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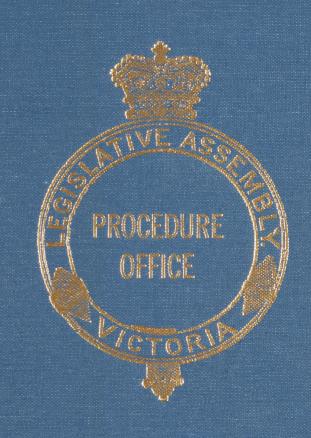
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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. MAGISTRATES' COURT (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 2. PUBLIC CORRECTIONAL SERVICES AUTHORITY BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 3. STATUTE LAW REVISION (REPEALS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hamilton).
- 4. PUBLIC SECTOR REFORM (FURTHER AMENDMENTS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hamilton).
- 5. **ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading *Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt)*.
- 6. BARLEY MARKETING (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hamilton).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 2. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary
 Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more
 socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health
 and education.

- 4. **MR CLARK** To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- 5. **MR BATCHELOR** To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- 6. **MR McARTHUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 7. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 8. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- 9. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- 10. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 11. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 12. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- 13. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 14. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.

- 15. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 16. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 17. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 18. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 19. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 20. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 21. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 22. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 23. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 24. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 25. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.

- 26. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 27. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 28. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 29. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 30. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 32. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 33. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 34. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 35. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 36. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 37. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 38. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.

- 39. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 40. **MR WELLS** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 41. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 42. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 43. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 44. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 45. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 46. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 47. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 48. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 49. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.

- 50. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 51. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 52. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 53. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 54. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 55. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 56. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 57. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 58. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 59. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 60. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.

- 61. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 62. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 63. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 64. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 65. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 66. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 67. **MR TREASURE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 68. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 69. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 70. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.

- 71. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 72. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 73. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 74. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 75. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 76. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 77. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 78. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 79. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 80. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 81. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 82. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.

- 83. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 84. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 85. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 86. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 87. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 88. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 89. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 90. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 91. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 92. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 93. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.

- 94. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 95. **MR ANDRIGHETTO** To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 96. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 97. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- 98. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 99. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 100. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 101. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 102. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 103. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.

- 104. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 105. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 106. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 107. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 108. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 109. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 111. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co- operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the

- Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 113. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 114. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 115. **MR ASHLEY** To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 116. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 117. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 118. MR HAERMEYER -To move, That this House - (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- 119. MR HAERMEYER - To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan

Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.

- 120. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 121. **MR LUPTON** To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 122. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 123. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 124. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 125. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 127. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch

- structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 128. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 129. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre- selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by- elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 130. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 131. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 *Sunday* program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 132. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 133. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 134. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 135. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 136. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 137. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 138. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 139. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a

- promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 140. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 142. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 143. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 144. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 145. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 146. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 147. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.

- 148. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 149. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 150. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 151. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 152. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 153. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 154. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 155. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 156. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 157. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.

- 158. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 159. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 160. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 161. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 162. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 163. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-tovote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 164. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 166. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 167. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 168. **MR MAUGHAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.

- 169. MR PANDAZOPOULOS - To move, That this House notes the belated support of the Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south- east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 170. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- 171. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 175. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998,

- receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 177. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 178. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 179. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re— election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co— operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 180. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 181. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 182. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.

- 183. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 184. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 185. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 186. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 187. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 188. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 189. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 190. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 191. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 192. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process

of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.

- 193. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 194. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 195. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 196. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 197. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 198. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- 199. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.

- 200. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 201. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to 202. uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competition that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.
- 203. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 204. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.

- 205. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the 206. Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 207. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 208. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 209. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- 210. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of

the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.

- 211. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 212. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 213. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 214. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 215. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 216. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 217. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 218. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 219. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters,

- and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 220. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 221. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 222. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 223. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 224. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 225. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 226. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 227. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 228. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.

- 229. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 230. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 231. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 232. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 233. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 234. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 235. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 236. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.

- 237. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 238. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 239. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 240. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 241. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 242. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 243. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 244. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 245. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 246. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone

and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.

- 247. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 248. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 249. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 250. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 251. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 252. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 253. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 254. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.

- 255. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 256. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 257. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 258. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 259. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 260. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 261. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 262. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 263. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country

- Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 264. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 265. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 266. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 267. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 268. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 269. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 270. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 271. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.

- 272. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 273. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 275. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 276. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 277. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 278. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 279. MR. WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.

- 280. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 281. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 282. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 283. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 284. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 285. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 286. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 287. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 288. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.

- 289. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its SkillsNet programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 290. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 291. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 292. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 293. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 294. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 295. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 296. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 297. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.

- 298. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 299. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 300. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 301. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 302. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 303. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 304. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 305. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.

- *306. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- *307. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- *308. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- *309. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- *310. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- *311. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- *312. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- *313. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.

- *314. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- *315. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- *316. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- *317. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- *318. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) - Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 2. PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).

- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG –** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. **COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK** Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs. Campbell).

- 21. PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs. Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) - Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).

- 30. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. **MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage)
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34 PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).

- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
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R. W. PURDEY
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S. J. PLOWMAN

Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL- STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Bracks, Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House). Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m. Order of business on those days shall be:-

- Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

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Mr Speaker takes the Chair at Ten o'clock

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 2. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary
 Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more
 socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health
 and education.
- 4. **MR CLARK** To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- 5. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- 6. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 7. **MR BRUMBY** To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 8. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling
 the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling
 mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.

- 10. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 11. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 12. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- 13. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 14. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 15. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 16. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 17. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 18. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.

- 19. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 20. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 21. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 22. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 23. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 24. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 25. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 26. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 27. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 28. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 29. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 30. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.

- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 32. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 33. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 34. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 35. **MS KOSKY** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 36. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 37. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 38. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 40. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 41. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 42. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 43. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.

- 44. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 45. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 46. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 47. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 48. **MR MILDENHALL** To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 49. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 50. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 51. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 52. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 53. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.

- 54. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 55. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 56. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 57. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 58. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 59. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 60. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 61. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 62. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 63. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 64. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 65. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.

- 66. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 67. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 68. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 69. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 70. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 71. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 72. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four—week and eight—week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 73. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 74. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 75. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.

- 76. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 77. **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 78. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 79. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 80. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 81. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 82. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 83. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 84. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 85. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.

- 86. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 87. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 88. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 89. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 90. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 91. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 92. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 93. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 94. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 95. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 96. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.

- 97. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 99. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 100. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 101. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 103. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 104. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 105. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 106. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.

- 107. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 108. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 109. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 111. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 113. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 114. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 115. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.

- 116. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 117. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- MR HAERMEYER -To move, That this House - (a) condemns the Minister for 118. Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- 119. MR HAERMEYER - To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 120. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 121. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part–time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.

- 122. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 123. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 124. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 125. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 126. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 127. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 128. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre- selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by- elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 130. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.

- 131. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 *Sunday* program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 132. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 133. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 134. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 135. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 136. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 137. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 138. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 139. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 140. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 142. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government

- agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 143. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 144. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 145. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor- General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor- General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 146. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 147. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 148. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 149. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 150. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 151. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.

- 152. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 153. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 154. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 155. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 156. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 157. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 158. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 159. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 160. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 161. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.

- 162. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 163. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-to-vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 164. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 166. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 167. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 168. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 169. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.

- 170. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- 171. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 175. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an ad hoc service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 177. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".

- 178. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 179. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 180. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 181. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 182. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 183. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 184. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.

- 185. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 186. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 187. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 188. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 189. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 190. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 191. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 192. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 193. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.

- 194. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 195. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 196. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 197. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 198. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive 199. economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 200. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 201. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.

- 202. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitions that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.
- 203. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 204. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 205. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- 206. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation

to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.

- 207. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 208. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 209. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 210. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards
- 211. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 212. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.

- 213. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 214. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 215. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 216. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 217. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 218. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 219. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 220. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 221. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing

schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.

- 222. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 223. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 224. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 225. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 226. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 227. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 228. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 229. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 230. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 231. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.

- 232. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 233. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 234. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 235. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 236. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 237. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 238. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 239. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.

- 240. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 241. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 242. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 243. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 244. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 245. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 246. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 247. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 248. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

- 249. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 250. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 251. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 252. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 253. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 254. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 255. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 256. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 257. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.

- 258. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 259. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 260. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 261. **MR LIM** To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 262. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 263. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 264. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 265. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 266. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.

- 267. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 268. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 269. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 270. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 271. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 272. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 273. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.

- 275. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 276. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 277. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 278. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 279. MR. WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 280. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 281. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 282. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.

- 283. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 284. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 285. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 286. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 287. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 288. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 289. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 290. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 291. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 292. MR McGRATH (Warmambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.

- 293. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 294. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 295. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 296. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 297. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 298. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 299. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 300. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.

- 301. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 302. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 303. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 304. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 305. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 306. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 307. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 308. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.

- 309. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 310. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 311. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 312. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 313. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 314. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 315. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 316. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 317. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the

- telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 318. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- *319. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- *320. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- *321. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- *322. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- *323. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- *324. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- *325. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- *326. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- *327. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.

- *328. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- *329. **MR HAMILTON** To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- *330. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- *331. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- *332. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- *333. MR. BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- *334. **MR ELDER** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- *335. MR. LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- *336. MR. JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- *337. MR. HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.

- *338. MR. PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- *339. MR. HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- *340. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- *341. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- *342. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- *343. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- *344. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- *345. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- *346. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- *347. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- *348. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed

- waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- *349. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- *350. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- *351. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the Play it Safe by the Water campaign and the Life Saving into the 21st Century program.
- *352. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- *353. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- *354. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- *355. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the Rabbit Buster Initiative which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- *356. MR. MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- *357. **MR. PERTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- *358. MR. PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.

- *359. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- *360. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- *361. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- *362. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- *363. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- *364. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- *365. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- *366. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- *367. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.

- *368. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- *369. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- *370. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- *371. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- *372. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 2. PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. **SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM** Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality

- education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness

- to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students,

- and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) - Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)

- 32. **MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34 PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. **MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by

- Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- *44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- *45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- *1. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Tattersall Consultations Act 1958 and for other purposes.
- *2. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Transport Accident Act 1986 and for other purposes.
- *3. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to encourage the voluntary disclosure and exchange of information about year 2000 computer problems and remediation efforts and for other purposes.
- *4. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Office of the Regulator-General Act 1994 and for other purposes.

- *5. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Emergency Services Superannuation Act 1986, the Magistrates' Court Act 1989, the Parliamentary Salaries and Superannuation Act 1968, the Public Sector Superannuation (Administration) Act 1993, the State Employees Retirement Benefits Act 1979, the State Superannuation Act 1988, the Superannuation (Portability) Act 1989 and the Transport Superannuation Act 1988 and for other purposes.
- *6. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the administration of certain Victorian superannuation schemes, to repeal the Public Sector Superannuation (Administration) Act 1993, to consequentially amend certain other Acts and for other purposes.
- *7. MR McNAMARA To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Water Act 1989, the Water Industry Act 1994 and the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1958 and for other purposes.
- *8. MRS TEHAN To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the revocation of the reservations over certain pieces of land, to provide for the re-reservation of certain land and for other purposes.
- *9. MR GUDE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Education Act 1958 and the Teaching Service Act 1981 and for other purposes.
- *10. MR COOPER To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Transport Competition Act 1995 and the Transport Act 1983 and for other purposes.
- *11. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Legal Practice Act 1996 to alter the practising certificate year from the calendar year to the financial year and for other purposes.
- *12. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Coroners Act 1985 and for other purposes.
- *13. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to re-enact with amendments laws relating to trading practices, to make further provision about trading practices, to repeal the Consumer Affairs Act 1972, the Ministry of Consumer Affairs Act 1973, the Fair Trading Act 1985 and the Market Court Act 1978 and for other purposes.
- *14. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the installation, use and maintenance of surveillance devices and restrict the publication of information gained from their use, to repeal the Listening Devices Act 1969, to amend the Evidence Act 1958 and for other purposes.
- *15. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Sentencing Act 1991 and the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. MAGISTRATES' COURT (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms McCall).
- 2. STATUTE LAW REVISION (REPEALS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hamilton).
- 3. PUBLIC SECTOR REFORM (FURTHER AMENDMENTS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hamilton).
- 4. ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- 5. BARLEY MARKETING (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hamilton).
- 6. PUBLIC CORRECTIONAL SERVICES AUTHORITY BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

R. W. PURDEY
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES - Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).

TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN – Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- **FEDERAL- STATE RELATIONS (JOINT)** Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex-officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Bracks, Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Pursuant to resolution on 23 March 1999 Wednesday, 14 April 1999 is an appointed day upon which the question "That grievances be noted" shall be put.

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

Mr Speaker takes the Chair at Ten o'clock

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- BARLEY MARKETING (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hamilton).
- *3. TATTERSALL CONSULTATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *4. TRANSPORT ACCIDENT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *5. YEAR 2000 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE BILL Second reading.
- *6. OFFICE OF THE REGULATOR-GENERAL (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *7. SUPERANNUATION ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *8. GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUATION BILL Second reading.
- *9. WATER ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *10. EDUCATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *11. TRANSPORT ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *12. LEGAL PRACTICE (PRACTISING CERTIFICATES) BILL Second reading.
- *13. CORONERS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *14. FAIR TRADING BILL Second reading.
- *15. SURVEILLANCE DEVICES BILL Second reading.
- *16. SENTENCING (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *17. LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading.
- 18. **PUBLIC CORRECTIONAL SERVICES AUTHORITY BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary
 Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more
 socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health
 and education.
- MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- 4. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 6. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 7. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- 8. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 10. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 11. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.

- 12. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 13. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 14. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 15. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 16. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 17. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 18. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 19. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 20. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on

- political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 21. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 22. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 23. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 24. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 25. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 26. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 27. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 28. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 29. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 30. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 32. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 33. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.

- 34. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 35. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 36. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 37. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 38. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 39. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 40. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 41. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 42. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 43. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 44. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 45. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's

- statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 46. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 47. **MR MILDENHALL** To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 48. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 49. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 50. **MR WELLS** To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 51. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 52. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 53. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 54. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 55. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.

- 56. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 57. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 58. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 59. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 60. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 61. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 62. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 63. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 64. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 65. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 66. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 67. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.

- 68. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 69. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 70. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 71. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 72. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 73. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 74. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 75. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 76. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 77. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.

- 78. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 79. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 80. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 81. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 82. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 83. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 84. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 85. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 86. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 87. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 88. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.

- 89. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 90. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 91. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 92. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 93. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 94. **MR ANDRIGHETTO** To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 95. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 96. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 98. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 99. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.

- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 101. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 103. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 104. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 105. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 106. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 107. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 108. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- 109. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State

Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.

- 110. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- 111. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 112. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 113. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 114. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 115. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 116. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 117. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping

instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.

- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and 118. Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 119. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 120. **MR LUPTON** To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 121. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 122. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 123. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.

- 124. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 125. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 127. **MR HULLS** To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 129. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 130. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 131. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 132. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 133. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.

- 134. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 135. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 136. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 137. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 138. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 139. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 142. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.

- 143. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 144. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 145. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 146. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 147. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 148. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 149. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 150. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 151. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 152. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.

- 153. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 154. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 155. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 156. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 157. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 158. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 159. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 160. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 161. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-tovote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.

- 163. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor- General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 165. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 166. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 167. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 168. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 169. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.

- 171. **MR** LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 177. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 178. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re- election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co- operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior

- figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 179. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 180. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 181. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 182. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 183. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 184. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 185. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 186. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.

- 187. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 188. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 189. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 190. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 191. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 192. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 193. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 194. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 195. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 196. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.

- 197. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive 198. economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 199. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 200. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to 201. uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitors that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to

his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.

- 202. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 203. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 204. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the 205. Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 206. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 207. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as

required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information - (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period – the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.

- 208. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 209. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 210. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 211. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 212. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 213. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 214. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.

- 215. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 216. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 217. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 218. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 219. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 220. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 221. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 222. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.

- 223. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 224. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 225. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 226. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 227. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 228. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 230. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 231. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 232. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.

- 233. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 234. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 235. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 236. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 237. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 238. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 239. **MS DAVIES** To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 240. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 241. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.

- 242. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 243. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 244. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 245. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 246. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 247. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 248. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 249. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 250. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and

- (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 251. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 252. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 253. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 254. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 255. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 256. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 257. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 258. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 259. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.

- 260. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 261. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 262. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 263. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 264. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 265. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 266. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 267. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.

- 268. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 269. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 270. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 271. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 272. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 274. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for onethird of the State's export earnings.
- 275. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.

- 276. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 277. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 278. MR. WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 279. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 280. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 281. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 282. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 283. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 284. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.

- 285. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 286. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities
- 287. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 288. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 289. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 290. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 291. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 292. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 293. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 294. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in

- answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 295. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 296. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 297. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 298. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 299. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 301. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.

- 302. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 303. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 304. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 305. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 306. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 307. **MR PLOWMAN** (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 308. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 309. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 310. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses

- who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 311. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 312. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 313. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 314. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 315. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 316. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 317. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 318. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 319. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.

- 320. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 321. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 322. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 323. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 324. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 325. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 326. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 327. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- 328. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 329. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 330. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.

- 331. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 332. MR. BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 333. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 334. MR. LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 335. MR. JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 336. MR. HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 337. MR. PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- 338. MR. HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 339. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 340. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 341. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.

- 342. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 343. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 344. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 345. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 346. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 347. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 348. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- 349. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 350. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the Play it Safe by the Water campaign and the Life Saving into the 21st Century program.
- 351. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.

- 352. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 353. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 354. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Rabbit Buster Initiative* which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 355. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 356. **MR PERTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 357. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 359. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 360. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report

- entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 361. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 362. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 363. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 364. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 365. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 366. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 367. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 368. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- 369. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 370. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 371. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 2. **PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. **METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service;

- (b) attempting to cover—up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) - Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg

- between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (*Mr Langdon*).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to - (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on

- volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (*Mr Brumby*).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. **ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. **MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).

- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. **ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 42. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 43. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST -** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (*Mr Cameron*).
- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- *46. **PLANNING DECISIONS** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL- STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- **LAW REFORM (JOINT)** Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Bracks, Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Pursuant to resolution on 23 March 1999 Wednesday, 14 April 1999 is an appointed day upon which the question "That grievances be noted" shall be put.

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading.
- 2. TATTERSALL CONSULTATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 3. TRANSPORT ACCIDENT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 4. TRANSPORT ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Batchelor).
- 5. **LEGAL PRACTICE (PRACTISING CERTIFICATES) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 6. **CORONERS (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- YEAR 2000 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Carli).
- 8. OFFICE OF THE REGULATOR-GENERAL (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 9. WATER ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- SUPERANNUATION ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 11. **GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUATION BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 12. **EDUCATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Delahunty).
- 13. **FAIR TRADING BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 14. SURVEILLANCE DEVICES BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 15. **SENTENCING (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary
 Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more
 socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health
 and education.
- MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- 4. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 6. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling
 the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling
 mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 11. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.

- 12. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 13. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 14. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 15. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 16. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 17. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 18. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 19. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 20. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on

- political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 21. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 22. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 23. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 24. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 25. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 26. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 27. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 28. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 29. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 30. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 32. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 33. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.

- 34. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 35. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 36. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 37. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 38. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 39. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 40. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 41. **MR RYAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 42. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 43. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 44. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 45. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's

- statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 46. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 47. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 48. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 49. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 50. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 51. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 52. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 53. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 54. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 55. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.

- 56. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 57. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 58. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 59. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 60. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 61. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 62. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 63. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 64. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 65. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 66. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 67. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.

- 68. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 69. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 70. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 71. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 72. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 73. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 74. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 75. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 76. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 77. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.

- 78. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 79. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 80. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 81. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 82. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 83. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 84. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 85. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 86. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 87. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 88. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.

- 89. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 90. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 91. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 92. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 93. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 94. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 95. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 96. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 98. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 99. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.

- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 101. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 103. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 104. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 105. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 106. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 107. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 108. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- 109. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State

Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub-lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co-operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.

- 110. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- 111. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 112. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 113. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 114. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 115. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 116. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 117. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping

instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.

- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and 118. Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 119. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 120. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation Bushfire Blitz, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 121. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 122. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 123. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.

- 124. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 125. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 126. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 127. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 128. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 129. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 130. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 *Sunday* program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 131. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 132. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 133. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.

- 134. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 135. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 136. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 137. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 138. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 139. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 142. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.

- 143. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 144. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor- General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor- General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 145. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 146. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 147. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 148. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 149. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 150. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 151. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 152. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.

- 153. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 154. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 155. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 156. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 157. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 158. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 159. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 160. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 161. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 162. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-tovote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.

- 163. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 165. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 166. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 167. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 168. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south- east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 169. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993–97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.

- 171. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 177. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 178. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior

- figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 179. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 180. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 181. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 182. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 183. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 184. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 185. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 186. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.

- 187. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 188. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 189. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 190. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 191. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 192. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 193. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 194. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 195. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 196. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.

- 197. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive 198. economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 199. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 200. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to 201. uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competition that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to

his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.

- 202. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 203. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 204. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the 205. Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 206. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 207. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as

- required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 208. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 209. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 210. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 211. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats
- 212. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 213. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 214. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.

- 215. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 216. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 217. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 218. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 219. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 220. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 221. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 222. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.

- 223. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 224. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 225. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 226. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 227. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 228. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 230. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 231. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 232. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.

