.

Bill agreed to.

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

6 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 6) 2007-2008—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Speaker reported that the bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the bill.

Bill agreed to.

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

7 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENT BY MEMBER

Mr K. J. Thomson (Chair) presented the following document:

Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—Report 92—Treaty tabled on 4 June 2008—Report, June 2008.

Ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

Mr K. J. Thomson, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.

8 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Messages from the Senate, 18 June 2008, were reported returning the following bills without amendment:

No. 41—Dental Benefits (Consequential Amendments) 2008.

No. 42—First Home Saver Accounts 2008.

No. 43—Income Tax (First Home Saver Accounts Misuse Tax) 2008 (*without requests*).

No. 44—First Home Saver Accounts (Consequential Amendments) 2008.

No. 45—Tax Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy and Medicare Levy Surcharge) 2008.

9 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—DENTAL BENEFITS BILL 2008

A message from the Senate was reported returning the following bill with an amendment:

18 June 2008—Message No. 40—Dental Benefits 2008.

Ordered—That the amendment be considered at the next sitting.

10 MILITARY MEMORIALS OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE 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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mrs B. K. Bishop, viz.*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not declining to give the bill a second reading, the House:

- (1) notes that the bill creates a new category of memorial—namely a Military Memorial of National Significance;
- (2) notes that this new category of memorial, unlike ‘National Memorials’ under the National Memorials Ordinance 1928:
 - (a) does not attract ongoing maintenance funding;
 - (b) must not be located in the national capital; and
 - (c) involves a decision of the Minister and the Prime Minister rather than the bi-partisan Canberra National Memorials Committee;
- (3) acknowledges as correct the stance of the previous Government that National Memorials, pursuant to the 1928 Ordinance, can only be located in the national capital; and
- (4) condemns the Government for:
 - (a) playing politics with the veteran community;
 - (b) claiming in the Budget Papers that it will declare the Australian Ex-Prisoners of War Memorial in Ballarat a national memorial when it has not done so; and
 - (c) misleading the veteran community by claiming to have met an election commitment to declare the Ballarat Memorial a national memorial, when the Government has failed to do so”—

Debate resumed.

Mr Griffin (Minister for Veterans’ Affairs) 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.

11 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Member directed to leave

At 3.22 p.m. the Member for Sturt (Mr Pyne) 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 continued.

12 DOCUMENT

Mr Swan (Treasurer) presented the following document:

Malcolm Turnbull, Member for Wentworth—Copy of website, <http://www.malcolmturnbull.com.au>, accessed 19 June 2008.

13 DOCUMENT

The following document was presented:

Superannuation (Government Co-contribution for Low Income Earners) Act 2003—Quarterly report on the operation of the Act for the period 1 January to 31 March 2008.

14 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT

The Speaker presented the following document:

Auditor-General—Audit report No. 42 of 2007–2008—Management of customer debt—Follow-up audit: Centrelink; Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations; Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

Ordered to be made a Parliamentary Paper.

15 NORTHERN TERRITORY EMERGENCY RESPONSE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Ms Macklin (Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs), by leave, made a ministerial statement on the Northern Territory Emergency Response—One year on.

Suspension of standing orders—Time for speech

Ms Macklin, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Abbott speaking for a period not exceeding 17 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Abbott addressed the House.

16 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Messages from the Senate, 19 June 2008, were reported returning the following bills without amendment:

No. 46—Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Child Care Budget and Other Measures) 2008.

No. 47—Export Market Development Grants Amendment 2008.

No. 48—Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (2007 Election Commitments) 2008.

No. 49—Health Care (Appropriation) Amendment 2008.

No. 50—Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment 2008.

No. 51—Health Insurance Amendment (90 Day Pay Doctor Cheque Scheme) 2008.

No. 52—Defence Home Ownership Assistance Scheme 2008.

No. 53—Defence Home Ownership Assistance Scheme (Consequential Amendments) 2008.

No. 54—Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Amendment (2008 Budget Measures) 2008.

