

FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

Members of the Senate

Senator	State or Territory	Term expires	Party
Abetz, Hon. Eric	Tas	30.6.2005	LP
Allison, Lynette Fay	Vic	30.6.2008	AD
Barnett, Guy ⁽⁵⁾	Tas	30.6.2005	LP
Bartlett, Andrew John Julian	Qld	30.6.2008	AD
Bishop, Thomas Mark	WA	30.6.2008	ALP
Bolkus, Hon. Nick	SA	30.6.2005	ALP
Boswell, Hon. Ronald Leslie Doyle	Qld	30.6.2008	NATS
Brandis, George Henry ⁽²⁾	Qld	30.6.2005	LP
Brown, Robert James	Tas	30.6.2008	AG

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HOWARD MINISTRY

Prime Minister
Minister for Transport and Regional Services and

The Hon. John Winston Howard MP

HOWARD MINISTRY—

SHADOW MINISTRY

Leader of the Opposition
Deputy Leader of the Opposition and Shadow

The Hon. Kim Christian Beazley MP

SHADOW MINISTRY—*continued*

Shadow Minister for Immigration

Laurence Donald Thomas Ferguson MP

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honestly do not know enough about those to pass judgment on how true or otherwise they were, beyond noting a comment that I saw yesterday about how blown out of proportion

The same principle applies to multicultur-

ognised because they meld with the overall fabric of the legal framework. But the changes are made at the time for good reason, and that means they will continue into

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contribution, I think we can say that, if any of us were able to leave this place saying that we had made a contribution, a policy or a way of thinking which was to outlast our departure from this place, we would have done well. Unquestionably, Al Grassby achieved that distinction. He was a person whom you looked at and spoke to, and you knew where he stood. You knew what he believed in. In everything he said and did, he imparted a sense of where he was coming from. We would all do well to be as recognisable on the political radar as Al Grassby.

Senator LUNDY (Australian Capital Territory) (10.02 am)—It is with sadness that I, too, offer my condolences to the

as an effective and very vocal local member, he was approached to consider running for the federal seat of Riverina. In Gough Whit-

with the international schools program in seven countries. He reviewed the multicultural information services of New South Wales health services and examined Aboriginal

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with his unsuccessful Joh for PM campaign in the lead-up to the 1987 federal election, where in true style he described his campaign with the words, 'I'

licly stated that I thought plans to picket his funeral were plain stupid.

However, I also note that in a few key respects it is, if not unprecedented, certainly very rare to have a formal debate on a condolence motion for a former state Premier in the same way as we have been having other condolence motions in the last day or two. To use a fairly recent example: after the death of Jim Bacon in Tasmania—who did not die in office but fairly soon after leaving it—we simply had people making speeches noting his life in an adjournment debate rather than speaking to a formal condolence motion.

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port. It still was not majority support. When

a devastating tsunami affecting Indonesia, Thailand, Sri Lanka, India, Mauritius, Myanmar, Bangladesh, a number of smaller islands in South Asia and other countries as

Leader McCarthy rowed about 5,000 kilometres from the Canary Islands to Barbados. During the journey of more than 40 days he survived on dehydrated food and desalinated

into military justice, which is soon to report,
has provided an opportunity for families of

lessly served in our region and who paid this price for their courage and commitment in so serving. Our thoughts and sympathy are with their families, their loved ones and their friends, and also with their fellow crew members of HMAS *Kanimbla*, who no doubt

Law Amendment Bill 2005, is very similar to an earlier bill that was introduced in the last

derstood and being familiar with that provision, is comfortable with that response.

the best interests of the child are safeguarded. The National Network of Women's Legal Services made this point:

... it seems unfair to bring in this provision when women cannot claim back payments of retrospective child support. Therefore, while a woman could be made to pay back a wrongly identified

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laboratories in this country. We do have accredited labs in this country, but there is no legislative requirement that DNA parentage testing in Australia be performed only through those NATA-accredited laboratories. The consent of mature age children aged 12 and over is not required under legislation for

ments. An earlier version of this bill was

clerk in Cairo, fed up with typing out the whole phrase—became a legend and altered our way of thinking, and arguably our future, forever.

I dare say every Australian knows some-

big crowds and a very small place in which

subservience; we learned that we must shake off the shackles of colonial dependence; we must stand for what we believe in; and we must be prepared to defend our ideals whatever the cost.

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don in the other place, extremely welcome. It cannot have been easy in a crowded and busy ship to find space, either physically or mentally, for three rookie parliamentary sailors who were there to watch and learn—that is, to watch their step and to learn to keep out of the way.