- 233. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 234. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 235. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 236. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 237. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 238. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 239. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 240. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 241. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.

- 242. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 243. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 244. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 245. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 246. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 247. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 248. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 249. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 250. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and

- (*b*) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 251. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 252. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 253. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 254. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 255. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 256. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 257. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 258. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 259. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.

- 260. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 261. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 262. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 263. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 264. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 265. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 267. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.

- 268. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 269. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 270. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 271. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 272. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 274. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for onethird of the State's export earnings.
- 275. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.

- 276. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 277. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 278. MR. WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 279. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 280. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 281. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 282. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 283. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 284. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.

- 285. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privåtisation.
- 286. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 287. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 288. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 289. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 290. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 291. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 292. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 293. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 294. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in

- answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 295. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 296. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 297. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 298. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 299. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 301. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.

- 302. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 303. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 304. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 305. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 306. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 307. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 308. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 309. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 310. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses

- who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 311. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 312. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 313. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 314. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 315. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 316. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 317. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 318. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 319. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.

- 320. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 321. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 322. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 323. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 324. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 325. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 326. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 327. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- 328. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 329. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 330. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.

- 331. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 332. MR. BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 333. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 334. MR. LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 335. MR. JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 336. MR. HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 337. MR. PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- 338. MR. HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 339. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 340. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 341. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.

- 342. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 343. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 344. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 345. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 346. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 347. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 348. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- 349. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 350. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.
- 351. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.

- 352. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 353. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 354. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the Rabbit Buster Initiative which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 355. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 356. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 357. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 358. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 359. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 360. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report

- entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 361. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 362. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 363. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 364. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 365. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 366. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 367. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 368. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- 369. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 370. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 371. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.

- *372. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children's and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- *373. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a tape—recorded interview.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) - Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).

- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question – That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) – Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn – To be considered (Mr Cameron).

- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. **SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).

- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST -** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question - That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as

detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).

- 34. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) - Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip - To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).

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- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES -** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- *47. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- *48. CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- *49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).

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R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- **FEDERAL- STATE RELATIONS (JOINT)** Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Bracks, Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Pursuant to resolution on 23 March 1999 Wednesday, 14 April 1999 is an appointed day upon which the question "That grievances be noted" shall be put.

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

Mr Speaker takes the Chair at Ten o'clock

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

ORDER OF THE DAY

* GRIEVANCES - Debate on the question - That grievances be noted.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- *1. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Rural Finance Act 1988 and for other purposes.
- *2. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the State Trustees (State Owned Company) Act 1994 and for other purposes.
- *3. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958 and certain other Acts and for other purposes.
- *4. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for inspectors' powers in various Acts and to make other amendments to various Acts as a consequence of the Fair Trading Act 1999 and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1 YEAR 2000 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Carli).
- 2 OFFICE OF THE REGULATOR-GENERAL (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 3 LEGAL PRACTICE (PRACTISING CERTIFICATES) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 4 CORONERS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 5 LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading.
- 6 WATER ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).

- 7 SUPERANNUATION ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 8 GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUATION BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 9 EDUCATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Delahunty).
- 10 FAIR TRADING BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 11 SURVEILLANCE DEVICES BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 12 SENTENCING (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary
 Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more
 socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health
 and education.
- 3. MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- 4. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 6. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.

- 8. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 10. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 11. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- 12. **MR HULLS** To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 13. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 14. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 15. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 16. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 17. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.

- 18. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 19. MR McLELLAN (*Frankston East*) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 20. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 21. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 22. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 23. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 24. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 25. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 26. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 27. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 28. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 29. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.

- 30. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 32. MR HAMILTON –To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 33. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 34. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 36. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 37. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 38. **MR HULLS** To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 39. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 40. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 41. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 42. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.

- 43. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 44. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 45. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 46. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 47. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 48. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 49. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 50. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 51. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 52. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.

- 53. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 54. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 55. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 56. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 57. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 58. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 59. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 60. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 61. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 62. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 63. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 64. **MR COLEMAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.

- 65. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 66. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 67. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 68. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 69. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 70. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 71. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 72. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 73. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 74. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.

- 75. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 76. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 77. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 78. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 79. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 80. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 81. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 82. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 83. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 84. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.

- 85. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 86. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 87. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 88. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 89. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 90. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 91. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 92. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 93. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 94. **MR ANDRIGHETTO** To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 95. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 96. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.

- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 98. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 100. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 101. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 102. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 103. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 104. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 105. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 106. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.

- 107. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 108. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 110. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 112. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 113. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 114. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 115. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.

- 116. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 117. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- 118. MR HAERMEYER - To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break-in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 119. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 120. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation Bushfire Blitz, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.

- 121. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 122. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 123. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 124. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 126. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 127. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 129. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.

- 130. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 131. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 132. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 133. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 134. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 135. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 136. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 137. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 138. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 139. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government

- agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 143. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 144. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 145. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 146. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 147. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 148. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 149. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 150. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.

- 151. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 152. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 153. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 154. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 155. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 156. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 157. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 158. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 159. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 160. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.

- 161. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 162. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on howvote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 163. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor- General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 165. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 166. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 167. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 168. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 169. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between

1993–97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.

- 170. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 171. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 177. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former

Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".

- MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 179. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 180. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 181. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 182. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 183. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 184. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.

- 185. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 186. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 187. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 188. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 189. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 190. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 191. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 192. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 193. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.

- 194. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 195. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 196. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 197. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive 198. economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 199. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 200. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- 201. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the

Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitors that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.

- 202. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 203. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 204. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- 205. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of

- whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 206. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 207. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 208. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- 209. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 210. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 211. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.

- 212. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 213. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 215. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 216. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 217. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 218. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 219. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 220. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing

schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.

- 221. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 222. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 223. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 224. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 225. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 226. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 227. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 228. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 230. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.

- 231. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 232. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 233. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 234. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 235. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 236. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 237. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 238. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.

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- 239 MS DAVIES - To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 240. MR DIXON - To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 241. MRS CAMPBELL - To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.

MR LEIGH - To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and - (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from

- Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership. MR LEIGH - To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one 243. member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior
- 244. MR LEIGH - To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Ouestion Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 246. MR LUPTON - To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 247. MR DOLLIS - To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

- 248. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 249. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 250. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 251. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 252. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 253. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 254. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 255. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 256. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 257. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community

- needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 258. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 259. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 260. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 261. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 262. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 263. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 264. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 265. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.

- 266. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 267. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 268. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 269. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 270. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 271. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 272. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- 273. MS GARBUTT - To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including - Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.

- 274. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for onethird of the State's export earnings.
- 275. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 276. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 277. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 278. MR. WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 279. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 280. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 281. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.

- 282. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 283. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 284. **MR. JOHN** To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 285. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 286. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 287. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 288. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 289. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 290. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 291. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.

- 292. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 293. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 294. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 295. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 296. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 297. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 298. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 299. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.

- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 301. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 302. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 303. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 304. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 305. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 306. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 307. **MR PLOWMAN** (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.

- 308. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 309. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 310. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 311. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 312. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 313. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 314. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 315. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 316. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the

- telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 317. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 318. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 319. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 320. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 321. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 322. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 323. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 324. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 325. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 326. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 327. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.

- 328. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 329. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 330. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 331. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 332. MR. BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 333. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 334. MR. LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 335. MR. JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 336. MR. HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 337. MR. PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.

- 338. MR. HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 339. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 340. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 341. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 342. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 343. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 344. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 345. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 346. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 347. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 348. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.

- 349. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 350. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.
- 351. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 352. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders
- 353. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 354. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the Rabbit Buster Initiative which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 355. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 356. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 357. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 358. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the

Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.

- 359. **MR PERTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 360. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 361. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 362. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 363. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 364. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 365. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 366. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 367. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 368. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.

- 369. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 370. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus
- 371. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 372. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 373. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a tape-recorded interview.
- *374. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- *375. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- *376. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- *377. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- *378. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- *379. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.

*380. MR DIXON – To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 2. **PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria To be considered (*Mr Savage*).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland

- and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (*Mr Ryan*).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron):
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).

- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) - Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. STEEL-JAWED TRAPS Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).

- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. **ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. **MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).

- 34. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) - Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip - To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) - Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria - To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
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CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES - Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).

TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN – Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL- STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex-officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Bracks, Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House). Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

Mr Speaker takes the Chair at Ten o'clock

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- *1. RURAL FINANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *2. STATE TRUSTEES (STATE OWNED COMPANY) (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *3. FAIR TRADING (INSPECTORS POWERS AND OTHER AMENDMENTS) BILL Second reading.
- *4. THE CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- 5. OFFICE OF THE REGULATOR-GENERAL (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 6. CORONERS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 7. LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading.
- 8. **WATER ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- 9. SUPERANNUATION ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 10. **GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUATION BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 11. EDUCATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Delahunty).
- 12. **FAIR TRADING BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 13. SURVEILLANCE DEVICES BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 14. SENTENCING (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary
 Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more
 socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health
 and education.
- 3. MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- 4. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 6. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 7. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- 8. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 10. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 11. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.

- 12. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 13. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 14. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 15. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 16. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 17. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 18. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 19. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 20. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on

- political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 21. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 22. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 23. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 24. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 25. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 26. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 27. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 28. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 30. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 32. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 33. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.

- 34. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 35. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 36. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 37. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 38. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 39. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 40. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 41. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 42. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 43. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 44. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 45. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's

- statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 46. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 47. **MR MILDENHALL** To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 48. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 49. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 50. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 51. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 52. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 53. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 54. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 55. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.

- 56. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 57. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 58. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 59. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 60. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 61. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 62. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 63. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 64. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 65. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 66. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 67. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.

- 68. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 69. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 70. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 71. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 72. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 73. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 74. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 75. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 76. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 77. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.

- 78. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 79. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 80. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 81. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 82. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 83. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 84. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 85. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 86. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 87. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 88. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.

- 89. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 90. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 91. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 92. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 93. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 94. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 95. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 96. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- 97. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 98. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 99. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.

- 100. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 101. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 102. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post- natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 103. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 104. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 105. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 106. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 107. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 108. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- 109. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State

Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub—lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co—operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.

- 110. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- 111. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 112. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 113. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 114. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 115. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 116. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 117. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping

instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.

- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and 118. Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 119. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 120. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation Bushfire Blitz, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 121. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 122. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 123. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.

- 124. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 127. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 129. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 130. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre- selection process.
- 131. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 132. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 133. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.

- 134. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 135. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 136. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 137. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 138. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 139. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.

- 143. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 144. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor- General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor- General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 145. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 146. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 147. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 148. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 149. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 150. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 151. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 152. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.

- 153. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 154. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 155. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 156. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 157. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 158. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 159. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 160. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 161. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 162. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how- tovote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.

- 163. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi- sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- 164. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 165. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 166. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 167. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 168. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- 170. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.

- 171. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 177. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 178. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior

- figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 179. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 180. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 181. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 182. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 183. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 184. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 185. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 186. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.

- 187. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 188. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 189. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 190. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 191. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 192. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 193. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 194. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 195. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 196. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.

- 197. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive 198. economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 199. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 200. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to 201. uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitors that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to

his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.

- 202. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 203. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 204. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- 205. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 206. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 207. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as

required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information - (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period – the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.

- 208. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 209. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 210. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 211. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 212. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 213. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 214. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.

- 215. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 216. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 217. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 218. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 219. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 220. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 221. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 222. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.

- 223. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 224. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 225. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 226. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 227. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 228. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 230. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 231. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 232. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.

- 233. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 234. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 235. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 236. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 237. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 238. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 239. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 240. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 241. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.

- 242. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 243. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 244. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 245. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 246. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 247. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 248. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 249. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 250. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and

- (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 251. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 252. **MR ASHLEY** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 253. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 254. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 255. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 256. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 257. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 258. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 259. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.

- 260. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 261. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 262. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 263. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 264. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 265. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 266. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 267. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.

- MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 269. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 270. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 271. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 272. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 274. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for onethird of the State's export earnings.
- 275. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.

- 276. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 277. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 278. MR. WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 279. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 280. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 281. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 282. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 283. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 284. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.

- 285. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 286. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 287. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 288. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 289. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 290. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 291. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 292. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 293. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 294. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in

- answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 295. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 296. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 297. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 298. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warmambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 299. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 301. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.

- 302. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 303. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 304. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 305. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 306. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 307. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 308. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 309. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 310. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses

- who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 311. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 312. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 313. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 314. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 315. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 316. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 317. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 318. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 319. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.

- 320. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 321. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 322. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 323. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 324. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 325. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 326. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 327. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- 328. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 329. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 330. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.

- 331. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 332. MR. BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 333. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 334. MR. LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 335. MR. JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 336. MR. HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 337. **MR. PLOWMAN** (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- 338. MR. HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 339. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 340. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 341. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.

- 342. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 343. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 344. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 345. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 346. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 347. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 348. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- 349. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 350. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.
- 351. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.

- 352. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 353. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 354. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Rabbit Buster Initiative* which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 355. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 356. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 357. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 358. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 359. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 360. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report

- entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 361. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 362. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 363. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 364. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 365. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 366. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 367. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 368. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- 369. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 370. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 371. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.

- 372. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 373. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a taperecorded interview.
- 374. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 375. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 376. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 377. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 378. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 379. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.
- 380. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** – Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) – Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community – To be considered (Mr Savage).

- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) - Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).

- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) – Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means – To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question - That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) - Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act - To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) - Praying that - (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the

community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service – To be considered (*Mr Cunningham*).

- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) - Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) - Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access

- to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. **MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).

- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- 44. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).

- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means - To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- *51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

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TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN - Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- **FEDERAL STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) –** Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Bracks, Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

Mr Speaker takes the Chair at Two o'clock

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading.
- 2. WATER ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- 3. SUPERANNUATION ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 4. GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUATION BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 5. **EDUCATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Delahunty).
- 6. FAIR TRADING BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 7. SURVEILLANCE DEVICES BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 8. SENTENCING (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary
 Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more
 socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health
 and education.
- 3. MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- 4. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.

- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 6. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 7. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- 8. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 10. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 11. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- 12. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 13. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 14. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.

- 15. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 16. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 17. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 18. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 19. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 20. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 21. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 23. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 24. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 25. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.

- 26. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 27. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 28. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 29. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 30. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 32. MR HAMILTON –To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 33. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 34. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 35. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 36. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 37. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.

- 39. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 40. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 41. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 42. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 43. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 44. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 45. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 46. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 47. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 48. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 49. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.

- 50. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 51. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 52. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 53. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 54. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 55. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 56. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 57. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 58. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 59. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 60. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.

- 61. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 62. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 63. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 64. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 65. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 66. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 67. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 68. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 69. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 70. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.

- 71. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 72. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 73. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 74. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 75. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 76. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 77. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 78. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 79. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 80. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 81. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 82. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.

- 83. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 84. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 85. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 86. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 87. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 88. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 89. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 90. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 91. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 92. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 93. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.

- 94. **MR ANDRIGHETTO** To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 95. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 96. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 98. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 99. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 101. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post- natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 103. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.

- 104. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 105. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 106. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 107. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 108. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 110. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- 111. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.

- 112. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 113. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 114. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 115. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 116. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 117. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and 118. Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful

- misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 119. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 120. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 121. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 122. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 123. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 124. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 125. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.

- 127. **MR HULLS** To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 128. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 129. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 130. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 131. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 132. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 133. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 134. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 135. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 136. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 137. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 138. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal-National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.

- 139. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 142. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 143. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 144. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor- General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor- General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 145. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 146. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 147. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.

- 148. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 149. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 150. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 151. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 152. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 153. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 154. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 155. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 156. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 157. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.

- 158. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 159. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 160. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 161. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-tovote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 163. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi- sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 165. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 166. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 167. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south– east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures

indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.

- 169. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- 170. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 171. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an ad hoc service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.

- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 177. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 178. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 179. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 180. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 181. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.

- 182. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 183. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 184. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 185. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 186. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 187. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 188. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 189. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 190. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 191. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process

of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.

- 192. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 193. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 194. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 195. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 196. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 197. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- 198. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.

- 199. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 200. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- 201. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill: (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitions that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.
- 202. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 203. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.

- 204. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the 205. Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 206. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 207. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 208. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- 209. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of

the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.

- 210. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 211. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 212. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 213. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 214. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 215. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 216. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 217. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 218. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters,

- and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 219. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 220. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 221. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 222. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 223. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 224. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 225. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 226. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 227. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.

- 228. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 230. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 231. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 232. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 233. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 234. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 235. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.

- 236. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 237. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 238. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 239. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 240. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 241. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 242. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 243. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 244. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.

- 245. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 246. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 247. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 248. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 249. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 250. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 251. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 252. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 253. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.

- 254. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 255. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 256. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 257. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 258. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 259. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 260. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 261. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 262. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country

- Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 263. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 264. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 265. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 266. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 267. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 268. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 269. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 270. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.

- 271. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 272. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 274. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 275. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 276. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 277. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 278. MR. WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.

- 279. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 280. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 281. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 282. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 283. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 284. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 285. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 286. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 287. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.

- 288. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 289. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 290. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 291. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 292. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 293. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 294. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 295. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 296. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.

- 297. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 298. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 299. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 301. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 302. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 303. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 304. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.

- 305. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 306. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 307. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 308. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 309. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 310. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 311. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 312. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 313. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.

- 314. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 315. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 316. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 317. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 318. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 319. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 320. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 321. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 322. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 323. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.

- 324. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 325. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 326. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 327. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- 328. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 329. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 330. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 331. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 332. MR. BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 333. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 334. MR. LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.

- 335. MR. JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 336. MR. HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 337. MR. PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- 338. MR. HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 339. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 340. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 341. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 342. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 343. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 344. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 345. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.

- 346. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 347. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 348. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- 349. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 350. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.
- 351. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 352. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 353. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 354. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Rabbit Buster Initiative* which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 355. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 356. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.

- 357. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 359. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 360. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 361. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 362. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 363. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 364. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.

- 365. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 366. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 367. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 368. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- 369. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 370. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 371. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 372. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 373. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a taperecorded interview.
- 374. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 375. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.

- 376. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 377. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 378. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 379. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.
- 380. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) – Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community – To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) - Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY Petition presented by the Member for Narracan
 (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and
 staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality

- education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means - To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).

- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less

- individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) - Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)

- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. **MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West

- Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. **MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- 43. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 44. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 45. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).

- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST -** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- *52. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAY

THURSDAY, 29 APRIL 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- RURAL FINANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Bracks).
- 2. STATE TRUSTEES (STATE OWNED COMPANY) (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Bracks).
- 3. FAIR TRADING (INSPECTORS POWERS AND OTHER AMENDMENTS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).

4. THE CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

S. J. PLOWMAN

Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Bracks, Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House). Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

Mr Speaker takes the Chair at Ten o'clock

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary
 Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more
 socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health
 and education.
- MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- 4. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 6. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling
 the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling
 mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.

- 10. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 11. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- 12. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 13. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 14. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 15. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 16. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 17. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 18. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.

- 19. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 20. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 21. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 22. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 23. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 24. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 25. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 26. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 27. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 28. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 29. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 30. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.

- 32. MR HAMILTON –To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 33. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 34. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 35. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 36. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 37. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 38. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 39. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 40. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 41. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 42. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 43. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.

- 44. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 45. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 46. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 47. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 48. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 49. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 50. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 51. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 52. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 53. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.

- 54. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 55. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 56. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 57. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 58. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 59. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 60. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 61. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 62. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 63. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 64. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 65. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a

- tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 66. **MR TREASURE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 67. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 68. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 69. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 70. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 71. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 72. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 73. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 74. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 75. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney- General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.

- 76. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 77. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 78. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 79. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 80. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 81. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 82. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 83. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 84. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 85. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 86. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.

- 87. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 88. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 89. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 90. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 91. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 92. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 93. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 94. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 95. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 96. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 98. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds

- and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 99. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 100. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 101. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 103. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 104. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 105. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 106. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 107. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 108. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.

- 109. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 110. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- 111. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 112. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 113. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 114. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 115. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 117. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had

"used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.

- 118. MR HAERMEYER - To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 119. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 120. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation Bushfire Blitz, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 121. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 122. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.

- 123. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 124. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 125. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 126. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 127. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 128. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 129. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 130. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre- selection process.
- 131. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.

- 132. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 133. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 134. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 135. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 136. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 137. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 138. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal-National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 139. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 142. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made

from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to — (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.

- 143. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 144. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor- General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor- General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 145. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 146. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 147. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 148. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 149. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 150. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 151. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.

- 152. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 153. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 154. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 155. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 156. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 157. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 158. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 159. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 160. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 161. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.

- 162. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-to-vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 163. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 165. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 166. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 167. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 168. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 169. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.

- MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 171. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an ad hoc service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 177. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".

- 178. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 179. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 180. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 181. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 182. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 183. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 184. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.

- 185. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 186. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 187. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 188. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 189. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 190. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 191. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 192. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 193. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.

- 194. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 195. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 196. **MR FINN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 197. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive 198. economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 199. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 200. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- 201. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the

Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitions that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.

- 202. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 203. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 204. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- 205. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of

- whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 206. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 207. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 208. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 209. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 210. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 211. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.

- 212. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 213. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 214. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 215. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 216. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 217. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 218. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 219. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 220. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing

- schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 221. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 222. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 223. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 224. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 225. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 226. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 227. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 228. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 230. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.

- 231. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 232. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 233. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 234. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 235. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 236. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 237. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 238. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.

