

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**SELECTION COMMITTEE**

**REPORT No. 15**

Committee and delegation business

and

private Members' business

**10 June 2020**

## MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

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## Report relating to the consideration of committee and delegation business and of private Members' business

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1. The committee met in private session on Tuesday, 9 June 2020.
2. The Committee deliberated on items of committee and delegation business that had been notified and private Members' business items listed on the Notice Paper, and determined the order of precedence and times on Wednesday 10 June 2020, as follows:

### Items for House of Representatives Chamber (9.30 am to 11.30 am)

#### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

##### Notices

- 1 MR PERRETT:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Family Law Act 1975*, and for related purposes. (*Family Law Amendment (A Step Towards a Safer Family Law System) Bill 2020*)

(Notice given 2 March 2020.)

*Presenter may speak to the second reading for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41. Debate must be adjourned pursuant to standing order 142.*

- 2 MR BANDT:** To present a Bill for an Act to establish Renew Australia and restrict activities in relation to thermal coal, and for related purposes. (*Green New Deal (Quit Coal and Renew Australia) Bill 2020*)

(Notice given 3 March 2020.)

*Presenter may speak to the second reading for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41. Debate must be adjourned pursuant to standing order 142.*

- 3 MR WILKIE:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Interactive Gambling Act 2001*, and for related purposes. (*Interactive Gambling Amendment (Banning Social Casinos and Other Measures) Bill 2020*)

(Notice given 12 May 2020.)

*Presenter may speak to the second reading for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41. Debate must be adjourned pursuant to standing order 142.*

**4 MS MCBRIDE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that the COVID-19 health emergency will have significant and ongoing mental health impacts for Australians;
- (2) recognises:
  - (a) that financial hardship should be no barrier to getting the health treatment people need; and
  - (b) the important role that mental health practitioners have played during this crisis and will continue to play in Australia's health system;
- (3) acknowledges that the Productivity Commission is due to hand its report on mental health to the Government in June 2020; and
- (4) calls on the Government to respond to the Productivity Commission's report into mental health as a matter of urgency, incorporating the anticipated impacts of COVID-19 in their response.

(Notice given 13 May 2020.)

*Time allotted — 50 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Ms McBride — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 10 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**5 MR RAMSEY:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises the long-term business investment General Motors has made in Australia over 72 years and the impact its decision to withdraw from the Australian market will have on more than 200 Holden dealerships across Australia;
- (2) asks that as General Motors terminates Holden sales in Australia that it demonstrates the respect the Holden brand deserves;
- (3) acknowledges General Motors has been the beneficiary of more than \$2 billion of Australian taxpayers subsidies;
- (4) recognises the potential job impact on Holden dealerships who employ around 9,000 people, including sales people, service technicians, finance and insurance professionals and back office functions and calls on General Motors to ensure that adequate compensation is offered to Holden dealers around the country who have invested significant capital in showroom facilities, service and repair equipment, stock and parts and ensure also that dealerships have assistance for redundancy payments;
- (5) notes that when General Motors ceased vehicle and engine production in Australia in 2017, the company committed to retaining 1000 direct staff plus 6000 people across the 200 strong national dealer network; and

- (6) further recognises there are 1.6 million Holdens currently on Australia's roads and customers deserve to have confidence they will have ongoing support from General Motors in servicing and spare parts for the future.

*(Notice given 2 March 2020.)*

*Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 11.30 am*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Ramsey — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.*

## **Items for Federation Chamber (10.30 am to 1 pm)**

### **PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

#### **Notices**

**1 MS PLIBERSEK:** To move—That this House acknowledges that:

- (1) during the COVID-19 crisis, Labor has been urging the Government to act to help universities and save jobs, while:
  - (a) the Prime Minister has done nothing, and now jobs are being lost; and
  - (b) it has been reported that hundreds of jobs will go at universities in Rockhampton, Geelong, and suburban Melbourne;
- (2) without serious Government help, universities have predicted 21,000 jobs will be lost in the next six months alone, meaning:
  - (a) tens of thousands of livelihoods could be destroyed, including those of academics, tutors, administrative staff, library staff, catering staff, grounds staff, cleaners, security and many others—all with families, trying to make ends meet; and
  - (b) the impact on regional communities will be devastating (universities support 14,000 jobs in country Australia);
- (3) to save university jobs, the Government must take serious action now, and that the Treasurer could have acted to solve this problem, but hasn't—instead, the Treasurer has been deliberately moving the goal posts to ensure universities are excluded from government support;
- (4) the Government cannot explain why a university student working a \$100 shift per week receives the full \$1500 JobKeeper wage subsidy, while their full-time university tutor, with three kids to support, is not eligible; and
- (5) Labor believes it is a big mistake for the Prime Minister to abandon university staff during the COVID-19 crisis.