From Gallipoli, aboard HMAS *Anzac*, I had the opportunity to observe the ship's company at work on exercises with foreign navy vessels and in port at Marmaris, on Turkey's coast just above the island of Rhodes, where an international maritime festival was being held. Again, those fine people did an exemplary job for their ship and for our country. From Marmaris we sailed to Malta, another place where Austrians and New Zealanders served with distinction in past

opposition, unions and industry groups but also consistently ignored them for many years. Leading up to the last election, Labor

Manufacturing has a special place too. It sits in that unique place where manufactur-

treaty—the United States has not yet done

from the north—

years Gallipoli has been covered with some controversy. The issue of rock music played through the preceding night has been the

Will the minister inform the Senate about

ity to feed and clothe their kids by reducing the income you pay them? Week after week they are going to be \$22 a week worse off because you are cutting their payments when their child turns six. What is the explanation

system. The fact that our highest tax rate has been cutting in at such relatively low incomes—a factor cited by the Labor Party in the past—

are going to be during school hours, will you exempt these parents from the penalties?

Senator ABETZ—The vast bulk and con-

are effectively tax free up to an income of
around \$45,000. Under the current law, the tax on the first \$45,000 of income is 0%.

payments would receive an extra \$24 a fortnight on average by increasing the threshold level to \$37,500. This will not only put more money in the pockets of low-income families but

to what Mr Beazley has said today, this is a real unfunded liability. Mr Beazley said today that this was all going to disappear by

justice stay visa. Deportation involves considerations which come under the jurisdiction of the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs. Of course, a number of considerations are taken

It is these factors that have laid the solid

Senator Carr to move on the next day of sitting:

That there be laid on the table, no later than 5 pm on Thursday, 12 May 2005, the following documents:

- (a) all correspondence between the Minister for Education, Science and Training (Dr Nelson) and all office-holders and members of the former Melbourne University Student Union; and
all correspondence between the Minister and Mr Nathan Barker, elected in late 2002 as the incoming MUSU House and Services Officer; and
- (b) all correspondence between the Minister and others who may not have been office-holders and members of the Board, Council

Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL

- Statute Law Revision Bill 2005.
- 4. The committee met again in private session on Wednesday, 11 May 2005 at 9.22 am.
- 5. The committee resolved to recommend—
That the

students; NTEU; Go8; university sports organisations.

Committee to which bill is referred:

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deputy chair of the Standing Committee of
Senators' Interests and the person who has

pleaded guilty, but the question still remains

or whatever other grounds, let us change the

said: 'You're a senator—why don't you

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**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
EMPLOYMENT PROJECTS**
Senator CARR

Senator Vanstone of that crime. I expect that they

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very serious matter. A minister should never take on a portfolio without believing they are well equipped to handle it, having the ability to get across it and wanting to take it on. It is not something that is put onto an individual; it is something that is taken on as a responsibility—it is a very high office. This motion is not about tin buraucrcy; it is about tin competence of the minister handling a series of extraordinary inhumanities that have oc-

Ferris, J.M.
Heffernan, W.
Kemp, C.R.

Fierravanti-Wells, C.
Johnston, D.
Lightfoot, P.R.

issue. Before I do that, I will comment on the contribution we had from the minister on

ment of Ms Rau and Ms Alvarez, to make

terms of disciplinary action under the Public Service Act, and he has the power to make reference

various parts of Australia for about five years, contributed to their 'progressive deterioration'.

The editorial ends with this paragraph:

parliamentary committees and Senate com-

problem and recommended unanimously, including the Liberal Party members of that committee, that the government work with

contains another example of this government's wilful misleading of the public about the basic facts of this crucial area. It is a report that was tabled out of session by the

Senator NETTLE (New South Wales)
(6.33 pm)—I will sum up the debate. The case has been put several times for supporting this censure motion. I do not think a strong case has been put at all by the government in defending the minister. The case

received by the rooming to hearings

Economics References Committee—
Report—Structure and distributive effects of
the Australian taxation system

Government documents

Australia-Korea Foundation—Annual report
2003-2004

Attorney-General'

Recommendation 3

ration Ltd on 19 March 2004, dated 10 May
2005.

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record number of illegal foreign fishing vessels

activity and form part of a whole of government approach to strong border security. The bill provides for appropriate safeguards in the exercise of these proposed powers.

These new powers will only be exercised by officers who are specifically authorised to do so. An important part of the authorisation process, will see any prospective officers receive comprehen-

TELECOMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION
AMENDMENT (REGULAR REVIEWS AND
OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2005

The Telecommunications Legislation Amendment

The bill also includes amendments to ensure that procedural provisions relating to judicial review

sues, which have not been addressed, regarding the shared responsibility agreements—w-22.1(h)-0.4(i)4.9(c)-10.9(h)22.3(a)-10.9(r)-8.3(e)11.8(y)22.3(e)11.8(t)4.9(t)-17.9(o)22.3(be)11.8(und)22.3(e) word 's most accepted and ratified international covenants w--9.9(h)18.1(ic)-15.1(h)18.1()22.8(A)12.9(u)18.1(s)-24.7(t)0.7(r)-12.5(a)-15.1(lia)-15.1(w)12.9(a) agreements. In particular, I think it is appropriate, in the context of the flat-line budget for Indigenous affairs that was delivered only 24 hours ago, to talk on the government's key policy platform of shared responsibility agreements, which are so carefully analysed in this report. f was not able to mke it to the

Commissioner: Native Title Report 2004. I
this report, Mr Calma states:

The recognition of traditional owners hip is the

not to end here. The Fraser government elected in 1975 continued the work started by AI. It took on the task of nurturing the multicultural policy initiatives, ensuring bipartisan support for the approach in its early application.