- 239. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 240. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 241. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 242. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 243. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 244. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 245. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 246. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 247. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

- 248. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 249. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 250. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 251. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 252. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 253. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 254. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 255. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 256. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.

- 257. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 258. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 259. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 260. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 261. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 262. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 263. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 264. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 265. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.

- 266. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 267. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 268. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 269. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 270. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 271. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 272. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.

- 274. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 275. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 276. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 277. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 278. MR. WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 279. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 280. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 281. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.

- 282. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 283. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 284. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 285. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 286. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 287. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 288. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 289. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 290. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 291. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.

- 292. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 293. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 294. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 295. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 296. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 297. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 298. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 299. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.

- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 301. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 302. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 303. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 304. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 305. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 306. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 307. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.

- 308. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 309. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 310. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 311. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 312. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 313. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 314. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 315. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 316. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the

- telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 317. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 318. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 319. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 320. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 321. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 322. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 323. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 324. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 325. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 326. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 327. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.

- 328. **MR HAMILTON** To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 329. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 330. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 331. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 332. MR. BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 333. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 334. MR. LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 335. MR. JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 336. MR. HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 337. **MR. PLOWMAN** (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.

- 338. MR. HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 339. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 340. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 341. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 342. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 343. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 344. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 345. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 346. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 347. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 348. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.

- 349. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 350. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.
- 351. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 352. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 353. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 354. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Rabbit Buster Initiative* which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 355. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 356. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 357. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the

- Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 359. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 360. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 361. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 362. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 363. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 364. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 365. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 366. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 367. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 368. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.

- 369. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 370. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 371. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 372. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 373. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a tape-recorded interview.
- 374. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 375. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 376. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 377. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 378. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 379. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.

- 380. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- *381. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- *382. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- *383. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- *384. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- *385. **MR SMITH** (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- *386. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- *387. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- *388. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- *389. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.

- *390. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- *391. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- *392. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.
- *393. DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) – Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community – To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) - Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).

- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. **METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.

- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West
 (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council,
 Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG Petition presented by the Member for
 Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the
 Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg

between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed -

- To be considered (Mr Langdon).
 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).

- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) - Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. **ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)

- 32. MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 42. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (12 November 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 43. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 44. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) – Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria – To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority - To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 51. LANG LANG POLICE STATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) - Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- *53. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- *1. MR KENNETT To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to apply certain laws of the Commonwealth relating to the New Tax System Price Exploitation Code as laws of Victoria, to make a consequential amendment to the Competition Policy Reform (Victoria) Act 1995 and for other purposes.
- *2. MR MACLELLAN (*Pakenham*) To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Local Government Act 1989 to permit the Melbourne City Council to continue to apply differential rates and for other purposes.
- *3. MR McGRATH (Wimmera) To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Police Regulation Act 1958 and the Firearms Act 1996 and for other purposes.
- *4. MRS TEHAN To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Shrine of Remembrance Act 1978 and for other purposes.
- *5. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Guardianship and Administration Act 1986 and the Mental Health Act 1986 and for other purposes.
- *6. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the reform of the financial sector, to amend and repeal the Financial Institutions (Victoria)

- Act 1992 and the Friendly Societies (Victoria) Act 1996 and to amend the Co-operative Housing Societies Act 1958 and certain other Acts and for other purposes.
- *7. DR NAPTHINE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Mental Health Act 1986 in respect of community support services, to establish a quality assurance committee and for other purposes.
- *8. DR NAPTHINE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make further provision for the registration of dental care providers and investigations into the professional conduct and fitness to practise of registered dental care providers, to regulate dental care services, to establish a Dental Practice Board of Victoria and a Dental Practice Board Fund, to repeal the Dentists Act 1972 and the Dental Technicians Act 1972 and for other purposes.
- *9. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make miscellaneous amendments to the Stamps Act 1958 and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. WATER ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Maughan).
- EDUCATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Delahunty).
- 3. **FAIR TRADING BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 4. SURVEILLANCE DEVICES BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 5. SENTENCING (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 6. LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading.

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAY

THURSDAY, 29 APRIL 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. RURAL FINANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Bracks).
- 2. STATE TRUSTEES (STATE OWNED COMPANY) (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Bracks).

- 3. FAIR TRADING (INSPECTORS POWERS AND OTHER AMENDMENTS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 4. THE CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

S. J. PLOWMAN

Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- **FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) –** Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Bracks, Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. SURVEILLANCE DEVICES BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 2. SENTENCING (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 3. **FAIR TRADING BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate.
- 4. EDUCATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate on the question That this Bill be now read a second time and on the amendment That all the words after "That" be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words "this House refuses to read this Bill a second time until such time as the Government provides a guarantee that a professional teaching qualification is the central criterion in assessing the efficiency of all applicants for teaching positions in all schools" (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading.
- *6. NEW TAX SYSTEM PRICE EXPLOITATION CODE (VICTORIA) BILL Second reading.
- *7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MELBOURNE CITY COUNCIL RATES) BILL Second reading.
- *8. POLICE REGULATION AND FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *9. SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *10. GUARDIANSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *11. FINANCIAL SECTOR REFORM (VICTORIA) BILL Second reading.
- *12. MENTAL HEALTH (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *13. DENTAL PRACTICE BILL Second reading.
- *14. STAMPS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary
 Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more
 socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health
 and education.
- 2. MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- 3. **MR BATCHELOR** To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 5. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling
 the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling
 mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 9. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 10. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- 11. **MR HULLS** To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.

- 12. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 13. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 14. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 15. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 16. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 17. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 18. MR McLELLAN (*Frankston East*) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 19. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.

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- MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the 20. Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its 21. incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued 22.
- excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of 23. support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and

community services.

- MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- MS GARBUTT To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to 25. sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities. MR TREASURE - To move, That this House commends the Government for its 26.

commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership

- Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees. 27. MR BRACKS - To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law
- rights. 28. MS BURKE - To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 29. MS KOSKY - To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their 30. mismanagement of public housing.
- MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to 31. maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 32. 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 33. MS KOSKY - To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.

- 34. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 35. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 36. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 37. **MR HULLS** To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 38. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 39. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 40. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 41. **MR DIXON** To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 42. **MR BRUMBY** To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 43. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 44. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.

- 45. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 46. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 47. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 48. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 49. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 50. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 51. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 52. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 53. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 54. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 55. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.

- 56. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 57. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 58. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 59. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 60. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 61. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 62. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 63. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 64. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 65. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 66. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 67. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 68. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to

public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow— outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.

- 69. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 70. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 71. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 72. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 73. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 74. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 75. **MR SMITH** (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 76. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 77. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 78. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.

- 79. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 80. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 81. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 82. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 83. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 84. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 85. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 86. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 87. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 88. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 89. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.

- 90. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 91. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 92. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 93. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 94. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 95. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 97. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 98. **MRS MADDIGAN** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 99. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 100. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales

- Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 101. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 102. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 103. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 104. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 105. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 106. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 107. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.

- 109. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co— operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 111. **MR COLEMAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 112. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 113. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 114. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 115. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 116. MR HAERMEYER - To move, That this House -(a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- 117. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and

drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.

- 118. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 119. **MR LUPTON** To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 120. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 121. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 123. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.

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- 124. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians.
 - Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate
- Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.

 125. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC,

for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so

for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for

MR HAERMEYER - To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for

- that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
 MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 127. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member
 - continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
 MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre- selection
- 130. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 131. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace
- 132. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 133. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.

 134. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in

- 135. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 136. MR CAMERON To imove, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 137. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 138. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 139. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 142. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 143. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor- General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor- General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".

- 144. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 145. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 146. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 147. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 148. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 149. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 150. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 151. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 152. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 153. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.

- 154. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 155. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 156. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 157. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 158. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 159. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 160. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 161. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how—to vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi- sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.

- 164. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 165. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 166. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 167. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993–97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- 169. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to

hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.

- 170. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 171. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.

- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 177. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 178. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.

- 179. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
 - 180. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 181. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 182. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 183. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 184. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 185. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 186. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 187. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.

- 189. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 190. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 191. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 192. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 193. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 194. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 195. **MR FINN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 196. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- 197. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk

of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.

- 198. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 199. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to 200. uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitions that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.
- 201. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 202. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the

receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court – sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns – so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.

- 203. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the 204. Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 205. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 206. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 207. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- 208. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests)

Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.

- 209. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 210. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 211. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 212. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 213. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 214. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 215. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 216. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of

Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.

- 217. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 218. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 219. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 220. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 221. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 222. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 223. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.

- 224. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 225. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 226. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 227. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 228. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 230. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 231. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 232. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 233. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.

- 234. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 235. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 236. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 237. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 238. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 239. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 240. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 241. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.

- 242. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 243. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 244. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 245. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 246. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 247. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 248. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 249. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 250. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover

- pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 251. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 252. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 253. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 254. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 255. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 256. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 257. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 258. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 259. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.

- 260. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 261. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 262. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 263. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 264. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 265. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 266. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 267. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.

- 268. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 269. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 270. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 271. **MRS PEULICH** To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- 272. MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 273. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 274. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 275. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.

- 276. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 277. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 278. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 279. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 280. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 281. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 282. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 283. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 284. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 285. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and

- inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 286. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 287. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 288. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 289. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 290. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 291. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 292. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 294. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.

- 295. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 296. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 297. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 298. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 299. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 300. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 301. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 302. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states

that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.

- 303. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 304. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 305. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 306. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 307. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 308. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 309. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 310. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.

- 311. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 312. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 313. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 314. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 315. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 316. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 317. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 318. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 319. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 320. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.

- 321. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 322. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 323. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 324. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 325. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 326. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- 327. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 328. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 329. **MR THWAITES** To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 330. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 331. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.

- 332. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 333. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 334. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 335. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 336. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- 337. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 338. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 339. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 340. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 341. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 342. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.

- 343. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 344. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 345. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 346. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 347. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- 348. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 349. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.
- 350. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 351. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 352. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.

- 353. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Rabbit Buster Initiative* which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 354. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 355. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 356. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 357. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 358. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 359. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 360. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 361. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.

- 362. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 363. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 364. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 365. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 366. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 367. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- 368. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 369. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 370. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 371. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 372. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment;

- and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a tape-recorded interview.
- 373. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 374. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 375. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 376. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 377. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 378. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.
- 379. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 380. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 381. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 382. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.

- 383. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 384. **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 385. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 386. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 387. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 388. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 389. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 390. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 391. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.
- 392. DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- *393. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.

- *394. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- *395. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- *396. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) - Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) – Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria – To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).

- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).

- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. **COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK** Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).

- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. STEEL-JAWED TRAPS Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. **KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).

- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) - Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government - To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) - Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip - To be considered (Ms Garbutt).

- 41. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (*Mr Cameron*).
- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 46. **PLANNING DECISIONS** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means - To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 50. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 53. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- *54. PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAY

THURSDAY, 29 APRIL 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. RURAL FINANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Bracks).
- 2. STATE TRUSTEES (STATE OWNED COMPANY) (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Bracks).
- 3. **FAIR TRADING (INSPECTORS POWERS AND OTHER AMENDMENTS) BILL** Second reading *Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).*
- 4. THE CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- *PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

Mr Speaker takes the Chair at Two o'clock

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

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- 4. THE CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education.
- 2. MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating
 policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system
 and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- 4. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 5. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a

- Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 6. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- 7. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 9. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 10. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- 11. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 12. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 13. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 14. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 15. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.

- 16. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 17. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 18. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 19. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 20. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 21. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 22. **MR SPRY** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 23. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 24. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 25. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 26. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 27. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.

- 28. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 29. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 30. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 31. MR HAMILTON –To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 32. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 33. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 34. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 35. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 36. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 37. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 38. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 39. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 40. **MR RYAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.

- 41. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 42. **MR BRUMBY** To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 43. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 44. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 45. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 46. **MR MILDENHALL** To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 47. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 48. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 49. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 50. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.

- 51. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 52. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 53. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 54. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 55. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 56. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 57. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 58. **MRS MADDIGAN** To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 59. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 60. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 61. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.

- 62. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 63. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 64. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 65. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 66. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 67. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 68. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 69. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 70. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 71. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.

- 72. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 73. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 74. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 75. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 76. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 77. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 78. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 79. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 80. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 81. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 82. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 83. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian

Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.

- 84. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 85. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 86. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 87. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 88. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 89. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 90. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 91. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 92. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 93. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 94. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.

- 95. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- 96. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 97. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 98. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 99. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 100. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964– 1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post- natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 102. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 103. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.

- 105. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 106. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 107. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- 108. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 109. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co- operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 111. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 112. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 113. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.

- 114. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 115. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 116. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and 117. Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 118. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 119. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.

- 120. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 121. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 122. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 123. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 124. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 125. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 126. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 127. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 128. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.

- 129. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 *Sunday* program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 130. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 131. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 132. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 133. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 134. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 135. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 136. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 137. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal-National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 138. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 139. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government

- agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 142. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 143. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 144. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 145. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 146. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 147. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 148. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 149. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.

- 150. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 151. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 152. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 153. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 154. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 155. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 156. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 157. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 158. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 159. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.

- 160. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 161. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how– to–vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 162. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- 163. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor- General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 164. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 165. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 166. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 167. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 168. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between

- 1993–97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 170. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 171. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".

- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 177. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 178. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 179. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 180. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 181. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 182. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 183. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training

- Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 184. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 185. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 186. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 187. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 189. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 190. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 191. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.

- 192. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 193. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 194. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 195. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 196. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- 197. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 198. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 199. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.

- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to 200. uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitions that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.
- 201. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 202. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 203. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- 204. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation

to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.

- 205. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 206. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 207. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 208. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 209. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 210. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.

- 211. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 212. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 213. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 214. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 215. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 216. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 217. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 218. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 219. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing

schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.

- 220. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 221. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 222. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 223. **MR HAERMEYER** To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 224. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 225. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 226. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 227. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 228. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.

- 230. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 231. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 232. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 233. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 234. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 235. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 236. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 237. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.

- 238. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 239. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 240. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 241. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 242. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 243. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 244. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 245. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 246. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

- 247. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 248. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 249. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 250. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 251. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 252. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 253. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 254. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 255. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.

- 256. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 257. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 258. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 259. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 260. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 261. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 262. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 263. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 264. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.

- 265. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 266. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 267. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 268. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 269. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 270. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 271. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.

- 273. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 274. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 275. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 276. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 277. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 278. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 279. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 280. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.

- 281. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 282. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 283. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 284. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 285. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 286. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 287. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 288. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 289. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 290. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.

- 291. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 292. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 293. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 294. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 295. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 296. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 297. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 298. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.

- 299. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 300. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 301. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 302. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 303. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 304. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 305. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 306. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.

- 307. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 308. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 309. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 310. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 311. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 312. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 313. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 314. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 315. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the

- telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 316. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 317. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 318. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 319. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 320. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 321. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 322. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 323. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 324. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 325. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 326. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.

- 327. **MR HAMILTON** To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 328. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 329. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 330. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 331. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 332. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 333. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 334. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 335. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 336. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.

- 337. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 338. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 339. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 340. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 341. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 342. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 343. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 344. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 345. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 346. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 347. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.

- 348. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 349. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.
- 350. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 351. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 352. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 353. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the Rabbit Buster Initiative which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 354. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 355. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 356. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 357. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the

- Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 358. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 359. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 360. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 361. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 362. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 363. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 364. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 365. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 366. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 367. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.

- 368. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 369. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 370. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 371. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 372. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a taperecorded interview.
- 373. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 374. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 375. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 376. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 377. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 378. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.

- 379. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 380. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 381. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 382. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 383. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 384. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 385. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 386. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 387. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 388. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 389. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.

- 390. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 391. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.
- 392. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 393. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 394. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 395. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 396. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.
- *397. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- *398. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- *399. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- *400. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly

- announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.
- *401. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.
- *402. **MS DAVIES** To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- *403. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- *404. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.
- *405. **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) – Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria – To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the

independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (*Mr Carli*).

- BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) – Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry – To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. **COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK** Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).

- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs. Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs. Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. **KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (*Mr Brumby*).
- 28. PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).

- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).

- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 42. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 43. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 44. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 45. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).

- 46. **PLANNING DECISIONS** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 53. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).
- *55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation

- will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (*Mr Andrianopoulos*).
- *56. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority To be considered (*Ms Davies*).
- *57. **CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM** Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAY

THURSDAY, 6 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- 2. **NEW TAX SYSTEM PRICE EXPLOITATION CODE (VICTORIA) BILL –** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- 3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MELBOURNE CITY COUNCIL RATES) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- 4. POLICE REGULATION AND FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- 5. SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- 6. **GUARDIANSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mrs Campbell).
- 7. FINANCIAL SECTOR REFORM (VICTORIA) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 8. **MENTAL HEALTH (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading *Resumption of debate* (*Mr Hulls*).
- 9. **DENTAL PRACTICE BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

10. STAMPS (AMENDMENT) BILL – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

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- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT)** Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex-officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

Mr Speaker takes the Chair at Ten o'clock

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education.
- 2. MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating
 policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system
 and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- 4. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 5. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling
 the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling
 mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 9. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.

- 10. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- 11. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 12. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 13. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 14. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 15. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 16. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 17. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 18. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 19. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the

- Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 20. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 21. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 22. **MR SPRY** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 23. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 24. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 25. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 26. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 27. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 28. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 29. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 30. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 31. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.

- 32. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 33. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 34. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 35. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 36. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 37. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 38. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 39. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 40. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 41. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 42. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 43. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.

- 44. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 45. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 46. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 47. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 48. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 49. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 50. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 51. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 52. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 53. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.

- 54. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 55. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 56. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 57. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 58. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 59. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 60. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 61. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 62. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 63. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 64. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.

- 65. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 66. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 67. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 68. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 69. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 70. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four—week and eight—week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 71. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 72. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 73. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 74. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.

- 75. **MR SMITH** (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 76. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 77. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 78. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 79. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 80. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 81. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 82. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 83. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 84. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 85. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.

- 86. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 87. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 88. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 89. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 90. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 91. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 92. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 93. **MR ANDRIGHETTO** To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 94. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 95. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 97. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds

- and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 98. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 99. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 100. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 101. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 102. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 103. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 104. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 105. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 106. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 107. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.

- 108. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 109. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- 110. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 111. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 112. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 113. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 114. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 115. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 116. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had

"used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.

- 117. MR HAERMEYER - To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 119. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation Bushfire Blitz, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 120. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 121. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.

- 122. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 123. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 124. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 125. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 126. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 127. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre- selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by- elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 128. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 129. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre- selection process.
- 130. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.

- 131. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 132. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 133. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 134. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 135. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 136. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 137. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal-National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 138. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 139. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made

from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to - (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.

- 142. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 143. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 144. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 145. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 146. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 147. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 148. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 149. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 150. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.

- 151. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 152. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 153. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 154. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 155. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 156. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 157. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 158. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 159. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 160. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.

- 161. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-to-vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 162. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- 163. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 164. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 165. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 166. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 167. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 168. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.

- MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 170. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 171. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 177. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian

ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.

- 178. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 179. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 180. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 181. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 182. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 183. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 184. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.

- 185. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 186. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 187. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 189. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 191. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 192. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 193. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.

- 194. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 195. **MR FINN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 196. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive 197. economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 198. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 199. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- 200. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State

Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitors that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.

- 201. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 202. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 203. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the 204. Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.

- 205. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 206. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 207. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 208. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 209. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 210. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 211. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".

- 212. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 213. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 214. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 215. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 216. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 217. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 218. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 219. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.

- 220. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 221. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 222. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 223. **MR HAERMEYER** To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 224. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 225. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 226. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 227. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 228. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 230. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding

from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.

- 231. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 232. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 233. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 234. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 235. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 236. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 237. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 238. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.

- 239. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 240. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 241. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 242. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 243. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 244. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 245. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 246. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 247. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.

- 248. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 249. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 250. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 251. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 252. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 253. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 254. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 255. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 256. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.

- 257. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 258. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 259. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 260. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 261. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 262. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 263. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 264. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 265. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a

- public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 266. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 267. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 268. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 269. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 270. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 271. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 273. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.

- 274. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 275. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 276. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 277. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 278. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 279. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 280. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 281. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.

- 282. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 283. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 284. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 285. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 286. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 287. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 288. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 289. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 290. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 291. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 292. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.

- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 294. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 295. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 296. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 297. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 298. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 299. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the

- facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 300. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 301. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 302. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 303. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 304. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 305. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 306. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 307. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.

- 308. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 309. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 310. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 311. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 312. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 313. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 314. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 315. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.

- 316. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 317. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 318. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 319. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 320. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 321. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 322. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 323. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 324. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 325. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 326. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.

- 327. **MR HAMILTON** To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 328. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 329. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 330. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 331. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 332. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 333. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 334. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 335. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 336. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.

- 337. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 338. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 339. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 340. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 341. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 342. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 343. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 344. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 345. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 346. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 347. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.

- 348. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 349. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the Play it Safe by the Water campaign and the Life Saving into the 21st Century program.
- 350. **MS KOSKY** To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 351. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 352. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 353. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the Rabbit Buster Initiative which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 354. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 355. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 356. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 357. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the

Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.

- 358. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 359. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 360. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 361. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 362. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 363. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 364. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 365. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 366. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 367. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.

- 368. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 369. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 370. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 371. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 372. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a taperecorded interview.
- 373. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 374. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 375. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 376. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 377. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 378. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.

- 379. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 380. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 381. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 382. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 383. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 384. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 385. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 386. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 387. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 388. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 389. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.