No. 55—Law Officers Legislation Amendment 2008.

No. 56—Customs Tariff Amendment (Tobacco Content) 2008.

No. 57—Farm Household Support Amendment (Additional Drought Assistance Measures) 2008.

17 AUSTRALIAN ENERGY MARKET AMENDMENT (MINOR AMENDMENTS) BILL 2008—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mr Gray (Parliamentary Secretary for Regional Development and Northern Australia), by leave, the bill was read a third time.

18 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—JOB SECURITY

The House was informed that Mr Ciobo had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The Government’s failure to provide job security for working Australians”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Ciobo addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Fran Bailey addressing the House—

19 ADJOURNMENT

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

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 5 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until 12 noon on Monday, 23 June 2008.

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 19 June 2008:

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Safety Regulations—Airworthiness Directives under—
Part 39-105—

AD/B767—No. 243 [F2008L02099].

AD/CESSNA 180—No. 64—Cancellation [F2008L01805].

AD/CL-600—No. 100 [F2008L01927].

AD/DA42—No. 5 [F2008L01928].

AD/EMB-120—No. 47 [F2008L02116].

AD/EMB-145—Nos 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 [F2008L02101], [F2008L02129], [F2008L02130], [F2008L02131], [F2008L02132].

AD/ERJ-170—No. 4—Amendment (No. 4) [F2008L02103].

AD/ERJ-190—No. 3—Amendment (No. 1) [F2008L02102].

AD/F100—No. 73—Amendment (No. 1) [F2008L01936].

Part 39-106—

AD/BR700—No. 12 [F2008L02127].

AD/MAKILA—No. 9—Amendment (No. 1) [F2008L02100].

AD/TPE 331—No. 63—Amendment (No. 1) [F2008L02128].

Part 39-107—AD/PARA—No. 18—Cancellation [F2008L02093].

Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act—Orders—2008 Report of operations [F2008L02092].

Corporations Act—ASIC Class Order—2008 CO 08/285 [F2008L02091].

Financial Management and Accountability Act—Determination—Transferring appropriations—2008 No. 30 [F2008L02098].

Health Insurance Act—

Determination—Positron emission tomography—13 June 2008 [F2008L02115].

Principles—2008 Accredited pathology laboratories—Approval—Amendment (No. 1) [F2008L02105].

Higher Education Support Act—Guidelines—Higher education in external territories—16 May 2008 [F2008L02047].

Housing Assistance Act—Determination—Form of Agreement—12 June 2008 [F2008L02114].

National Health Act—Amendment determination under section 98B—2008 No. 11 [F2008L02117].

Private Health Insurance Act—Rules—2008—

Accreditation—12 June [F2008L02106].

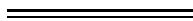
Data provision—10 June [F2008L02089].

Health insurance business—10 June [F2008L02090].

Remuneration Tribunal Act—Remuneration Tribunal Determinations—2008 Nos 9, 10 [F2008L02075], [F2008L02074].

Social Security Act—Determination—2008 Social security exempt lump sum (Climate change adjustment program re-establishment grant)—FaHCSIA [F2008L02094].

Trade Practices Act—Pricing Principles—2008 Unconditioned local loop service—Amendment (No. 1) [F2008L02120].



ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Baldwin, Mr Broadbent, Mr Danby, Mrs Hull, Ms King*, Mrs Mirabella*, Mr Randall, Mr M. A. J. Vaile and Mr Windsor.

* On leave



I. C. HARRIS
Clerk of the House of Representatives

2008

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 30

MAIN COMMITTEE**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

THURSDAY, 19 JUNE 2008

1 The Main Committee met at 9.30 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

3 AUSTRALIAN ENERGY MARKET AMENDMENT (MINOR AMENDMENTS) 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.

4 ADJOURNMENT

Mr M. J. Ferguson (Minister for Resources and Energy) moved—That the Main Committee do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

At 12.29 p.m., the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee until 6.40 p.m. on Monday, 23 June 2008.

B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the Main Committee