*(Notice given 13 May 2020.)*

*Time allotted — 40 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Ms Plibersek — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 8 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**2 MRS ARCHER:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges that Headspace was established by the Howard Government in 2006;
- (2) notes that:
  - (a) there are currently 113 headspace services operating nationally, including 54 services located in rural and regional Australia; and
  - (b) in 2018-19, the Government provided \$95.7 million to commission Headspace services in rural areas;
- (3) further acknowledges that in the 2019-20 Budget, the Youth Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Plan was outlined with funding of \$509 million; and
- (4) congratulates the Government for announcing a further \$64 million to provide suicide prevention and mental health initiatives.

*(Notice given 2 March 2020.)*

*Time allotted — 40 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mrs Archer — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 8 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**3 DR LEIGH:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
  - (a) charities are the most trusted sector in Australian public life; and
  - (b) the Government's failure to act on fundraising reform is costing Australian charities over \$1 million every month;
- (2) acknowledges that:
  - (a) Australia's current framework of fundraising regulation creates unnecessary problems for charities and organisations who rely on donations from Australian supporters;
  - (b) current fundraising laws no longer meet the objectives that guided the decision to regulate donations;
  - (c) current fundraising compliance regimes do not allow charities to cultivate donor activity and make optimal use of the resources donors provide;

- (d) meeting the requirements of Australia’s seven different fundraising regimes is causing needless productivity loss for thousands of Australian charities and not-for-profits;
  - (e) Australia’s current frameworks for investigation and enforcement have failed to adapt to the contemporary fundraising environment;
  - (f) current fundraising laws do not meet the donor-focused expectations and requirements that should govern fundraising regulation in the 21st century; and
  - (g) the mechanisms that regulate third party fundraisers should ensure the culture of third party fundraisers matches community perceptions of their clients;
- (3) recognises that:
- (a) for several years, the charity and not-for-profit sector has been calling for reform of Australia’s fundraising laws;
  - (b) Treasury’s five year review of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission, delivered on 31 May 2018, identified fundraising law as the major reporting burden on charities and recommended that fundraising law be harmonised across the country;
  - (c) in February 2019, the Senate Select Committee into Charitable Fundraising in the 21st Century called on Parliament to harmonise fundraising law within two years;
  - (d) that inquiry, chaired by Labor Senator Catryna Bilyk, delivered a unanimous report, with its recommendations being supported by Greens Senator Rachel Siewert, Liberal Senators Eric Abetz and Amanda Stoker, former Labor Senator David Smith, and former United Australia Party Senator Brian Burston; and
  - (e) postponing fundraising reform has had significant costs to the charity and not-for profit sector, with the committee estimating that the annual cost to charities and their donors is around \$15 million; and
- (4) calls on the Government to:
- (a) support Australian charities by ending unnecessary waste of their precious resources;
  - (b) support the generous Australian donors who donate money to our charities, by ensuring their donations are not needlessly eroded by redundant administrative and regulatory costs;
  - (c) work with state and territory governments and the not-for-profit sector to deliver a consistent national model for regulating not-for-profit and charitable fundraising activities before February 2021; and
  - (d) immediately provide a public response to the recommendations made in the review panel’s report, *Strengthening for Purpose: Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Legislation Review*, which was provided to the Government on 31 May 2018.

(Notice given 22 October 2019.)

*Time allotted — 35 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Dr Leigh — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 7 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**4 DR WEBSTER:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises the importance of the Country Women’s Association (CWA) in the lives of rural and regional towns across Australia;
- (2) notes that the mission statement of the CWA is ‘to advance the rights and equity of women, families and communities in Australia through advocacy and empowerment, especially for those living in regional, rural and remote Australia’;
- (3) acknowledges the:
  - (a) CWA has over 44,000 members in 1855 branches across Australia; and
  - (b) vision of the founder of the CWA, Ruth Fairfax OBE; and
- (4) congratulates the CWA on almost a centenary of service to rural and regional Australia.

*(Notice given 2 March 2020.)*

*Time allotted — remaining private Members’  
business time prior to 1 pm*

*Speech time limits —*

*Dr Webster — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 7 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**THE HON A. D. H. SMITH MP**

Speaker of the House of Representatives

10 June 2020