- 390. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 391. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.
- 392. DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 393. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 394. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 395. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 396. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.
- 397. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- 398. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- 399. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- 400. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant

- that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.
- 401. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.
- 402. MS DAVIES To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- 403. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- 404. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.
- 405. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.
- *406. **MR HAERMEYER** To move, That this House condemns the Premier for attempting to defraud the Victorian electorate by promising 400 additional police when at \$20 million per year, he is only providing ongoing funding for 235.
- *407. MR LEAN To move, That the Government be commended for the *Bringing the Bay to Life Initiative* which will help to protect and enhance Port Phillip Bay's wonderful natural assets, provide improved boating and recreational facilities and encourage sensitive development opportunities where appropriate.
- *408. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for her attempt to close down freedom of information in the State.
- *409. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in joint venture housing projects with local government and community groups to provide improved housing for older Victorians.

- *410. **MR HAERMEYER** To move, That this House condemns the Premier for deliberately deceiving the Victorian people in 1992 for promising to increase police numbers by "more than 1000 to 11,000" when he has in fact cut police numbers by more than 800 since 1996, while crime has continued to rise year after year.
- *411. MR TREASURE To move, That this House applauds the Government's timely and thorough response to addressing the social and economic problems caused by extensive flooding in Gippsland and North East Victoria.
- *412. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the Premier's promise to increase police numbers by a purported 400 police and condemns the Premier for gross deceit and breathtaking egoism given that (a) by the time the first of any of these police would graduate from the Police Academy the number of police will be down to 9380; and (b) the addition of 400 officers will leave police strength at 9780, only 130 more than at the moment, more than 500 less than three years ago and 1280 short of his earlier promise of 11,000.
- *413. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program to reform and streamline Victoria's planning processes and commends municipal councils for their endeavours to implement new planning schemes.
- *414. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes that none of the Kennett Government's promises of 400 additional police will be delivered before the forthcoming election and also notes that the Premier has deceived the electorate with such false promises before and accordingly condemns the Kennett Government for gross dishonesty towards the Victorian people.
- *415. MR SPRY To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts for improving access to the arts for all Victorians and for promoting the arts as a key part of the lives of all Victorians.
- *416. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the privatisation-crazed Minister for Transport for causing 400 country workers to lose their jobs on Friday, 30 April 1999 as part of the Government's anti-country privatisation of V/Line Freight.
- *417. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the commitment of \$102 million annually to boost literacy in the crucial first three years of primary school through the *Early Years Literacy Program* which has created 1000 new classroom teaching jobs, many of which will be filled this year by bright, young graduate teachers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) - Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) – Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria – To be considered (Mr Savage).

- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. **METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).

- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (*Mr Cameron*).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) - Praying that - (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the

- community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (*Mr Cunningham*).
- 20. **COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (*Mr Carli*).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).

- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. **ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).

- 36. **ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) - Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip - To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 42. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 43. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (*Mr Cameron*).

- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 53. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).

- 55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (Mr Andrianopoulos).
- 56. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 57. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).
- *58. **RACIAL DISCRIMINATION** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (4 May 1999)

 Praying that the Government immediately launches an investigation in relation to occurrences of racial abuse and vilification generally, particularly in respect of Captain Frank and Elisabeth Staberhofer of Captain's Lodge International Motel, Sale To be considered (Mr Hamilton).

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- *1. MR COOPER To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Rail Corporations Act 1996, the Transport Act 1983, the Public Transport Competition Act 1995 and certain other Acts and for other purposes.
- *2. MR KENNETT To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to request the amendment of the Australia Acts 1986 in connection with proposed constitutional arrangements to establish the Commonwealth of Australia as a republic.
- *3. MR McNAMARA To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Food Act 1984 and for other purposes.
- *4. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the administration and operation of State taxing laws that are applied as Commonwealth laws in relation to Commonwealth places, to make consequential amendments to State taxing laws and for other purposes.
- *5. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Debits Tax Act 1990, the Financial Institutions Duty Act 1982, the Gaming Machine Control Act 1991, the Pay-roll Tax Act 1971, the Stamps Act 1958, the Tattersall Consultations Act 1958, the Taxation Administration Act 1997 and the Taxation (Interest on Overpayments) Act 1986 and for other purposes.

- *6. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Electricity Industry Act 1993 and the Electricity Safety Act 1998 and for other purposes.
- *7. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make further amendments to the Gas Industry Act 1994, the Gas Pipelines Access (Victoria) Act 1998, the Gas Safety Act 1997 and certain other Acts and for other purposes.
- *8. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to interactive gaming, to make certain consequential amendments and for other purposes.
- *9. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Prostitution Control Act 1994, the Summary Offences Act 1966 and the Confiscation Act 1997 and for other purposes.
- *10. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to improve the efficiency of criminal trials, to amend the Crimes Act 1958, the Evidence Act 1958, the Magistrates' Court Act 1989 and the Sentencing Act 1991, to repeal the Crimes (Criminal Trials) Act 1993 and for other purposes.
- *11. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Estate Agents Act 1980 and the Fundraising Appeals Act 1998 and for other purposes.
- *12. MRS WADE To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Freedom of Information Act 1982 with respect to the disclosure of documents affecting personal privacy, to make a consequential amendment to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal Act 1998 and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- THE CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MELBOURNE CITY COUNCIL RATES) BILL Second reading
 — Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- 3. **MENTAL HEALTH (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 4. STAMPS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- *5. AMBULANCE SERVICES (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL (from Council) Second reading.

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAY

THURSDAY, 6 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- 2. NEW TAX SYSTEM PRICE EXPLOITATION CODE (VICTORIA) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- 3. POLICE REGULATION AND FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- GUARDIANSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mrs Campbell).
- 6. FINANCIAL SECTOR REFORM (VICTORIA) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 7. **DENTAL PRACTICE BILL** Second reading *Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls)*.
- *8. **APPROPRIATION (1999/2000) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Bracks).
- *9. **APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT 1999/2000) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex-officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- 2. APPROPRIATION (1999/2000) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Bracks).
- 3. APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT 1999/2000) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).
- *4. RAIL CORPORATIONS AND TRANSPORT ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *5. AUSTRALIA ACTS (REQUEST) BILL Second reading.
- *6. FOOD (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *7. COMMONWEALTH PLACES (MIRROR TAXES ADMINISTRATION) BILL Second reading.
- *8. STATE TAXATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *9. ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *10. GAS INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *11. INTERACTIVE GAMING (PLAYER PROTECTION) BILL Second reading.
- *12. PROSTITUTION CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *13. CRIMES (CRIMINAL TRIALS) BILL Second reading.
- *14. ESTATE AGENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *15. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- 16. LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).

- 17. NEW TAX SYSTEM PRICE EXPLOITATION CODE (VICTORIA) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- 18. POLICE REGULATION AND FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- 19. **GUARDIANSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mrs Campbell).
- 20. FINANCIAL SECTOR REFORM (VICTORIA) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 21. **DENTAL PRACTICE BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating
 policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system
 and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 4. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 5. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling
 the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling
 mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- 7. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 8. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support

- for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 9. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- 10. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 11. **MR FINN** To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 12. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 13. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 14. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 15. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 16. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 17. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.

- 18. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 19. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 21. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 22. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 23. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 24. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 25. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 26. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 27. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 28. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 29. **MS KOSKY** To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 30. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.

- 31. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 33. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 34. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 35. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998– 99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 36. **MR HULLS** To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 37. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 38. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 39. **MR RYAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 40. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 41. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 42. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.

- 43. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 44. **MR BRUMBY** To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 45. **MR MILDENHALL** To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 46. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 47. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 48. **MR WELLS** To move, That this House commends the Government for the *FReeZA* program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 49. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 50. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 51. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 52. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 53. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by

- parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 54. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 55. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 56. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 57. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 58. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 59. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 60. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 61. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 62. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 63. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 64. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.

- 65. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 66. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 67. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 68. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 69. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 70. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 71. **MR LIM** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 72. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 73. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 74. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 75. **MR BRACKS** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.

- 76. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 77. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 78. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 79. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 80. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 81. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 82. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 83. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 84. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 85. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 86. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.

- 87. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 88. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 89. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 90. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 91. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 92. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 93. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 94. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 96. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 97. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.

- 98. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 99. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 100. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post- natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 101. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 102. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 103. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 104. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 105. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 106. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- 107. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State

Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub- lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co- operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.

- 108. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co- operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 110. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 111. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 112. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 113. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 114. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 115. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping

instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.

- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and 116. Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 117. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 118. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation Bushfire Blitz, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 119. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 120. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 121. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.

- 122. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 123. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 124. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 125. **MR HULLS** To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 127. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 128. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 129. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 130. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal- National Coalition to embrace a Hanson- Kennett political ticket.
- 131. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.

- 132. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 133. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 134. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 135. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 136. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 137. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 138. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 139. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.

- 141. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 142. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 143. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 144. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 145. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 146. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 147. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 148. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 149. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 150. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 151. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving

manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.

- 152. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 153. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 154. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 155. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 156. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 157. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 158. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 159. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 160. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how– to-vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 161. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi- sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.

- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 163. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 164. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 165. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 166. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 167. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- 168. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 169. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former

- Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 170. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 171. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the

- Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 177. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 178. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 179. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 180. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 181. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 182. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 183. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 184. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 185. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.

- 186. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 187. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 188. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 189. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 190. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 191. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 192. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 193. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 194. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 195. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.

- 196. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters. including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 197. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 198. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to 199. uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competition that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.

- 200. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 201. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 202. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the 203. Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 204. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 205. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and

- in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 206. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 207. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 208. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 209. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 210. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 211. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 212. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 213. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.

- 214. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 215. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 216. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 217. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 218. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 219. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 220. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 221. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.

- 222. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 223. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 224. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 225. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 226. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 227. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 228. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 230. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 231. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.

- 232. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 233. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 234. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 235. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 236. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 237. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 238. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 239. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 240. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.

- 241. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 242. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 243. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 244. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 245. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 246. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 247. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 248. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.

- 249. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 250. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 251. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 252. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 253. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 254. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 255. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 256. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 257. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 258. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its

- words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 259. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 260. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 261. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 262. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 263. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 264. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 265. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 266. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage

- new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 267. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 268. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 269. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 270. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 272. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 273. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 274. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians

- who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 275. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 276. **MR WELLS** To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 277. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 278. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 279. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 280. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 281. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 282. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 283. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.

- 284. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 285. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 286. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 287. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 288. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 289. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 290. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 291. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 292. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.

- 293. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 294. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 295. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 296. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 297. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 298. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 299. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.

- 300. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 301. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 302. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 303. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 304. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 305. **MR PLOWMAN** (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 306. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 307. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 308. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses

- who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 309. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 310. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 311. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 312. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 313. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 314. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 315. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 316. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 317. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.

- 318. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 319. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 320. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 321. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 322. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 323. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 324. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 325. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- 326. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 327. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 328. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.

- 329. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 330. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 331. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 332. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 333. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 334. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 335. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- 336. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 337. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 338. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 339. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.

- 340. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 341. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 342. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 343. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 344. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 345. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 346. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- 347. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 348. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.
- 349. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.

- 350. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 351. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 352. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the Rabbit Buster Initiative which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 353. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 354. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 355. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 356. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 357. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 358. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report

- entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 359. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 360. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 361. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 362. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 363. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 364. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 365. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 366. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- 367. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 368. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 369. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.

- 370. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 371. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a tape-recorded interview.
- 372. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 373. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 374. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 375. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the *Water for Agriculture Initiative* which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 376. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 377. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.
- 378. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 379. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.

- 380. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 381. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 382. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 383. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 384. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 385. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 386. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 387. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 388. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 389. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 390. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.

- 391. DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 392. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 393. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 394. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 395. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.
- 396. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- 397. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- 398. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- 399. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.
- 400. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.

- 401. MS DAVIES To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- 402. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- 403. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.
- 404. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.
- 405. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for attempting to defraud the Victorian electorate by promising 400 additional police when at \$20 million per year, he is only providing ongoing funding for 235.
- 406. MR LEAN To move, That the Government be commended for the *Bringing the Bay to Life Initiative* which will help to protect and enhance Port Phillip Bay's wonderful natural assets, provide improved boating and recreational facilities and encourage sensitive development opportunities where appropriate.
- 407. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for her attempt to close down freedom of information in the State.
- 408. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in joint venture housing projects with local government and community groups to provide improved housing for older Victorians.
- 409. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for deliberately deceiving the Victorian people in 1992 for promising to increase police numbers by "more than 1000 to 11,000" when he has in fact cut police numbers by more than 800 since 1996, while crime has continued to rise year after year.
- 410. MR TREASURE To move, That this House applauds the Government's timely and thorough response to addressing the social and economic problems caused by extensive flooding in Gippsland and North East Victoria.
- 411. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the Premier's promise to increase police numbers by a purported 400 police and condemns the Premier for gross deceit and breathtaking egoism given that (a) by the time the first of any of these police

would graduate from the Police Academy the number of police will be down to 9380; and (b) the addition of 400 officers will leave police strength at 9780, only 130 more than at the moment, more than 500 less than three years ago and 1280 short of his earlier promise of 11,000.

- 412. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program to reform and streamline Victoria's planning processes and commends municipal councils for their endeavours to implement new planning schemes.
- 413. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes that none of the Kennett Government's promises of 400 additional police will be delivered before the forthcoming election and also notes that the Premier has deceived the electorate with such false promises before and accordingly condemns the Kennett Government for gross dishonesty towards the Victorian people.
- 414. MR SPRY To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts for improving access to the arts for all Victorians and for promoting the arts as a key part of the lives of all Victorians.
- 415. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the privatisation-crazed Minister for Transport for causing 400 country workers to lose their jobs on Friday, 30 April 1999 as part of the Government's anti-country privatisation of V/Line Freight.
- 416. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the commitment of \$102 million annually to boost literacy in the crucial first three years of primary school through the *Early Years Literacy Program* which has created 1000 new classroom teaching jobs, many of which will be filled this year by bright, young graduate teachers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) – Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria – To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY Petition presented by the Member for Narracan
 (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and
 staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).

- 5. **SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM** *Resumption of debate on the question* That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (*Mr Elder*).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means. To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).

- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question – That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. **SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. **COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK** Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less

individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).

- 23. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. **KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)

- 31. RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. **MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. **ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West

- Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (*Mr Cameron*).
- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 46. **PLANNING DECISIONS** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) – Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria – To be considered (Ms Garbutt).

- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST -** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 53. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. **PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE** Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).
- 55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG-Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (Mr Andrianopoulos).
- 56. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 57. **CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM** Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).

- 58. RACIAL DISCRIMINATION Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (4 May 1999)

 Praying that the Government immediately launches an investigation in relation to occurrences of racial abuse and vilification generally, particularly in respect of Captain Frank and Elisabeth Staberhofer of Captain's Lodge International Motel, Sale To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- *59. **SOCIAL POLICIES** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education (Mr Lean).

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAY

WEDNESDAY, 19 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. **AMBULANCE SERVICES (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL** - (from Council) - Second reading - Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).

R. W. PURDEY
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES - Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).

TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN – Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House). Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

By Authority. Government Printer for the State of Victoria

Mr Speaker takes the Chair at Two o'clock

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **APPROPRIATION (1999/2000) BILL** Second reading *Resumption of debate (Mr Cameron)*.
- APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT 1999/2000) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).
- 3. NEW TAX SYSTEM PRICE EXPLOITATION CODE (VICTORIA) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- 4. POLICE REGULATION AND FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- 5. FINANCIAL SECTOR REFORM (VICTORIA) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 6. **DENTAL PRACTICE BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **GUARDIANSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mrs Campbell).
- 8. LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating
 policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system
 and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- 3. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.

- 4. **MR BRUMBY** To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 5. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- 6. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 8. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- 10. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 11. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 12. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 13. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.

- 14. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 15. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 16. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 17. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 18. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 19. **MR JENKINS** To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 20. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 21. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 22. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 23. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 24. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.

- 25. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 26. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 27. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 28. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 29. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 30. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 31. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 32. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 33. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 34. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 35. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 36. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 37. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.

- 38. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 39. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 40. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 41. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 42. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 43. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 44. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 45. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 46. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 47. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the north—west area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 48. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.

- 49. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 50. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 51. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 52. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 53. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 54. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 55. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 56. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 57. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 58. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 59. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 60. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.

- 61. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 62. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 63. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 64. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 65. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 66. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 67. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 68. **MR McARTHUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 69. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 70. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.

- 71. **MR LIM** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 72. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 73. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 74. **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 75. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 76. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 77. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 78. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 79. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 80. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 81. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 82. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian

Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.

- 83. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 84. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 85. **MRS MADDIGAN** To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 86. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 87. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 88. **MR DIXON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 89. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 90. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 91. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 92. **MR ANDRIGHETTO** To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 93. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.

- 94. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 96. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 97. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 98. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 99. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 100. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post- natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 101. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 102. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 103. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.

- 104. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 105. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 106. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 108. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 110. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 111. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 112. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.

- 113. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 114. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 115. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and 116. Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 117. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 118. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation Bushfire Blitz, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part- time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.

- 119. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 120. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 121. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 122. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 123. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 124. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 125. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 126. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 127. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.

- 128. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 *Sunday* program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 129. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 130. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 131. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 132. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 133. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 134. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 135. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 136. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal-National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 137. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 138. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 139. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government

- agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 141. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 142. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 143. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 144. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 145. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 146. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 147. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 148. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.

- 149. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 150. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 151. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 152. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 153. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 154. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 155. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 156. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 157. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 158. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.

- 159. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 160. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-to-vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 161. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 163. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 164. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 165. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 166. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south – east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 167. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between

- 1993–97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- 168. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 169. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 170. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 171. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former

Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".

- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 177. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 178. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 179. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 180. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 181. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 182. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.

- 183. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 184. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 185. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 186. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 187. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 188. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 189. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 190. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 191. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.

- 192. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 193. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 194. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 195. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- 196. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 197. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 198. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- 199. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the

Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitions that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.

- 200. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 201. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 202. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- 203. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of \$55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of

- whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 204. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 205. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 206. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 207. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 208. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 209. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.

- 210. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 211. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 212. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 213. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 214. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 215. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 216. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 217. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 218. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing

schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.

- 219. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 220. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 221. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 222. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 223. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 224. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 225. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 226. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 227. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 228. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.

- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 230. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 231. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 232. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 233. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 234. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 235. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 236. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.

- 237. **MS DAVIES** To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 238. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 239. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 240. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 241. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 242. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 243. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 244. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 245. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

- 246. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 247. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 248. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 249. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 250. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 251. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 252. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 253. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 254. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.

- 255. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 256. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 257. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 258. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 259. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 260. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 261. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 262. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 263. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.

- 264. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 265. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 266. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 267. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 268. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 269. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 270. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.

- 272. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 273. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 274. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 275. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 276. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 277. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 278. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 279. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.

- 280. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 281. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 282. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 283. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 284. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 285. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 286. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 287. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 288. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 289. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.

- 290. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 291. **MR JOHN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 292. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 293. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 294. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 295. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 296. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 297. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.

- 298. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 299. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 300. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 301. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 302. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 303. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 304. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 305. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.

- 306. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 307. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 308. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 309. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 310. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 311. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 312. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 313. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 314. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the

- telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 315. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 316. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 317. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 318. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 319. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 320. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 321. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 322. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 323. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 324. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 325. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.

- 326. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 327. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 328. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 329. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 330. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 331. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 332. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 333. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 334. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 335. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.

- 336. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 337. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 338. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 339. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 340. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 341. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 342. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 343. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 344. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 345. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 346. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.

- 347. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 348. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the Play it Safe by the Water campaign and the Life Saving into the 21st Century program.
- 349. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 350. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 351. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 352. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Rabbit Buster Initiative* which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 353. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 354. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 355. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 356. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the

- Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 357. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 358. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 359. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 360. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 361. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 362. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 363. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 364. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 365. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 366. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.

- 367. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 368. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 369. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 370. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 371. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a tape-recorded interview.
- 372. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 373. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 374. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 375. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 376. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 377. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.

- 378. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 379. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 380. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 381. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 382. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 383. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 384. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 385. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 386. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 387. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 388. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.

- 389. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 390. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.
- 391. DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 392. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 393. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 394. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 395. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.
- 396. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- 397. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- 398. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- 399. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant

- that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.
- 400. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.
- 401. **MS DAVIES** To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- 402. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- 403. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.
- 404. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.
- 405. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for attempting to defraud the Victorian electorate by promising 400 additional police when at \$20 million per year, he is only providing ongoing funding for 235.
- 406. MR LEAN To move, That the Government be commended for the *Bringing the Bay to Life Initiative* which will help to protect and enhance Port Phillip Bay's wonderful natural assets, provide improved boating and recreational facilities and encourage sensitive development opportunities where appropriate.
- 407. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for her attempt to close down freedom of information in the State.
- 408. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in joint venture housing projects with local government and community groups to provide improved housing for older Victorians.
- 409. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for deliberately deceiving the Victorian people in 1992 for promising to increase police numbers by "more than 1000 to 11,000" when he has in fact cut police numbers by more than 800 since 1996, while crime has continued to rise year after year.