Since the 1996 election and the rise of Hansonism, some have perceived teaching English to migrants and other such services

as special treatment. Grassby's big idea has

I ve always been a passionate Australian national-
 ve always believed in Australia 3.375 0 TD 0 Tc 0 Tw (')Tj /F6 1 Tf 4.275 0 TD 0.01

never been a favourite of the small minded.

He once explained his views on Australia's

culture in this way:

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ideal and appropriate arrangement but, again, I am glad to see that money has been allocated to this cause.

As many senators would know, since I entered this parliament almost 10 years ago, I have pursued the issue of not only genetic technology per se but the regulatory framework that is required in order for us to keep pace with the scientific advances and also to

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Solomons, said, 'It didn't matter if you'd only met Adam briefly or if you'

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Other states, such as Victoria and Queensland, use public interest tests' when issuing licences in 1996.3(

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in: (i) New South Wales, (ii) Victoria, (iii) Queensland, (iv) South Australia, (v) Western Australia,

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STATE	NUMBER OF GRANTS	PROGRAM	NATURE	AMOUNT
VIC	17	2004 Election Commitments		

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STATE	NUMBER OF GRANTS
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- (5) (a) What appropriations will the department use to authorise any of the payments either committed to be made or proposed to be made as part of this advertising campaign; (b) will those appropriations be made in the 2003-04 or 2004-05 financial year; (c) will the appropriations relate to a de-

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(4) No.

(5) N/a (as referred to in paragraph (4) above).

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STATE	LOCATION	RECIPIENT	PROJECT NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACC	FUNDING
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STATE	LOCATION	RECIPIENT	PROJECT NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACC	FUNDING
WA	Moora	Shire of Moora	Moora Community Resource Centre			

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STATE	LOCATION	RECIPIENT	PROJECT NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACC	FUNDING
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STATE	LOCATION	RECIPIENT	PROJECT NAME	DESCRIPTION	ACC	FUNDING
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Attachment B

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- (4) (a) By year, how many copies of the CRID have been distributed in the financial years 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05 to date; and (b) what total number of copies are expected to be distributed in the 2004-05 financial year.

Year	Activity	Amount (\$)
2004-05 (to Dec 04)	Design	14,072
	Printing	369,798
	Postage	409,798

(b)—

Year	Activity	Amount (\$)
2002-03	In house resources (est)	67,300
2003-04	In house resources (est)	69,300
2004-05 (to Dec 04)	In house resources (est)	35,850

(c) \$449,000 (includes in-house resources estimated at \$71,700)

Attachment A

NAME	LOCATION
Library and Information Service, Fitzroy Office, Shire of Derby/West Kimberley	Fitzroy Crossing 6765
Kingston Soldiers' Memorial Hospital	Kingston Se SA 5275

NAME	LOCATION
Women's Information and Counselling Service Por	Nelson Bay NSW 2315
Nimbin Community Development Association	Nimbin NSW 2480
Nimbin Neighbourhood & Information Centre Inc	Nimbin NSW 2480

With reference to the Minister's media statement (reference TRS13/Budget, dated 11 May 2004) regarding the provision of a pressurised, twin-engine turbine aircraft on permanent stand-by in Darwin, for Australian Maritime Safety Authority operations, can the following details be provided: (a) the date on which the tender was released; (b) the date of placement and media used to publicise the release of the

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Senator Patterson—

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- (6) 9,022 referrals were made to existing services through the Violence Against Women. Australia Says No helpline in 2004. This figure cannot be broken down specifically to domestic violence support services.
- (7) 259 referrals were made to existing services through the Violence Against Women. Australia Says No helpline in January 2005. This figure cannot be br

- (4) Victims of violence who are at risk of homelessness seek housing assistance from a wide range of sources. These include SAAP services, public and community housing, State and Territory government funded homelessness refuges, the private rental market, community organisations and friends and family.

Anti-Domestic-Violence Advertising Campaign

(Question No. 454)

Senator Stott Despoja

- (3) Does the Government intend to continue funding each of the other programs and initiatives which come under the National Initiative to Combat Sexual Assault (NCSA), such as the NCSA-funded

- (3) Funding for these programs is from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2005. Options for future funding will be considered in the Budget context.

Women in Detention

- (2) (a) The Prime Minister announced on 29 June 2004 that the Australian Government was prepared to consider contributing up to \$5 million to assist with project costs, conditional upon the feasibility study commissioned by Gunns Limited concluding that an environmental best practice pulp mill