- 410. MR TREASURE To move, That this House applauds the Government's timely and thorough response to addressing the social and economic problems caused by extensive flooding in Gippsland and North East Victoria.
- 411. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the Premier's promise to increase police numbers by a purported 400 police and condemns the Premier for gross deceit and breathtaking egoism given that (a) by the time the first of any of these police would graduate from the Police Academy the number of police will be down to 9380; and (b) the addition of 400 officers will leave police strength at 9780, only 130 more than at the moment, more than 500 less than three years ago and 1280 short of his earlier promise of 11,000.
- 412. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program to reform and streamline Victoria's planning processes and commends municipal councils for their endeavours to implement new planning schemes.
- 413. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes that none of the Kennett Government's promises of 400 additional police will be delivered before the forthcoming election and also notes that the Premier has deceived the electorate with such false promises before and accordingly condemns the Kennett Government for gross dishonesty towards the Victorian people.
- 414. MR SPRY To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts for improving access to the arts for all Victorians and for promoting the arts as a key part of the lives of all Victorians.
- 415. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the privatisation-crazed Minister for Transport for causing 400 country workers to lose their jobs on Friday, 30 April 1999 as part of the Government's anti-country privatisation of V/Line Freight.
- 416. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the commitment of \$102 million annually to boost literacy in the crucial first three years of primary school through the *Early Years Literacy Program* which has created 1000 new classroom teaching jobs, many of which will be filled this year by bright, young graduate teachers.
- *417. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport over his specious claim on Tuesday, 4 May 1999 that "Victoria took the lead" on public transport access for the disabled, and notes that the Autumn edition of 'Quadrangle' the official journal of the Australian Quadriplegic Association detailed the Victorian Government's intransigence on this issue, including an original commitment to only 68.79% of trams within 20 years as opposed to the draft standards 100%, and calls on the Minister to apologise to the Parliament, as well as the disabled community, for his willingness to play politics in such a disadvantaged section of the Victorian community.
- *418. MR LUPTON To move, That this House commends the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on his efforts to increase the competitiveness of our industries through a more flexible and relevant training system.

- *419. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for misleading the House on 13 April 1999, when he stated that in Victoria there was no bipartisan approach to juvenile justice, when in fact he as Minister acknowledged in the House on 29 October 1996 the benefit of that bipartisan approach to the State's juvenile justice system and further notes this bipartisanship was acknowledged by the Member for Warmambool on 13 March 1991, the Member for Seymour on 29 October 1992, by the Member for Bendigo East on 22 April 1993 and by the Honourable Rob Knowles, MLC, in another place, on 6 November 1992.
- *420. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House commends the Government for implementing water reforms that have delivered savings of an average 18% to households in metropolitan and country Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) – Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria – To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).

- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. **METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE** *Resumption of debate on the question* That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (*Mr Haermeyer*).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).

- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. **SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. **COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK** Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).

- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. **KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question - That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as

detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).

- 34. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means - To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 42. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 43. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (*Mr Cameron*).
- 45. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- 51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 53. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).
- 55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (Mr Andrianopoulos).
- 56. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 57. **CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM** Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).
- 58. **RACIAL DISCRIMINATION** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (4 May 1999)

 Praying that the Government immediately launches an investigation in relation to occurrences of racial abuse and vilification generally, particularly in respect of Captain Frank and Elisabeth Staberhofer of Captain's Lodge International Motel, Sale To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 59. **SOCIAL POLICIES** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education (Mr Lean).

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAYS

WEDNESDAY, 19 MAY 1999

COVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. **AMBULANCE SERVICES (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL** - (from Council) - Second reading – Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).

THURSDAY, 20 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. STATE TAXATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- PROSTITUTION CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 3. CRIMES (CRIMINAL TRIALS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 4. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- INTERACTIVE GAMING (PLAYER PROTECTION) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 6. FOOD (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).
- 7. AUSTRALIA ACTS (REQUEST) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 8. RAIL CORPORATIONS AND TRANSPORT ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Batchelor).
- ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- GAS INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 11. COMMONWEALTH PLACES (MIRROR TAXES ADMINISTRATION) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).

12. **ESTATE AGENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES - Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).

TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN – Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex-officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

Mr Speaker takes the Chair at Ten o'clock

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1. MR CLARK To move, That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about.
- MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating
 policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system
 and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 4. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 5. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling
 the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling
 mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 8. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.

- 10. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 11. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 12. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 13. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 14. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 15. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 16. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 17. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.

- 18. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 19. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 21. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 22. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 23. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 24. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 25. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 26. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 27. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 28. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 30. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.

- 31. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 32. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 33. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 34. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 35. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 37. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 38. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 40. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 41. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 42. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.

- 43. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 44. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 45. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 46. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 47. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 48. **MR WELLS** To move, That this House commends the Government for the *FReeZA* program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 49. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 50. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 52. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.

- 53. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 54. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 55. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 56. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 57. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 58. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 59. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 60. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 61. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 62. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 63. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.

- 64. **MR TREASURE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 65. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 66. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 67. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 68. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 69. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four- week and eight- week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 70. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 71. **MR LIM** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 72. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 73. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.

- 74. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 75. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 76. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 77. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 78. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 79. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 80. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 81. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 82. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 83. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 84. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.

- 85. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 86. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 87. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 88. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 89. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 90. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 91. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 92. **MR ANDRIGHETTO** To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 93. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 94. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- 95. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.

- 96. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 97. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 98. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 99. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 101. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 102. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 103. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 104. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 105. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.

- 106. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- 107. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 108. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- 109. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co- operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 110. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 111. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 112. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 113. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 114. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.

- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House -115. (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and 116. Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 118. **MR LUPTON** To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.

- 120. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 121. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 122. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 123. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 124. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 125. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 126. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 127. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 128. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre- selection process.

- 129. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 130. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 131. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 132. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 133. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 134. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 135. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 136. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal-National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 137. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 138. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 139. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.

- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 141. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 142. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 143. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 144. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 145. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 146. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 147. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 148. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.

- 149. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 150. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 151. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 152. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 153. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 154. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 155. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 156. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 157. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 158. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.

- 159. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 160. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-to-vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 161. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 163. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 164. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 165. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- 166. MR PANDAZOPOULOS - To move, That this House notes the belated support of the Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south – east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.

- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993–97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 170. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 171. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".

- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 176. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 177. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 178. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 179. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 180. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 181. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.

- MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 183. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 184. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 185. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 186. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 187. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 188. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 189. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 190. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.

- 191. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 192. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 193. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 194. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 195. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive 196. economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 197. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 198. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.

- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to 199. uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitors that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.
- 200. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 201. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 202. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- 203. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation

to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.

- 204. **MR SMITH** (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 205. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 206. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 207. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 208. **MR SPRY** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 209. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.

- 210. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 211. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 212. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 213. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 214. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 215. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 216. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 217. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 218. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing

- schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 219. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 220. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 221. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 222. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 223. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 224. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 225. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 226. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 227. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 228. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.

- 229. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 230. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 231. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 232. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 233. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 234. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 235. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 236. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.

- 237. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 238. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 239. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 240. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 241. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 242. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 243. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 244. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 245. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

- 246. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 247. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 248. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 249. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 250. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 251. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 252. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 253. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 254. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.

- 255. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 256. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 257. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 258. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 259. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 260. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 261. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 262. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 263. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.

- 264. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 265. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 266. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 267. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 268. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 269. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 270. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.

- 272. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 273. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 274. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 275. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 276. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 277. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 278. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.

- 280. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 281. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 282. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 283. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 284. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 285. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 286. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 287. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 288. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 289. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.

- 290. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 291. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 292. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 293. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 294. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 295. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 296. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 297. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.

- 298. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 299. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 300. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 301. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 302. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 303. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 304. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 305. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.

- 306. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 307. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 309. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 310. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 311. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 312. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 313. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 314. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the

- telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 315. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 316. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 317. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 318. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 319. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 320. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 321. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 322. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 323. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 324. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 325. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.

- 326. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 327. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 328. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 329. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 330. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 331. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 332. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 333. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 334. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 335. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.

- 336. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 337. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 338. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 339. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 340. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 341. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 342. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 343. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 344. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 345. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 346. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.

- 347. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 348. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.
- 349. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 350. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 351. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 352. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Rabbit Buster Initiative* which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 353. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 354. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 355. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the

Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.

- 357. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 358. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 359. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 360. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 361. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 362. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 363. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 364. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 365. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 366. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.

- 367. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 368. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 369. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 370. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 371. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a taperecorded interview.
- 372. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 373. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 374. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 375. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 376. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 377. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.

- 378. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 379. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 380. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 381. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 382. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 383. **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 384. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 385. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 386. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 387. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 388. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.

- 389. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 390. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.
- 391. DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 392. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 393. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 394. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 395. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.
- 396. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- 397. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- 398. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- 399. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant

- that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.
- 400. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.
- 401. MS DAVIES To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- 402. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- 403. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.
- 404. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.
- 405. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for attempting to defraud the Victorian electorate by promising 400 additional police when at \$20 million per year, he is only providing ongoing funding for 235.
- 406. MR LEAN To move, That the Government be commended for the *Bringing the Bay to Life Initiative* which will help to protect and enhance Port Phillip Bay's wonderful natural assets, provide improved boating and recreational facilities and encourage sensitive development opportunities where appropriate.
- 407. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for her attempt to close down freedom of information in the State.
- 408. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in joint venture housing projects with local government and community groups to provide improved housing for older Victorians.
- 409. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for deliberately deceiving the Victorian people in 1992 for promising to increase police numbers by "more than 1000 to 11,000" when he has in fact cut police numbers by more than 800 since 1996, while crime has continued to rise year after year.

- 410. MR TREASURE To move, That this House applauds the Government's timely and thorough response to addressing the social and economic problems caused by extensive flooding in Gippsland and North East Victoria.
- 411. **MR HAERMEYER** To move, That this House notes the Premier's promise to increase police numbers by a purported 400 police and condemns the Premier for gross deceit and breathtaking egoism given that (a) by the time the first of any of these police would graduate from the Police Academy the number of police will be down to 9380; and (b) the addition of 400 officers will leave police strength at 9780, only 130 more than at the moment, more than 500 less than three years ago and 1280 short of his earlier promise of 11,000.
- 412. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program to reform and streamline Victoria's planning processes and commends municipal councils for their endeavours to implement new planning schemes.
- 413. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes that none of the Kennett Government's promises of 400 additional police will be delivered before the forthcoming election and also notes that the Premier has deceived the electorate with such false promises before and accordingly condemns the Kennett Government for gross dishonesty towards the Victorian people.
- 414. MR SPRY To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts for improving access to the arts for all Victorians and for promoting the arts as a key part of the lives of all Victorians.
- 415. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the privatisation-crazed Minister for Transport for causing 400 country workers to lose their jobs on Friday, 30 April 1999 as part of the Government's anti-country privatisation of V/Line Freight.
- 416. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the commitment of \$102 million annually to boost literacy in the crucial first three years of primary school through the Early Years Literacy Program which has created 1000 new classroom teaching jobs, many of which will be filled this year by bright, young graduate teachers.
- 417. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport over his specious claim on Tuesday, 4 May 1999 that "Victoria took the lead" on public transport access for the disabled, and notes that the Autumn edition of 'Quadrangle' the official journal of the Australian Quadriplegic Association detailed the Victorian Government's intransigence on this issue, including an original commitment to only 68.79% of trams within 20 years as opposed to the draft standards 100%, and calls on the Minister to apologise to the Parliament, as well as the disabled community, for his willingness to play politics in such a disadvantaged section of the Victorian community.
- 418. MR LUPTON To move, That this House commends the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on his efforts to increase the competitiveness of our industries through a more flexible and relevant training system.
- 419. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for misleading the House on 13 April 1999, when he stated that in Victoria there was no bipartisan approach to juvenile justice, when in fact he as Minister acknowledged in the House on 29 October 1996 the benefit of that bipartisan approach to the State's juvenile justice system and further notes this bipartisanship was

- acknowledged by the Member for Warrnambool on 13 March 1991, the Member for Seymour on 29 October 1992, by the Member for Bendigo East on 22 April 1993 and by the Honourable Rob Knowles, MLC, in another place, on 6 November 1992.
- 420. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House commends the Government for implementing water reforms that have delivered savings of an average 18% to households in metropolitan and country Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 2. **PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria To be considered (*Mr Savage*).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (Mrs Campbell).

- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) – Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means – To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question - That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).

- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. **COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK** Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).

- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry

Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (*Mr Pandazopoulos*).

- 34. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 42. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (12 November 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to

- provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 43. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST -** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 44. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 46. **PLANNING DECISIONS** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means - To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION -** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 52. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 53. **VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. **PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE** Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).
- 55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (Mr Andrianopoulos).
- 56. CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority - To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 57. **CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM** Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).
- 58. RACIAL DISCRIMINATION Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (4 May 1999) Praying that the Government immediately launches an investigation in relation to occurrences of racial abuse and vilification generally, particularly in respect of Captain Frank and Elisabeth Staberhofer of Captain's Lodge International Motel, Sale To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 59. **SOCIAL POLICIES** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education (Mr Lean).
- *60. **PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that there be no further cuts to government education and that adequate resources be provided to ensure a properly resourced, high quality system of public education To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).

- *61. **SCHOOL BUS SERVICES** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government provides appropriate space on buses, whether contract services or regular public bus services so that children of non-Government and Government schools may be able to get to school safely and on time with no risk that children will be left on the side of the road To be considered (*Mr Haermeyer*).
- *62. McDONALD'S FRANCHISE IN DIAMOND CREEK Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) - Praying that planning approval not be given to a McDonald's franchise in Chute Street, Diamond Creek if it is going to cause traffic chaos and pose a danger to the local primary school children - To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- *63. **DRYSDALE POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to force the closure of the Drysdale Police Station To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- *64. MOUNT EVELYN POLICE STATION Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to close the Mount Evelyn Police Station and increase active police presence in the area To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

NOTICE OF MOTION

*1. MR KENNETT – To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the publication of the report of the Longford Royal Commission and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **APPROPRIATION (1999/2000) BILL** Second reading *Resumption of debate (Mrs Elliott)*.
- 2. **DENTAL PRACTICE BILL** Second reading *Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls)*.
- 3. **GUARDIANSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mrs Campbell).
- 4. POLICE REGULATION AND FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- 5. LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- 6. APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT 1999/2000) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).
- 7. NEW TAX SYSTEM PRICE EXPLOITATION CODE (VICTORIA) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).

- 8. FINANCIAL SECTOR REFORM (VICTORIA) BILL Resumption of debate on the question That this Bill be now read a second time and on the amendment That all the words after "That" be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words "this House refuses to read this Bill a second time until the House has considered a report from the Economic Development Committee relating to the issues of reduced service provision and job losses resulting from the State and Commonwealth financial sector reform legislation" (Mr Langdon).
- *9. MARINE (AMENDMENT) BILL (from Council) Second reading.

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAYS

WEDNESDAY, 19 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. AMBULANCE SERVICES (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL - (from Council) - Second reading - Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).

THURSDAY, 20 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- STATE TAXATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- PROSTITUTION CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 3. CRIMES (CRIMINAL TRIALS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 4. **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 5. INTERACTIVE GAMING (PLAYER PROTECTION) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 6. **FOOD (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).
- 7. AUSTRALIA ACTS (REQUEST) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 8. RAIL CORPORATIONS AND TRANSPORT ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Batchelor).
- 9. **ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).

- 10. GAS INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 11. COMMONWEALTH PLACES (MIRROR TAXES ADMINISTRATION) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 12. **ESTATE AGENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading *Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).*

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION

Upon the Police Regulation and Firearms (Amendment) Bill being committed.

- *1. MR HAERMEYER To move, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they divide the Police Regulation and Firearms (Amendment) Bill into two Bills as follows:
 - (a) A Police Regulation (Amendment) Bill, being the Police Regulation and Firearms (Amendment) Bill with the following changes:
 - (i) Long title as follows:
 - "A Bill to amend the Police Regulation Act 1958 and for other purposes.";
 - (ii) Short Title as follows:
 - "Police Regulation (Amendment) Act 1999";
 - (iii) Part 1 and Clauses 1 and 2 as follows:

"PART 1—PRELIMINARY

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Act is to amend the Police Regulation Act 1958.

- 2. Commencement
 - This Part comes into operation on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.
 - (2) Subject to sub-section (3), the remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed.
 - (3) If a provision referred to in sub-section (2) does not come into operation before 1 June 2000, it comes into operation on that day.";
- (iv) Part 2 of the Bill;
- (v) Part 3 of the Bill omitted; and
- (b) A Firearms (Further Amendment) Bill being the Police Regulation and Firearms (Amendment) Bill with the following changes:
 - (i) A Long title as follows:
 - "A Bill to amend the Firearms Act 1996 and for other purposes.";
 - (ii) A Short title as follows:
 - "Firearms (Further Amendment) Act 1999";
 - (iii) Part 1 and Clauses 1 and 2 as follows:

"PART 1—PRELIMINARY

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Act is to amend the Firearms Act 1996.

2. Commencement

- (1) This Part comes into operation on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.
- (2) Subject to sub-section (3), the remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed.
- (3) If a provision referred to in sub-section (2) does not come into operation before 1 June 2000, it comes into operation on that day.";
- (iv) Part 2 of the Bill omitted;
- (v) Part Heading 3 renumbered 2 and Clauses 30 to 32 renumbered 3 to 5.

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- *1. LONGFORD ROYAL COMMISSION (REPORT) BILL Second reading.
- 2. APPROPRIATION (1999/2000) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Carli).
- 3. POLICE REGULATION AND FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Haermeyer).
- 4. LAND (RESERVATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
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- 8. GUARDIANSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Dr Dean).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

MR BATCHELOR – To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating
policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system
and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.

New Entry.

- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 3. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 4. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling
 the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling
 mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 7. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 8. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members
 of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for
 its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 10. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 11. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.

- 12. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 13. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 14. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 15. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 16. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 17. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 18. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 20. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 21. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 22. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.

- 23. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 24. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 25. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 26. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 27. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 28. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 29. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 30. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 32. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 33. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 34. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 35. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.

- 36. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 37. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 38. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 39. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 40. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 41. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 42. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 43. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 44. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 45. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 46. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.

- 47. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 48. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 49. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 50. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 51. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 52. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 53. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 54. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 55. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 56. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 57. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.

- 58. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 59. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 60. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 61. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 62. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 63. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 64. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 65. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 67. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.

- 68. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 69. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 70. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 72. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 73. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 74. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 75. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 76. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 78. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 79. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.

- 80. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 81. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 82. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 83. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 84. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 85. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 86. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 87. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 88. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney- General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 89. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average home owners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 90. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.

- 91. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 92. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 93. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 95. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 96. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 97. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 98. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 99. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 100. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.

- 101. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 102. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 103. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 104. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 105. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- 106. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 107. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.

- 109. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 110. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 111. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 112. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 113. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 114. MR HAERMEYER - To move, That this House -(a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- 115. MR HAERMEYER - To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful

- misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 116. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 117. **MR LUPTON** To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 118. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 119. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 120. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 121. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 122. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 123. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.

- 124. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 126. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 127. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 128. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 129. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 130. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 131. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 132. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 133. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 134. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 135. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal-National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.

- 136. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 137. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 138. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 139. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 140. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 142. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 143. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 144. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.

- 145. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 146. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 147. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 148. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 149. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 150. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 151. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 152. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 153. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 154. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.

- 155. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 156. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 157. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 158. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 159. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-tovote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 160. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi- sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- 161. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 162. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 163. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 164. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- 165. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south– east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures

indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.

- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- 167. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 168. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 169. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 170. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 171. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.

- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 176. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 177. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 178. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.

- 179. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 180. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 181. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 182. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 183. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 184. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 185. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 186. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 187. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 188. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process

of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.

- 189. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 190. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 191. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 192. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 193. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 194. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive 195. economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.

- 196. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 197. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to 198. uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competition that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.
- 199. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 200. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.

- 201. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the 202. Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 203. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 204. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 205. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- 206. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of

the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.

- 207. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 208. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 209. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 210. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 211. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 212. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 213. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 214. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 215. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters,

- and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 216. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 217. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 218. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 219. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 220. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 221. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 222. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 223. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 224. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.

- 225. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 226. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 227. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 228. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 229. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 230. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 231. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 232. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.

- 233. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 234. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 235. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 236. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 237. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 238. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 239. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 240. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 241. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 242. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone

and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.

- 243. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 244. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 245. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 246. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 247. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 248. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 249. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 250. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.

- 251. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 252. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 253. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 254. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 255. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 256. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 257. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 258. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 259. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country

- Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 260. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 261. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 262. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 263. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 264. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 265. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 266. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 267. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.

- 268. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 269. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boot, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 271. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for onethird of the State's export earnings.
- 272. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 273. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 274. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 275. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.

- 276. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 277. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 278. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 279. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 280. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 281. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 282. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 283. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 284. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.

- 285. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 286. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 287. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 288. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 289. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 290. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 291. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 292. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 293. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.

- 294. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 295. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 296. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 297. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 298. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 299. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 301. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.

- 302. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 303. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 304. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 305. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 306. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 307. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 308. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 309. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 310. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.

- 311. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 312. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 313. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 314. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 315. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 316. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 317. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 318. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 319. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 320. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.

- 321. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 322. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 323. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 324. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- 325. **MR HAMILTON** To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 326. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 327. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 328. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 329. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 330. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.

- 332. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 333. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 334. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- 335. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 336. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 337. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 338. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 339. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 340. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 341. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 342. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.

- 343. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 344. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 345. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- 346. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 347. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the Play it Safe by the Water campaign and the Life Saving into the 21st Century program.
- 348. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 349. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 350. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 351. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the Rabbit Buster Initiative which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 352. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 353. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.

- 354. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 355. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 356. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 357. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 358. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 359. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 360. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 361. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.

- 362. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 363. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 364. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 365. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- 366. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 367. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 368. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 369. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 370. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a taperecorded interview.
- 371. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 372. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.

- 373. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 374. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 375. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 376. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.
- 377. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 378. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 379. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 380. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 381. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 382. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 383. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.

- 384. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 385. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 386. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 387. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 388. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 389. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.
- 390. DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 391. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 392. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 393. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 394. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.

- 395. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- 396. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- 397. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- 398. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.
- 399. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.
- 400. MS DAVIES To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- 401. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- 402. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.

- 403. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.
- 404. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for attempting to defraud the Victorian electorate by promising 400 additional police when at \$20 million per year, he is only providing ongoing funding for 235.
- 405. MR LEAN To move, That the Government be commended for the *Bringing the Bay to Life Initiative* which will help to protect and enhance Port Phillip Bay's wonderful natural assets, provide improved boating and recreational facilities and encourage sensitive development opportunities where appropriate.
- 406. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for her attempt to close down freedom of information in the State.
- 407. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in joint venture housing projects with local government and community groups to provide improved housing for older Victorians.
- 408. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for deliberately deceiving the Victorian people in 1992 for promising to increase police numbers by "more than 1000 to 11,000" when he has in fact cut police numbers by more than 800 since 1996, while crime has continued to rise year after year.
- 409. MR TREASURE To move, That this House applauds the Government's timely and thorough response to addressing the social and economic problems caused by extensive flooding in Gippsland and North East Victoria.
- 410. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the Premier's promise to increase police numbers by a purported 400 police and condemns the Premier for gross deceit and breathtaking egoism given that (a) by the time the first of any of these police would graduate from the Police Academy the number of police will be down to 9380; and (b) the addition of 400 officers will leave police strength at 9780, only 130 more than at the moment, more than 500 less than three years ago and 1280 short of his earlier promise of 11,000.
- 411. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program to reform and streamline Victoria's planning processes and commends municipal councils for their endeavours to implement new planning schemes.
- 412. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes that none of the Kennett Government's promises of 400 additional police will be delivered before the forthcoming election and also notes that the Premier has deceived the electorate with such false promises before and accordingly condemns the Kennett Government for gross dishonesty towards the Victorian people.
- 413. MR SPRY To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts for improving access to the arts for all Victorians and for promoting the arts as a key part of the lives of all Victorians.

- 414. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the privatisation-crazed Minister for Transport for causing 400 country workers to lose their jobs on Friday, 30 April 1999 as part of the Government's anti-country privatisation of V/Line Freight.
- 415. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the commitment of \$102 million annually to boost literacy in the crucial first three years of primary school through the *Early Years Literacy Program* which has created 1000 new classroom teaching jobs, many of which will be filled this year by bright, young graduate teachers.
- 416. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport over his specious claim on Tuesday, 4 May 1999 that "Victoria took the lead" on public transport access for the disabled, and notes that the Autumn edition of 'Quadrangle' the official journal of the Australian Quadriplegic Association detailed the Victorian Government's intransigence on this issue, including an original commitment to only 68.79% of trams within 20 years as opposed to the draft standards 100%, and calls on the Minister to apologise to the Parliament, as well as the disabled community, for his willingness to play politics in such a disadvantaged section of the Victorian community.
- 417. MR LUPTON To move, That this House commends the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on his efforts to increase the competitiveness of our industries through a more flexible and relevant training system.
- 418. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for misleading the House on 13 April 1999, when he stated that in Victoria there was no bipartisan approach to juvenile justice, when in fact he as Minister acknowledged in the House on 29 October 1996 the benefit of that bipartisan approach to the State's juvenile justice system and further notes this bipartisanship was acknowledged by the Member for Warmambool on 13 March 1991, the Member for Seymour on 29 October 1992, by the Member for Bendigo East on 22 April 1993 and by the Honourable Rob Knowles, MLC, in another place, on 6 November 1992.
- 419. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House commends the Government for implementing water reforms that have delivered savings of an average 18% to households in metropolitan and country Victoria.
- *420. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That the Government condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his distasteful and sexist tirade against women in Parliament and women in public life for being out of their depth in desiring family friendly parliamentary times.
- *421. MS KOSKY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to publicly discipline the Member for Forest Hill for his misogynistic comments against female parliamentarians in the House on 11 May 1999.
- *422. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his insensitive comments made about female parliamentarians on 11 May 1999 in this House and calls on the Premier to publicly distance himself from this Member.
- *423. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outlandish and unacceptable remarks criticising those Members of Parliament for combining their work with parenthood.

- *424. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the introduction of more than 200 additional trips per week by the National Bus Company, further improving the public transport options for the people of Melbourne's east.
- *425. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outrageously patronising and misogynistic lecture on 11 May 1999 in this House, attempting to demean women parliamentarians, ridicule women's aspirations in politics and family friendly conditions in Parliament and calls on the Premier to loudly and publicly condemn the Member for his ancient attitudes and re-educate the Members of his Government who hold similar attitudes.
- *426. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its comprehensive and responsible liquor law reform which makes Victoria the best state in which the licensed hospitality industry has to operate.
- *427. MR HULLS To move, That this House congratulates the employees and volunteers for their hard and tireless work at Community Legal Centres and condemns the Attorney-General for her failure to rule out the closure of such centres which play an integral role in providing access to justice to disadvantaged Victorians.
- *428. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his patronising, sexist, outdated and offensive statements on 11 May 1999 in this House that if female Members cannot stand the heat in the kitchen they should get out, on the flimsy basis that Members argued for sensible and family friendly sitting hours.
- *429. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the State Emergency Service for the provision of road accident reform in Victoria.
- *430. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Premier for providing a workplace where working conditions and work practices belong to the 19th century, as do some of the attitudes of Members of the Government like the Member for Forest Hill, and calls on the Premier to adopt the proposals of the Member for Altona for workplace reform.
- *431. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on legislation for the protection of citizens privacy in Victoria.
- *432. MRS WILSON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his sexist remarks and lack of understanding of the position of female Members of this House who seek to balance their parliamentary duties with their family responsibilities.
- *433. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to remove unregistered builders from the domestic building industry.
- *434. MS GILLETT To move, That this House applauds the efforts of modern and efficient employers who accept, understand and make provision for the responsibilities of working parents and calls on the Premier to adopt the Member for Altona's proposals.
- *435. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Junior Landcare Initiative* which provides support to increase awareness and participation in land and water management amongst Victoria's rural youth.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 2. **PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service;

- (b) attempting to cover—up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (*Mr Cameron*).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) - Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act - To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG –** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) - Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. STEEL-JAWED TRAPS Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Mrs Campbell).

- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) - Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government - To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) - Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip - To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (*Mr Cameron*).
- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE -** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 51. LANG LANG POLICE STATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).

- 53. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. **PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE** Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).
- 55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (Mr Andrianopoulos).
- 56. CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 57. **CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM** Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).
- 58. **RACIAL DISCRIMINATION** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (4 May 1999)

 Praying that the Government immediately launches an investigation in relation to occurrences of racial abuse and vilification generally, particularly in respect of Captain Frank and Elisabeth Staberhofer of Captain's Lodge International Motel, Sale To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 59. **SOCIAL POLICIES** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education (Mr Lean).
- 60. **PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that there be no further cuts to government education and that adequate resources be provided to ensure a properly resourced, high quality system of public education To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 61. **SCHOOL BUS SERVICES** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government provides appropriate space on buses, whether contract services or regular public bus services so that children of non-Government and Government schools may be able to get to school safely and on time with no risk that children will be left on the side of the road To be considered (*Mr Haermeyer*).
- 62. McDONALD'S FRANCHISE IN DIAMOND CREEK Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that planning approval not be given to a McDonald's franchise in Chute Street, Diamond Creek if it is going to cause traffic chaos and pose a danger to the local primary school children To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).

- 63. **DRYSDALE POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to force the closure of the Drysdale Police Station To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 64. MOUNT EVELYN POLICE STATION Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to close the Mount Evelyn Police Station and increase active police presence in the area To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- *65. **BLACKBURN HIGH SCHOOL COUNCIL** Petition presented by the Member for Mitcham (12 May 1999) Praying that the Ministry of Education rejects Blackburn High School Council's application to become a self-governing school and therefore allows for appropriate consultation with the community (Mr Robinson).
- *66. **REDUCTION IN PUBLIC SECTOR DEBT -** Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about (Mr Clark).

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAYS

WEDNESDAY, 19 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. AMBULANCE SERVICES (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL - (from Council) - Second reading - Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).

THURSDAY, 20 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. STATE TAXATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- PROSTITUTION CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- CRIMES (CRIMINAL TRIALS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 5. INTERACTIVE GAMING (PLAYER PROTECTION) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 6. FOOD (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).

- 7. AUSTRALIA ACTS (REQUEST) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 8. RAIL CORPORATIONS AND TRANSPORT ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Batchelor).
- 9. **ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 10. GAS INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 11. **COMMONWEALTH PLACES (MIRROR TAXES ADMINISTRATION) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 12. **ESTATE AGENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

WEDNESDAY, 26 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

 MARINE (AMENDMENT) BILL – (from Council) – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION

Upon the Police Regulation and Firearms (Amendment) Bill being committed.

- 1. MR HAERMEYER To move, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they divide the Police Regulation and Firearms (Amendment) Bill into two Bills as follows:
 - (a) A Police Regulation (Amendment) Bill, being the Police Regulation and Firearms (Amendment) Bill with the following changes:
 - (i) Long title as follows:
 - "A Bill to amend the Police Regulation Act 1958 and for other purposes.";
 - (ii) Short Title as follows:
 - "Police Regulation (Amendment) Act 1999";
 - (iii) Part 1 and Clauses 1 and 2 as follows:

"PART 1—PRELIMINARY

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Act is to amend the Police Regulation Act 1958.

2. Commencement

- (1) This Part comes into operation on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.
- (2) Subject to sub-section (3), the remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed.
- (3) If a provision referred to in sub-section (2) does not come into operation before 1 June 2000, it comes into operation on that day.";
- (iv) Part 2 of the Bill;
- (v) Part 3 of the Bill omitted; and
- (b) A Firearms (Further Amendment) Bill being the Police Regulation and Firearms (Amendment) Bill with the following changes:
 - (i) A Long title as follows:

"A Bill to amend the Firearms Act 1996 and for other purposes.";

(ii) A Short title as follows:

"Firearms (Further Amendment) Act 1999";

(iii) Part 1 and Clauses 1 and 2 as follows:

"PART 1—PRELIMINARY

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Act is to amend the Firearms Act 1996.

2. Commencement

- (1) This Part comes into operation on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.
- (2) Subject to sub-section (3), the remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed.
- (3) If a provision referred to in sub-section (2) does not come into operation before 1 June 2000, it comes into operation on that day.";
- (iv) Part 2 of the Bill omitted:
- (v) Part Heading 3 renumbered 2 and Clauses 30 to 32 renumbered 3 to 5.

R. W. PURDEY
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

S. J. PLOWMAN

Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES - Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).

TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN – Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT)** Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- **FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT)** Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- **FEDERAL STATE RELATIONS (JOINT)** Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House). Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

NOTICE OF MOTION

*1. MRS WADE – To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to re-enact with amendments the law relating to juries, to repeal the Juries Act 1967 and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT 1999/2000) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).
- 2. APPROPRIATION (1999/2000) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Davies).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating
 policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system
 and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- 2. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 3. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.

New Entry.

- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- 6. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 7. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 8. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members
 of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for
 its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 10. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 11. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 12. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 13. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 14. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.

- 15. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 16. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 17. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 18. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 19. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 20. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 21. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 22. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 23. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 24. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 25. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 26. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.

- 27. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 28. **MS KOSKY** To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 29. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 30. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 32. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 33. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 34. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 35. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 36. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 37. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.

- 40. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 41. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 42. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 43. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 44. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 45. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 46. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the north west area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 47. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 48. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 49. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.

- 50. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 51. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 52. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 53. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 54. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 55. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 56. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 57. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 58. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 59. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 60. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 61. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.

- 62. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 63. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 64. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 65. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 66. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 67. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 68. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four- week and eight- week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 69. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 70. **MR LIM** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 71. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.

- 72. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 73. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 74. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 75. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 76. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 77. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 78. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 79. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 80. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 81. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.

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from their families.

- 82. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.

MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) - To move, That the Government be commended for the

- 84. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 85. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.

MR PANDAZOPOLOUS - To move, That this House condemns the State Government and

to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal

- Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.

 87. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment
- 88. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 89. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 90. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 91. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 92. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 93. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.

- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 95. **MRS MADDIGAN** To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 96. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 97. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 98. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 99. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 100. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 101. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 102. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 103. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.

- 104. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 105. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- 106. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 107. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- 108. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 109. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 110. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 111. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 112. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.

- 113. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House -(a) condemns the Minister for 114. Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and 115. Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 116. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 117. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.

- 118. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 119. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 120. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 121. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 122. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 123. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 124. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 125. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 126. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.

- 127. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 128. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 129. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 130. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 131. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 132. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 133. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 134. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 135. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 136. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 137. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 138. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government

- agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 139. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 140. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 142. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 143. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 144. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 145. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 146. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 147. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.

- 148. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 149. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 150. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 151. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 152. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 153. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 154. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 155. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 156. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 157. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.

- 158. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 159. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how- tovote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 160. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi- sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- 161. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 162. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 163. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 164. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- 165. MR PANDAZOPOULOS - To move, That this House notes the belated support of the Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south- east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 166. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between

1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.

- 167. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 168. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 169. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 171. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an ad hoc service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former

Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".

- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 176. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 177. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 178. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 179. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 180. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 181. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.

- 182. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 183. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 184. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 185. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 186. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 187. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 188. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 189. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 190. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.

- 191. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 192. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 193. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 194. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive 195. economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 196. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 197. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.

- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to 198. uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competition that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Ptv Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.
- 199. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 200. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 201. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- 202. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation

to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.

- 203. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 204. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 205. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 206. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 207. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 208. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.

- 209. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 210. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 211. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 212. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 213. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 214. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 215. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 216. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 217. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing

schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.

- 218. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 219. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 220. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 221. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 222. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 223. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 224. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 225. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 226. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 227. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.

- 228. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 229. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 230. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 231. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 232. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 233. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 234. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 235. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.

- 236. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 237. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 238. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 239. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 240. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 241. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 242. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 243. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 244. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

- 245. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 246. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 247. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 248. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 249. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 250. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 251. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 252. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 253. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 254. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community

- needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 255. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 256. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 257. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 258. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 259. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 260. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 261. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 262. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.

- 263. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 264. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 265. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 266. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 267. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 268. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 269. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.

- 271. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 272. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 273. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 274. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 275. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 276. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 277. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 278. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.

- 279. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 280. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 281. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 282. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 283. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 284. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 285. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 286. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 287. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 288. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.

- 289. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 290. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 291. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 292. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 293. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 294. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 295. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 296. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.

- 297. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 298. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 299. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 301. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 302. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 303. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 304. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.

- 305. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 306. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 307. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 308. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 309. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 310. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 311. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 312. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 313. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the

- telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 314. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 315. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 316. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 317. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 318. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 319. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 320. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 321. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 322. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 323. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 324. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.

- 325. **MR HAMILTON** To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 326. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 327. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 328. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 329. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 330. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 331. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 332. **MR JASPER** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 333. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 334. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.

- 335. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 336. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 337. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 338. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 339. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 340. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 341. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 342. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 343. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 344. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 345. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.

- 346. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 347. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.
- 348. **MS KOSKY** To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 349. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 350. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 351. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the Rabbit Buster Initiative which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 352. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 353. **MR PERTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 354. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 355. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the

- Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 356. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 357. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 358. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 359. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 360. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 361. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 362. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 363. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 364. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 365. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.

- 366. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 367. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 368. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 369. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 370. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a tape-recorded interview.
- 371. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 372. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 373. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 374. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the *Water for Agriculture Initiative* which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 375. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 376. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.

- 377. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 378. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 379. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 380. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 381. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 382. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 383. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 384. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 385. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 386. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 387. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.

- 388. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 389. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.
- 390. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 391. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 392. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 393. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 394. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.
- 395. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- 396. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- 397. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- 398. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant

- that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.
- 399. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.
- 400. MS DAVIES To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- 401. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- 402. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.
- 403. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.
- 404. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for attempting to defraud the Victorian electorate by promising 400 additional police when at \$20 million per year, he is only providing ongoing funding for 235.
- 405. MR LEAN To move, That the Government be commended for the Bringing the Bay to Life Initiative which will help to protect and enhance Port Phillip Bay's wonderful natural assets, provide improved boating and recreational facilities and encourage sensitive development opportunities where appropriate.
- 406. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for her attempt to close down freedom of information in the State.
- 407. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in joint venture housing projects with local government and community groups to provide improved housing for older Victorians.
- 408. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for deliberately deceiving the Victorian people in 1992 for promising to increase police numbers by "more than 1000 to 11,000" when he has in fact cut police numbers by more than 800 since 1996, while crime has continued to rise year after year.

- 409. MR TREASURE To move, That this House applauds the Government's timely and thorough response to addressing the social and economic problems caused by extensive flooding in Gippsland and North East Victoria.
- 410. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the Premier's promise to increase police numbers by a purported 400 police and condemns the Premier for gross deceit and breathtaking egoism given that (a) by the time the first of any of these police would graduate from the Police Academy the number of police will be down to 9380; and (b) the addition of 400 officers will leave police strength at 9780, only 130 more than at the moment, more than 500 less than three years ago and 1280 short of his earlier promise of 11,000.
- 411. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program to reform and streamline Victoria's planning processes and commends municipal councils for their endeavours to implement new planning schemes.
- 412. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes that none of the Kennett Government's promises of 400 additional police will be delivered before the forthcoming election and also notes that the Premier has deceived the electorate with such false promises before and accordingly condemns the Kennett Government for gross dishonesty towards the Victorian people.
- 413. MR SPRY To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts for improving access to the arts for all Victorians and for promoting the arts as a key part of the lives of all Victorians.
- 414. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the privatisation-crazed Minister for Transport for causing 400 country workers to lose their jobs on Friday, 30 April 1999 as part of the Government's anti-country privatisation of V/Line Freight.
- 415. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the commitment of \$102 million annually to boost literacy in the crucial first three years of primary school through the *Early Years Literacy Program* which has created 1000 new classroom teaching jobs, many of which will be filled this year by bright, young graduate teachers.
- 416. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport over his specious claim on Tuesday, 4 May 1999 that "Victoria took the lead" on public transport access for the disabled, and notes that the Autumn edition of 'Quadrangle' the official journal of the Australian Quadriplegic Association detailed the Victorian Government's intransigence on this issue, including an original commitment to only 68.79% of trams within 20 years as opposed to the draft standards 100%, and calls on the Minister to apologise to the Parliament, as well as the disabled community, for his willingness to play politics in such a disadvantaged section of the Victorian community.
- 417. MR LUPTON To move, That this House commends the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on his efforts to increase the competitiveness of our industries through a more flexible and relevant training system.
- 418. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for misleading the House on 13 April 1999, when he stated that in Victoria there was no bipartisan approach to juvenile justice, when in fact he as Minister acknowledged in the House on 29 October 1996 the benefit of that bipartisan approach to the State's juvenile justice system and further notes this bipartisanship was

- acknowledged by the Member for Warrnambool on 13 March 1991, the Member for Seymour on 29 October 1992, by the Member for Bendigo East on 22 April 1993 and by the Honourable Rob Knowles, MLC, in another place, on 6 November 1992.
- 419. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House commends the Government for implementing water reforms that have delivered savings of an average 18% to households in metropolitan and country Victoria.
- 420. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That the Government condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his distasteful and sexist tirade against women in Parliament and women in public life for being out of their depth in desiring family friendly parliamentary times.
- 421. MS KOSKY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to publicly discipline the Member for Forest Hill for his misogynistic comments against female parliamentarians in the House on 11 May 1999.
- 422. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his insensitive comments made about female parliamentarians on 11 May 1999 in this House and calls on the Premier to publicly distance himself from this Member.
- 423. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outlandish and unacceptable remarks criticising those Members of Parliament for combining their work with parenthood.
- 424. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the introduction of more than 200 additional trips per week by the National Bus Company, further improving the public transport options for the people of Melbourne's east.
- 425. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outrageously patronising and misogynistic lecture on 11 May 1999 in this House, attempting to demean women parliamentarians, ridicule women's aspirations in politics and family friendly conditions in Parliament and calls on the Premier to loudly and publicly condemn the Member for his ancient attitudes and re-educate the Members of his Government who hold similar attitudes.
- 426. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its comprehensive and responsible liquor law reform which makes Victoria the best state in which the licensed hospitality industry has to operate.
- 427. MR HULLS To move, That this House congratulates the employees and volunteers for their hard and tireless work at Community Legal Centres and condemns the Attorney-General for her failure to rule out the closure of such centres which play an integral role in providing access to justice to disadvantaged Victorians.
- 428. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his patronising, sexist, outdated and offensive statements on 11 May 1999 in this House that if female Members cannot stand the heat in the kitchen they should get out, on the flimsy basis that Members argued for sensible and family friendly sitting hours.
- 429. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the State Emergency Service for the provision of road accident reform in Victoria.

- 430. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Premier for providing a workplace where working conditions and work practices belong to the 19th century, as do some of the attitudes of Members of the Government like the Member for Forest Hill, and calls on the Premier to adopt the proposals of the Member for Altona for workplace reform.
- 431. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on legislation for the protection of citizens privacy in Victoria.
- 432. MRS WILSON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his sexist remarks and lack of understanding of the position of female Members of this House who seek to balance their parliamentary duties with their family responsibilities.
- 433. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to remove unregistered builders from the domestic building industry.
- 434. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House applauds the efforts of modern and efficient employers who accept, understand and make provision for the responsibilities of working parents and calls on the Premier to adopt the Member for Altona's proposals.
- 435. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Junior Landcare Initiative* which provides support to increase awareness and participation in land and water management amongst Victoria's rural youth.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) – Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria – To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) – Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry – To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality

- education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) – Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means – To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).

- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less

individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).

- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) - Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. **KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Ms Davies)

- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. **MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West

- Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- 43. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES -** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) - Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria - To be considered (Ms Garbutt).

- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 51. LANG LANG POLICE STATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 53. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).
- 55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (Mr Andrianopoulos).
- 56. CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 57. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).

- 58. RACIAL DISCRIMINATION Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (4 May 1999) Praying that the Government immediately launches an investigation in relation to occurrences of racial abuse and vilification generally, particularly in respect of Captain Frank and Elisabeth Staberhofer of Captain's Lodge International Motel, Sale To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 59. **SOCIAL POLICIES** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education (Mr Lean).
- 60. **PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that there be no further cuts to government education and that adequate resources be provided to ensure a properly resourced, high quality system of public education To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 61. **SCHOOL BUS SERVICES** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government provides appropriate space on buses, whether contract services or regular public bus services so that children of non-Government and Government schools may be able to get to school safely and on time with no risk that children will be left on the side of the road To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 62. McDONALD'S FRANCHISE IN DIAMOND CREEK Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that planning approval not be given to a McDonald's franchise in Chute Street, Diamond Creek if it is going to cause traffic chaos and pose a danger to the local primary school children To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 63. **DRYSDALE POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to force the closure of the Drysdale Police Station To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 64. MOUNT EVELYN POLICE STATION Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to close the Mount Evelyn Police Station and increase active police presence in the area To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 65. **BLACKBURN HIGH SCHOOL COUNCIL** Petition presented by the Member for Mitcham (12 May 1999) Praying that the Ministry of Education rejects Blackburn High School Council's application to become a self-governing school and therefore allows for appropriate consultation with the community (Mr Robinson).
- 66. **REDUCTION IN PUBLIC SECTOR DEBT** Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about (Mr Clark).

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAYS

WEDNESDAY, 19 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. AMBULANCE SERVICES (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL - (from Council) - Second reading - Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).

THURSDAY, 20 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. STATE TAXATION ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 2. PROSTITUTION CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 3. CRIMES (CRIMINAL TRIALS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 4. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 5. **INTERACTIVE GAMING (PLAYER PROTECTION) BILL** Second reading *Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls)*.
- 6. **FOOD (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading *Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).*
- 7. AUSTRALIA ACTS (REQUEST) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 8. RAIL CORPORATIONS AND TRANSPORT ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Batchelor).
- ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 10. GAS INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 11. COMMONWEALTH PLACES (MIRROR TAXES ADMINISTRATION) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 12. **ESTATE AGENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

WEDNESDAY, 26 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. MARINE (AMENDMENT) BILL – (from Council) – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).

THURSDAY, 27 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

 LONGFORD ROYAL COMMISSION (REPORT) BILL – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly S. J. PLOWMAN

Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- **FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS (JOINT)** Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex-officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

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- 13. **ESTATE AGENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- *14. JURIES BILL Second reading.

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 3. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 4. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- 5. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- 6. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 7. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 8. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members
 of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for
 its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate

themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.

- 11. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 12. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 13. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 14. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 15. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 16. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 17. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 18. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 20. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.

- 21. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 22. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 23. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 24. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 25. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 27. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 29. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 30. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 32. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 33. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.

- 34. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 35. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 36. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 37. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 40. **MR BRUMBY** To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 41. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 42. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 43. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 44. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.

- 45. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 46. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 47. **MR WELLS** To move, That this House commends the Government for the *FReeZA* program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 48. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 49. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 50. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 51. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 52. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 53. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 54. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 55. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.

- 56. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 57. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 58. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 59. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 60. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 61. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 62. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 63. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 64. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 65. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 66. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting

- list blow- outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 67. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 68. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 69. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 70. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 72. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 73. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 74. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 75. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 76. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 77. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.

- 78. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 79. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 80. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 81. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 82. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 83. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 84. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 85. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 86. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 87. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 88. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.

- 89. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 90. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 91. **MR ANDRIGHETTO** To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 92. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 93. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 95. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 96. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 97. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 98. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.

- 99. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post- natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 100. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 101. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 102. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 103. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 104. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 105. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- 106. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 107. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.

- 108. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co- operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 109. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 110. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 111. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 112. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 113. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House -(a) condemns the Minister for 114. Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- 115. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break– in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his

allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.

- 116. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 117. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 118. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 119. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 120. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 121. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 122. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for

- multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 124. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 126. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 127. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre–selection process.
- 128. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 129. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 130. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 131. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 132. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 133. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.

- 134. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 135. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 136. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 137. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 138. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 139. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 140. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor- General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor- General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 142. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.

- 143. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 144. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 145. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 146. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 147. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 148. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 149. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 150. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 151. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 152. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.

- 153. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 154. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 155. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 156. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 157. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 158. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 159. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how—to vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 160. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi- sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- 161. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 162. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.

- 163. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 164. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 165. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south- east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- 167. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 168. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 169. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.

- 170. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 171. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an ad hoc service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 176. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.

- 177. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 178. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 179. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 180. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 181. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 182. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 183. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 184. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 185. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.

- 187. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 188. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 189. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 190. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 191. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 192. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 193. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 194. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- 195. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk

of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.

- 196. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 197. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to 198. uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competition that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.
- 199. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 200. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the

receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court – sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns – so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.

- 201. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- 202. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 203. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 204. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 205. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- 206. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests)

Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.

- 207. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 208. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 209. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 210. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 211. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 212. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 213. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 214. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of

Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.

- 215. **MR ROBINSON** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (*a*) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (*b*) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (*c*) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (*d*) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 216. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 217. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 218. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 219. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 220. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 221. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.

- 222. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 223. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 224. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 225. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 226. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 227. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 228. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 229. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 230. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 231. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.

- 232. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 233. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 234. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 235. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 236. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 237. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 238. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 239. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.

- 240. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 241. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 242. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 243. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 244. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 245. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 246. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 247. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.

- 248. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 249. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 250. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 251. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 252. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 253. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 254. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 255. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 256. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 257. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its

- words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 258. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 259. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 260. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 261. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 262. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 263. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 264. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 265. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage

- new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 266. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 267. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 268. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 269. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 271. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for onethird of the State's export earnings.
- 272. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 273. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians

- who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 274. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 275. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 276. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 277. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 278. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 279. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 280. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 281. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.

- 283. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 284. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 285. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 286. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 287. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 288. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 289. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 290. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 291. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.

- 292. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 293. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 294. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 295. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 296. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 297. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 298. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.

- 299. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 301. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 302. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 303. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 304. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 305. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 306. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 307. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses

- who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 308. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 309. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 310. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 311. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 312. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 313. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 314. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 315. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 316. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.

- 317. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 318. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 319. **MR LONEY** To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 320. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 321. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 322. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 323. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 324. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- 325. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 326. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 327. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.

- 328. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 329. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 330. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 331. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 332. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 333. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 334. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- 335. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 336. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 337. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 338. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.

- 339. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 340. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 341. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 342. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 343. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 344. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 345. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- 346. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 347. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the Play it Safe by the Water campaign and the Life Saving into the 21st Century program.
- 348. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.

- 349. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 350. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 351. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Rabbit Buster Initiative* which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 352. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 353. **MR PERTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 356. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 357. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report

- entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 358. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 359. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 360. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 361. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 362. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 363. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 364. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 365. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- 366. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 367. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 368. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.

- 369. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 370. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a tape-recorded interview.
- 371. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 372. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 373. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 374. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 375. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 376. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.
- 377. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 378. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.

- 379. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 380. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 381. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 382. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 383. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 384. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 385. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 386. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 387. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 388. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 389. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.

- 390. DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 391. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 392. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 393. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 394. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.
- 395. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- 396. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- 397. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- 398. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.
- 399. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.

- 400. MS DAVIES To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- 401. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- 402. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.
- 403. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.
- 404. **MR HAERMEYER** To move, That this House condemns the Premier for attempting to defraud the Victorian electorate by promising 400 additional police when at \$20 million per year, he is only providing ongoing funding for 235.
- 405. MR LEAN To move, That the Government be commended for the *Bringing the Bay to Life Initiative* which will help to protect and enhance Port Phillip Bay's wonderful natural assets, provide improved boating and recreational facilities and encourage sensitive development opportunities where appropriate.
- 406. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for her attempt to close down freedom of information in the State.
- 407. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in joint venture housing projects with local government and community groups to provide improved housing for older Victorians.
- 408. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for deliberately deceiving the Victorian people in 1992 for promising to increase police numbers by "more than 1000 to 11,000" when he has in fact cut police numbers by more than 800 since 1996, while crime has continued to rise year after year.
- 409. MR TREASURE To move, That this House applauds the Government's timely and thorough response to addressing the social and economic problems caused by extensive flooding in Gippsland and North East Victoria.
- 410. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the Premier's promise to increase police numbers by a purported 400 police and condemns the Premier for gross deceit and breathtaking egoism given that (a) by the time the first of any of these police

would graduate from the Police Academy the number of police will be down to 9380; and (b) the addition of 400 officers will leave police strength at 9780, only 130 more than at the moment, more than 500 less than three years ago and 1280 short of his earlier promise of 11,000.

- 411. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program to reform and streamline Victoria's planning processes and commends municipal councils for their endeavours to implement new planning schemes.
- 412. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes that none of the Kennett Government's promises of 400 additional police will be delivered before the forthcoming election and also notes that the Premier has deceived the electorate with such false promises before and accordingly condemns the Kennett Government for gross dishonesty towards the Victorian people.
- 413. MR SPRY To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts for improving access to the arts for all Victorians and for promoting the arts as a key part of the lives of all Victorians.
- 414. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the privatisation-crazed Minister for Transport for causing 400 country workers to lose their jobs on Friday, 30 April 1999 as part of the Government's anti-country privatisation of V/Line Freight.
- 415. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the commitment of \$102 million annually to boost literacy in the crucial first three years of primary school through the Early Years Literacy Program which has created 1000 new classroom teaching jobs, many of which will be filled this year by bright, young graduate teachers.
- 416. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport over his specious claim on Tuesday, 4 May 1999 that "Victoria took the lead" on public transport access for the disabled, and notes that the Autumn edition of 'Quadrangle' the official journal of the Australian Quadriplegic Association detailed the Victorian Government's intransigence on this issue, including an original commitment to only 68.79% of trams within 20 years as opposed to the draft standards 100%, and calls on the Minister to apologise to the Parliament, as well as the disabled community, for his willingness to play politics in such a disadvantaged section of the Victorian community.
- 417. MR LUPTON To move, That this House commends the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on his efforts to increase the competitiveness of our industries through a more flexible and relevant training system.
- 418. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for misleading the House on 13 April 1999, when he stated that in Victoria there was no bipartisan approach to juvenile justice, when in fact he as Minister acknowledged in the House on 29 October 1996 the benefit of that bipartisan approach to the State's juvenile justice system and further notes this bipartisanship was acknowledged by the Member for Warrnambool on 13 March 1991, the Member for Seymour on 29 October 1992, by the Member for Bendigo East on 22 April 1993 and by the Honourable Rob Knowles, MLC, in another place, on 6 November 1992.
- 419. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House commends the Government for implementing water reforms that have delivered savings of an average 18% to households in metropolitan and country Victoria.

- 420. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That the Government condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his distasteful and sexist tirade against women in Parliament and women in public life for being out of their depth in desiring family friendly parliamentary times.
- 421. MS KOSKY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to publicly discipline the Member for Forest Hill for his misogynistic comments against female parliamentarians in the House on 11 May 1999.
- 422. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his insensitive comments made about female parliamentarians on 11 May 1999 in this House and calls on the Premier to publicly distance himself from this Member.
- 423. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outlandish and unacceptable remarks criticising those Members of Parliament for combining their work with parenthood.
- 424. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the introduction of more than 200 additional trips per week by the National Bus Company, further improving the public transport options for the people of Melbourne's east.
- 425. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outrageously patronising and misogynistic lecture on 11 May 1999 in this House, attempting to demean women parliamentarians, ridicule women's aspirations in politics and family friendly conditions in Parliament and calls on the Premier to loudly and publicly condemn the Member for his ancient attitudes and re-educate the Members of his Government who hold similar attitudes.
- 426. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its comprehensive and responsible liquor law reform which makes Victoria the best state in which the licensed hospitality industry has to operate.
- 427. MR HULLS To move, That this House congratulates the employees and volunteers for their hard and tireless work at Community Legal Centres and condemns the Attorney-General for her failure to rule out the closure of such centres which play an integral role in providing access to justice to disadvantaged Victorians.
- 428. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his patronising, sexist, outdated and offensive statements on 11 May 1999 in this House that if female Members cannot stand the heat in the kitchen they should get out, on the flimsy basis that Members argued for sensible and family friendly sitting hours.
- 429. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the State Emergency Service for the provision of road accident reform in Victoria.
- 430. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Premier for providing a workplace where working conditions and work practices belong to the 19th century, as do some of the attitudes of Members of the Government like the Member for Forest Hill, and calls on the Premier to adopt the proposals of the Member for Altona for workplace reform.
- 431. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on legislation for the protection of citizens privacy in Victoria.

- 432. MRS WILSON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his sexist remarks and lack of understanding of the position of female Members of this House who seek to balance their parliamentary duties with their family responsibilities.
- 433. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to remove unregistered builders from the domestic building industry.
- 434. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House applauds the efforts of modern and efficient employers who accept, understand and make provision for the responsibilities of working parents and calls on the Premier to adopt the Member for Altona's proposals.
- 435. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Junior Landcare Initiative* which provides support to increase awareness and participation in land and water management amongst Victoria's rural youth.
- *436. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Transport to immediately (a) install wicket gates at the Sydenham Railway Station with fencing improvement, footpaths and safe access for pedestrians; and (b) separate the car parking from the pedestrians who use the train station and level crossing from the bus stop.
- *437. **MR LANGDON** To move, That this House (a) condemns the Government for offering no assistance to small business, or support for the general public on the issue of bank closures, in particular to the residents and small businesses of West Heidelberg whose only banking facility is the Commonwealth Bank in the Mall Shopping Centre, Bell Street and which is under threat of closure; and (b) notes the stark contrast to the assistance the Government has given to Bruce Matheson and his company in their attempt to build a large poker machine venue at the old Coloseum Hotel in West Heidelberg.
- *438. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to support economic development for Aboriginal people and recognises the contribution the development of new enterprises will make to employment in Aboriginal communities and the overall Victorian economy.
- *439. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to take immediate action in developing the Keilor/Melton Highway and the level crossing at Sydenham for the safety of the community that is using the Keilor/Melton Highway and the communities of Taylors Lakes and Sydenham and surrounding districts to prevent any further fatality occurring in that locality.
- *440. **MR PLOWMAN** (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its vision and commitment to long term sustainability and profitability following the release of a Five Year Plan for the Grains Industry.
- *441. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Transport to take immediate action to (a) underground the railway line from the Furlong Road level crossing to past the Sydenham level crossing for the safety of the people in the area who are using the railway line; and (b) provide adequate access for car parking and pedestrian traffic in a safe environment.

- *442. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- *443. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Government for not providing adequate funds for the reconstruction of Lower Plenty Road and to modify the pedestrian overpass on Lower Plenty Road opposite St Martins Church to ensure pedestrian access for the frail, the elderly and the disabled
- *444. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its work in constructing the Boronia rail crossing project, thus eliminating one of Melbourne's worst traffic spots.
- *445. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to take immediate action to underground the railway line at St Albans Furlong Road, Taylors Road and Sydenham for the safety of the people in the region and for the survival of the St Albans shopping village.
- *446. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government on its commitment to the professional development of teachers and to improving the status of the teaching profession; including the 8% pay increase offer that will ensure Victorian teachers, principals and support staff will be the highest paid in Australia and will enable them to salary package private superannuation, vehicle leasing and health insurance.
- *447. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government and the Minister for Planning and Local Government for failing to rule out any compulsory acquisition of Spring Gully Reserve which will allow the old Niddrie Quarry site to be turned into a toxic dump.
- *448. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, that this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his continued efforts in attracting more full fee paying international students to Victoria.
- *449. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately provide support for the growth corridor of Taylors Lakes and Sydenham including adequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged care services, recreation, sporting facilities and community services.
- *450. MR SPRY To move, that this House commends the government for lowering State debt from \$32 billion to \$6 billion, reducing per capita state debt from \$7000 per person to \$2500 per person.
- *451. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to –
 (a) honour its 1996 election promise to build the district police head quarters at the old Coloseum Hotel site at the corner of Oriel Road and Bell Street, Heidelberg West;
 (b) provide funding to ensure the Police Stations in Heidelberg West and Heidelberg are adequately staffed; and (c) guarantee the future of the Heidelberg West Police Station.
- *452. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on mandating the \$9 million extension of the No. 109 tram route from Mont Albert to Box Hill as part of the Government public transport franchising program.

- *453. MR SEITZ To move, That this House condemns the Government for its mismanagement of the environment in the Western Suburbs by allowing contaminated soils to be dumped in the region from the City Link and the Docklands projects.
- *454. **MR HULLS –** To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for the way she has handled her portfolios but wishes her well in her retirement.
- *455. MR FINN To move, that this House congratulates the Australian Grand Prix Corporation on (a) the 1998 Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix at Phillip Island being voted the Best Motorcycle Grand Prix in the world in 1998 by the international road racing teams; and (b) the Qantas Australian Formula One Grand Prix being named the Best Grand Prix in the FIA Formula One World Championships two years running.
- *456. MR THWAITES To move, That this House congratulates the retiring Member for Brighton on his opposition to inappropriate planning policies of this Government in Brighton and calls on the Minister for Planning and Local Government to take notice of this opposition.
- *457. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police for his leadership role in policing and implementation of innovative drugs policy.
- *458. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately put plans into action to provide for a linear park along the whole of the Kororoit Creek before it is too late to save this natural waterway in the Western suburbs.
- *459. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Attorney-General for significantly improving the rights of Victorians by establishing the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.
- *460. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the broken promises of the Coalition Party to fund library works in Castlemaine and notes that the Community Support Fund is being used as a Melbourne slush fund and calls for the Castlemaine library project to be funded, as promised.
- *461. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on (a) its recognition of the value of the racing industry to the Victorian economy, its contribution to the tourism and entertainment sectors and its recreational importance to thousands of Victorians; and (b) its role in making Victorian racing more competitive and the envy of all other States and Territories of Australia by encouraging the industry to accept and introduce a range of reforms as well as legislating to (i) allow telephone betting by bookmakers; (ii) free up sports betting restrictions; (iii) provide for the establishment of a sports betting auditorium; and (iv) privatise the Totalizator Agency Board.
- *462. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately make appropriate funds available to safeguard and upgrade the Taylors Creek and its contributories to provide a natural environment of this waterway through Taylors Lakes.
- *463. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to reducing litter entering our waterways.

- *464. MR HAERMEYER- To move, That this House (a) condemns the Government for its failure to provide funds to realign Arthur's Creek Road at Hurtsbridge and provide for a new bridge upstream of the existing Monash Bridge; and (b) notes that this road and the existing bridge constitute a major black spot which places at risk the lives and safety of all users of that road.
- *465. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the implementation of the Koori Services Improvement Strategy which, in partnership with Victoria's Aboriginal community, is contributing to the health and social well-being of Victoria's Aboriginal people.
- *466. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his appalling mishandling of his portfolio and looks forward to his imminent retirement.
- *467. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House commends the Government on the progress to date in meeting its objective to sewer rural and regional townships and implement water quality infrastructure which meet World Health Organisation standards.

MR HAERMEYER – To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the needs of people in the north of Nillumbik Shire with adequate ambulance

*469. MR ASHELEY – To move, That this House commends the Government on the launch of the Self-Governing Schools Initiative providing Victorian schools with the opportunity to build on and further develop the current Schools of the Future model and strengthen the government school system by encouraging greater diversity and expanding links between schools and the community.

services and acceptable response times.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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- PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) – Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community – To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) – Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria – To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).

- 5. **SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM** *Resumption of debate on the question* That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (*Mr Elder*).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) – Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means – To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).

- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. **SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. **COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK** Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less

- individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. STEEL-JAWED TRAPS Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. **KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)

- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. **MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) – Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government – To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).

- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. **MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 45. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).

- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- 51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 53. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).
- 55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (Mr Andrianopoulos).
- 56. CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority - To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 57. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).

- 58. RACIAL DISCRIMINATION Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (4 May 1999)
 Praying that the Government immediately launches an investigation in relation to occurrences of racial abuse and vilification generally, particularly in respect of Captain Frank and Elisabeth Staberhofer of Captain's Lodge International Motel, Sale To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 59. **SOCIAL POLICIES** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education (Mr Lean).
- 60. **PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM -** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that there be no further cuts to government education and that adequate resources be provided to ensure a properly resourced, high quality system of public education To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 61. SCHOOL BUS SERVICES Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government provides appropriate space on buses, whether contract services or regular public bus services so that children of non-Government and Government schools may be able to get to school safely and on time with no risk that children will be left on the side of the road To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 62. McDONALD'S FRANCHISE IN DIAMOND CREEK Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that planning approval not be given to a McDonald's franchise in Chute Street, Diamond Creek if it is going to cause traffic chaos and pose a danger to the local primary school children To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 63. **DRYSDALE POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to force the closure of the Drysdale Police Station To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 64. MOUNT EVELYN POLICE STATION Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to close the Mount Evelyn Police Station and increase active police presence in the area To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 65. BLACKBURN HIGH SCHOOL COUNCIL Petition presented by the Member for Mitcham (12 May 1999) – Praying that the Ministry of Education rejects Blackburn High School Council's application to become a self-governing school and therefore allows for appropriate consultation with the community – To be considered (Mr Robinson).
- 66. **REDUCTION IN PUBLIC SECTOR DEBT** Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about (Mr Clark).
- *67. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE FUNDING Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government acts on the request for more funding for the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and reconsiders its decision to privatise it To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- *68. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE COMMUNITY USAGE Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government (a) reconsiders its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre;

- (b) protects the Red Cross Centre, bowling green, and memorial gardens from any future works; and (c) ensures that the original Austin Hospital site is retained for community usage and not sold To be considered (*Mr Langdon*).
- *69. **AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE OVERDEVELOPMENT -** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government (a) reconsiders its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre; (b) protects the Red Cross Centre, bowling green, and memorial gardens from any future works; and (c) introduces measures to protect the local area from any ill effects of the massive overdevelopment of the Repatriation site To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- *70. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE ACCESS Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and acts to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAYS

WEDNESDAY, 26 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

 MARINE (AMENDMENT) BILL – (from Council) – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).

THURSDAY, 27 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

 LONGFORD ROYAL COMMISSION (REPORT) BILL – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT)** Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- **FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT)** Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex-officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2,00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

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Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

Mr Speaker takes the Chair at Ten o'clock

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government for initiating
 policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system
 and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system.
- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 3. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 4. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling
 the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling
 mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 7. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 8. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members
 of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for
 its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.

- 10. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 11. **MR THWAITES** To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 12. **MR THOMPSON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 13. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 14. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 15. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 16. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 17. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.

- 18. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 19. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 20. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 21. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 22. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 23. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 24. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 25. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 26. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 27. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 28. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 29. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 30. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 31. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.

- 32. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 33. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 34. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 35. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 36. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 37. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 38. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 39. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 40. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 41. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 42. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.

- 43. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 44. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 45. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 46. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the north west area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 47. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 48. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 49. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 51. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 52. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 53. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.

- 54. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 55. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 56. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 57. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 58. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 59. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 60. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 61. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 62. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 63. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 64. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 65. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.

- 66. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 67. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 68. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 69. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 70. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 72. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 73. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 74. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 75. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.

- 76. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 77. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 78. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 79. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 80. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 81. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 82. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 83. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 84. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 85. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 86. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.

- 87. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 88. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 89. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 90. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 91. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 92. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 93. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 95. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 96. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 97. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.

- 98. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 99. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 100. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 101. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 102. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 103. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 104. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 105. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- 106. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a

- co- operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 107. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 109. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 110. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 111. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 112. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 113. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House -114. (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.

- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and 115. Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 116. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 117. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 118. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 119. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 120. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 121. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus

- services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 123. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 124. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 125. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 126. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 127. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre-selection process.
- 128. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 129. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 130. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 131. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.

- 132. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 133. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 134. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 135. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 136. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 137. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 138. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 139. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 140. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.

- 141. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor- General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor- General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 142. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 143. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 144. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 145. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 146. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 147. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 148. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 149. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 150. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.

- 151. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 152. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 153. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 154. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 155. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 156. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 157. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 158. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 159. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-to-vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 160. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi- sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- 161. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the

- Auditor- General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 162. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 163. **MR HULLS** To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 164. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 165. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south- east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 166. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993-97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- 167. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 168. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".

- 169. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 170. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 171. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 175. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.

- 176. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 177. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 178. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 179. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 180. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 181. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 182. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 183. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 184. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 185. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.

- 186. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 187. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 188. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 189. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 190. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 191. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 192. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 193. **MR FINN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 194. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.

- 195. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 196. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 197. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- 198. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitors that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.

- 199. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 200. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 201. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the 202. Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 203. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 204. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and

- in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 205. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 206. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 207. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 208. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 209. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 210. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 211. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 212. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.

- 213. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 214. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 215. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 216. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 217. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 218. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 219. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 220. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.

- 221. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 222. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 223. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 224. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 225. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 226. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 227. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 228. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 229. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 230. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.

- 231. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 232. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 233. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 234. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 235. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 236. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 237. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 238. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 239. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.

- 240. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 241. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 242. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 243. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 244. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 245. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 246. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 247. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.

- 248. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 249. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 250. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 251. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 252. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 253. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 254. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 255. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 256. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 257. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its

- words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 258. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 259. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 260. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 261. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 262. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 263. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 264. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 265. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage

- new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 266. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 267. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 268. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 269. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 271. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 272. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 273. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians

- who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 274. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 275. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 276. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 277. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 278. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 279. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 280. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 281. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.

- 283. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 284. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 285. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 286. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 287. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 288. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 289. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 290. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 291. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.

- 292. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 293. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 294. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 295. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 296. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 297. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 298. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.

- 299. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 301. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 302. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 303. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 304. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 305. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 306. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 307. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses

- who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 308. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 309. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 310. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 311. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 312. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 313. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 314. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 315. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 316. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.

- 317. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 318. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 319. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 320. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 321. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 322. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 323. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 324. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- 325. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 326. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 327. **MR THWAITES** To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.

- 328. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 329. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 330. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 331. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 332. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 333. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 334. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- 335. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 336. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 337. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 338. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.

- 339. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 340. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 341. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 342. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 343. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 344. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 345. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- 346. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 347. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the Play it Safe by the Water campaign and the Life Saving into the 21st Century program.
- 348. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.

- 349. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 350. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 351. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the Rabbit Buster Initiative which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 352. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 353. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 354. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 355. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 356. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 357. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report

- entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 358. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 359. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 360. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 361. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 362. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 363. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 364. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 365. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- 366. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 367. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 368. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.

- 369. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 370. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a tape-recorded interview.
- 371. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 372. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 373. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 374. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 375. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 376. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.
- 377. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 378. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.

- 379. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 380. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 381. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 382. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 383. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 384. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 385. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 386. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 387. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 388. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 389. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.

- 390. DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 391. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 392. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 393. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 394. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.
- 395. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- 396. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- 397. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- 398. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.
- 399. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.

- 400. MS DAVIES To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- 401. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- 402. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.
- 403. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.
- 404. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for attempting to defraud the Victorian electorate by promising 400 additional police when at \$20 million per year, he is only providing ongoing funding for 235.
- 405. MR LEAN To move, That the Government be commended for the *Bringing the Bay to Life Initiative* which will help to protect and enhance Port Phillip Bay's wonderful natural assets, provide improved boating and recreational facilities and encourage sensitive development opportunities where appropriate.
- 406. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for her attempt to close down freedom of information in the State.
- 407. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in joint venture housing projects with local government and community groups to provide improved housing for older Victorians.
- 408. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for deliberately deceiving the Victorian people in 1992 for promising to increase police numbers by "more than 1000 to 11,000" when he has in fact cut police numbers by more than 800 since 1996, while crime has continued to rise year after year.
- 409. MR TREASURE To move, That this House applauds the Government's timely and thorough response to addressing the social and economic problems caused by extensive flooding in Gippsland and North East Victoria.
- 410. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the Premier's promise to increase police numbers by a purported 400 police and condemns the Premier for gross deceit and breathtaking egoism given that (a) by the time the first of any of these police

would graduate from the Police Academy the number of police will be down to 9380; and (b) the addition of 400 officers will leave police strength at 9780, only 130 more than at the moment, more than 500 less than three years ago and 1280 short of his earlier promise of 11,000.

- 411. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program to reform and streamline Victoria's planning processes and commends municipal councils for their endeavours to implement new planning schemes.
- 412. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes that none of the Kennett Government's promises of 400 additional police will be delivered before the forthcoming election and also notes that the Premier has deceived the electorate with such false promises before and accordingly condemns the Kennett Government for gross dishonesty towards the Victorian people.
- 413. MR SPRY To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts for improving access to the arts for all Victorians and for promoting the arts as a key part of the lives of all Victorians.
- 414. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the privatisation-crazed Minister for Transport for causing 400 country workers to lose their jobs on Friday, 30 April 1999 as part of the Government's anti-country privatisation of V/Line Freight.
- 415. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the commitment of \$102 million annually to boost literacy in the crucial first three years of primary school through the Early Years Literacy Program which has created 1000 new classroom teaching jobs, many of which will be filled this year by bright, young graduate teachers.
- 416. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport over his specious claim on Tuesday, 4 May 1999 that "Victoria took the lead" on public transport access for the disabled, and notes that the Autumn edition of 'Quadrangle' the official journal of the Australian Quadriplegic Association detailed the Victorian Government's intransigence on this issue, including an original commitment to only 68.79% of trams within 20 years as opposed to the draft standards 100%, and calls on the Minister to apologise to the Parliament, as well as the disabled community, for his willingness to play politics in such a disadvantaged section of the Victorian community.
- 417. MR LUPTON To move, That this House commends the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on his efforts to increase the competitiveness of our industries through a more flexible and relevant training system.
- 418. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for misleading the House on 13 April 1999, when he stated that in Victoria there was no bipartisan approach to juvenile justice, when in fact he as Minister acknowledged in the House on 29 October 1996 the benefit of that bipartisan approach to the State's juvenile justice system and further notes this bipartisanship was acknowledged by the Member for Warrnambool on 13 March 1991, the Member for Seymour on 29 October 1992, by the Member for Bendigo East on 22 April 1993 and by the Honourable Rob Knowles, MLC, in another place, on 6 November 1992.
- 419. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House commends the Government for implementing water reforms that have delivered savings of an average 18% to households in metropolitan and country Victoria.

- 420. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That the Government condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his distasteful and sexist tirade against women in Parliament and women in public life for being out of their depth in desiring family friendly parliamentary times.
- 421. MS KOSKY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to publicly discipline the Member for Forest Hill for his misogynistic comments against female parliamentarians in the House on 11 May 1999.
- 422. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his insensitive comments made about female parliamentarians on 11 May 1999 in this House and calls on the Premier to publicly distance himself from this Member.
- 423. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outlandish and unacceptable remarks criticising those Members of Parliament for combining their work with parenthood.
- 424. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the introduction of more than 200 additional trips per week by the National Bus Company, further improving the public transport options for the people of Melbourne's east.
- 425. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outrageously patronising and misogynistic lecture on 11 May 1999 in this House, attempting to demean women parliamentarians, ridicule women's aspirations in politics and family friendly conditions in Parliament and calls on the Premier to loudly and publicly condemn the Member for his ancient attitudes and re-educate the Members of his Government who hold similar attitudes.
- 426. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its comprehensive and responsible liquor law reform which makes Victoria the best state in which the licensed hospitality industry has to operate.
- 427. MR HULLS To move, That this House congratulates the employees and volunteers for their hard and tireless work at Community Legal Centres and condemns the Attorney-General for her failure to rule out the closure of such centres which play an integral role in providing access to justice to disadvantaged Victorians.
- 428. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his patronising, sexist, outdated and offensive statements on 11 May 1999 in this House that if female Members cannot stand the heat in the kitchen they should get out, on the flimsy basis that Members argued for sensible and family friendly sitting hours.
- 429. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House congratulates the State Emergency Service for the provision of road accident reform in Victoria.
- 430. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House condemns the Premier for providing a workplace where working conditions and work practices belong to the 19th century, as do some of the attitudes of Members of the Government like the Member for Forest Hill, and calls on the Premier to adopt the proposals of the Member for Altona for workplace reform.
- 431. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on legislation for the protection of citizens privacy in Victoria.

- 432. MRS WILSON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his sexist remarks and lack of understanding of the position of female Members of this House who seek to balance their parliamentary duties with their family responsibilities.
- 433. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to remove unregistered builders from the domestic building industry.
- 434. MS GILLETT To move, That this House applauds the efforts of modern and efficient employers who accept, understand and make provision for the responsibilities of working parents and calls on the Premier to adopt the Member for Altona's proposals.
- 435. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Junior Landcare Initiative* which provides support to increase awareness and participation in land and water management amongst Victoria's rural youth.
- 436. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Transport to immediately (a) install wicket gates at the Sydenham Railway Station with fencing improvement, footpaths and safe access for pedestrians; and (b) separate the car parking from the pedestrians who use the train station and level crossing from the bus stop.
- 437. MR LANGDON To move, That this House (a) condemns the Government for offering no assistance to small business, or support for the general public on the issue of bank closures, in particular to the residents and small businesses of West Heidelberg whose only banking facility is the Commonwealth Bank in the Mall Shopping Centre, Bell Street and which is under threat of closure; and (b) notes the stark contrast to the assistance the Government has given to Bruce Matheson and his company in their attempt to build a large poker machine venue at the old Coloseum Hotel in West Heidelberg.
- 438. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to support economic development for Aboriginal people and recognises the contribution the development of new enterprises will make to employment in Aboriginal communities and the overall Victorian economy.
- 439. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to take immediate action in developing the Keilor/Melton Highway and the level crossing at Sydenham for the safety of the community that is using the Keilor/Melton Highway and the communities of Taylors Lakes and Sydenham and surrounding districts to prevent any further fatality occurring in that locality.
- 440. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its vision and commitment to long term sustainability and profitability following the release of a Five Year Plan for the Grains Industry.
- 441. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Transport to take immediate action to (a) underground the railway line from the Furlong Road level crossing to past the Sydenham level crossing for the safety of the people in the area who are using the railway line; and (b) provide adequate access for car parking and pedestrian traffic in a safe environment.

- 442. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 443. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Government for not providing adequate funds for the reconstruction of Lower Plenty Road and to modify the pedestrian overpass on Lower Plenty Road opposite St Martins Church to ensure pedestrian access for the frail, the elderly and the disabled
- 444. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its work in constructing the Boronia rail crossing project, thus eliminating one of Melbourne's worst traffic spots.
- 445. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to take immediate action to underground the railway line at St Albans - Furlong Road, Taylors Road and Sydenham for the safety of the people in the region and for the survival of the St Albans shopping village.
- 446. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government on its commitment to the professional development of teachers and to improving the status of the teaching profession; including the 8% pay increase offer that will ensure Victorian teachers, principals and support staff will be the highest paid in Australia and will enable them to salary package private superannuation, vehicle leasing and health insurance.
- 447. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government and the Minister for Planning and Local Government for failing to rule out any compulsory acquisition of Spring Gully Reserve which will allow the old Niddrie Quarry site to be turned into a toxic dump.
- 448. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, that this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his continued efforts in attracting more full fee paying international students to Victoria.
- 449. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately provide support for the growth corridor of Taylors Lakes and Sydenham including adequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged care services, recreation, sporting facilities and community services.
- 450. MR SPRY To move, that this House commends the government for lowering State debt from \$32 billion to \$6 billion, reducing per capita state debt from \$7000 per person to \$2500 per person.
- 451. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to (a) honour its 1996 election promise to build the district police head quarters at the old Coloseum Hotel site at the corner of Oriel Road and Bell Street, Heidelberg West; (b) provide funding to ensure the Police Stations in Heidelberg West and Heidelberg are adequately staffed; and (c) guarantee the future of the Heidelberg West Police Station.
- 452. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on mandating the \$9 million extension of the No. 109 tram route from Mont Albert to Box Hill as part of the Government public transport franchising program.

- 453. MR SEITZ To move, That this House condemns the Government for its mismanagement of the environment in the Western Suburbs by allowing contaminated soils to be dumped in the region from the City Link and the Docklands projects.
- 454. **MR HULLS** To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for the way she has handled her portfolios but wishes her well in her retirement.
- 455. MR FINN To move, that this House congratulates the Australian Grand Prix Corporation on (a) the 1998 Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix at Phillip Island being voted the Best Motorcycle Grand Prix in the world in 1998 by the international road racing teams; and (b) the Qantas Australian Formula One Grand Prix being named the Best Grand Prix in the FIA Formula One World Championships two years running.
- 456. **MR THWAITES** To move, That this House congratulates the retiring Member for Brighton on his opposition to inappropriate planning policies of this Government in Brighton and calls on the Minister for Planning and Local Government to take notice of this opposition.
- 457. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police for his leadership role in policing and implementation of innovative drugs policy.
- 458. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately put plans into action to provide for a linear park along the whole of the Kororoit Creek before it is too late to save this natural waterway in the Western suburbs.
- 459. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Attorney-General for significantly improving the rights of Victorians by establishing the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.
- 460. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the broken promises of the Coalition Party to fund library works in Castlemaine and notes that the Community Support Fund is being used as a Melbourne slush fund and calls for the Castlemaine library project to be funded, as promised.
- 461. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on (a) its recognition of the value of the racing industry to the Victorian economy, its contribution to the tourism and entertainment sectors and its recreational importance to thousands of Victorians; and (b) its role in making Victorian racing more competitive and the envy of all other States and Territories of Australia by encouraging the industry to accept and introduce a range of reforms as well as legislating to (i) allow telephone betting by bookmakers; (ii) free up sports betting restrictions; (iii) provide for the establishment of a sports betting auditorium; and (iv) privatise the Totalizator Agency Board.
- 462. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately make appropriate funds available to safeguard and upgrade the Taylors Creek and its contributories to provide a natural environment of this waterway through Taylors Lakes.
- 463. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to reducing litter entering our waterways.

- 464. MR HAERMEYER- To move, That this House (a) condemns the Government for its failure to provide funds to realign Arthur's Creek Road at Hurstbridge and provide for a new bridge upstream of the existing Monash Bridge; and (b) notes that this road and the existing bridge constitute a major black spot which places at risk the lives and safety of all users of that road.
- 465. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the implementation of the Koori Services Improvement Strategy which, in partnership with Victoria's Aboriginal community, is contributing to the health and social well-being of Victoria's Aboriginal people.
- 466. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his appalling mishandling of his portfolio and looks forward to his imminent retirement.
- 467. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House commends the Government on the progress to date in meeting its objective to sewer rural and regional townships and implement water quality infrastructure which meet World Health Organisation standards.
- 468. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the needs of people in the north of Nillumbik Shire with adequate ambulance services and acceptable response times.
- 469. MR ASHELEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the launch of the Self-Governing Schools Initiative providing Victorian schools with the opportunity to build on and further develop the current Schools of the Future model and strengthen the government school system by encouraging greater diversity and expanding links between schools and the community.
- *470. MR HAERMEYER To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998 to correct a loophole relating to the limit on the proportion of packaged liquor licenses that can be held by any person, body corporate or related entities, and for other purposes.
- *471. MS KOSKY To move, That the Sessional Orders be amended as follows (1) Paragraph 1 be omitted and the following paragraph inserted in place thereof: "1. Unless otherwise ordered, the House shall meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday on the following basis: (i) Mr Speaker to take the Chair at 2.00 p.m. on a Tuesday and at 9.30 am on a Wednesday and Thursday; (ii) The House shall not suspend business for the purposes of a lunch break on any day; (iii) Any division called for in the House between 1.00 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. on any day shall stand deferred until after the conclusion of Oral Questions that day; and (iv) The House shall rise at 8.15 p.m. each day."; and (2) Paragraph 5(1) be amended by omitting "10.00 p.m." where twice occurring and inserting "7.30 p.m.".

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 2. **PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria To be considered (*Mr Savage*).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) - Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. **METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service;

- (b) attempting to cover—up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question - That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) – Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act – To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 27. **KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumbu).
- 28. PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. **ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR -** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (*Mr Langdon*).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).

- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means - To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) - Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip - To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 42. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 43. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST -** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (*Mr Cameron*).
- 45. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).

- 53. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).
- 55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (Mr Andrianopoulos).
- 56. CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 57. **CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM** Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).
- 58. RACIAL DISCRIMINATION Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (4 May 1999) Praying that the Government immediately launches an investigation in relation to occurrences of racial abuse and vilification generally, particularly in respect of Captain Frank and Elisabeth Staberhofer of Captain's Lodge International Motel, Sale To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 59. **SOCIAL POLICIES** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education (Mr Lean).
- 60. **PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that there be no further cuts to government education and that adequate resources be provided to ensure a properly resourced, high quality system of public education To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 61. SCHOOL BUS SERVICES Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government provides appropriate space on buses, whether contract services or regular public bus services so that children of non-Government and Government schools may be able to get to school safely and on time with no risk that children will be left on the side of the road To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 62. McDONALD'S FRANCHISE IN DIAMOND CREEK Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) - Praying that planning approval not be given to a McDonald's franchise in Chute Street, Diamond Creek if it is going to cause traffic chaos and pose a danger to the local primary school children - To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).

- 63. **DRYSDALE POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to force the closure of the Drysdale Police Station To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 64. MOUNT EVELYN POLICE STATION Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to close the Mount Evelyn Police Station and increase active police presence in the area To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 65. **BLACKBURN HIGH SCHOOL COUNCIL** Petition presented by the Member for Mitcham (12 May 1999) Praying that the Ministry of Education rejects Blackburn High School Council's application to become a self-governing school and therefore allows for appropriate consultation with the community To be considered (Mr Robinson).
- 66. **REDUCTION IN PUBLIC SECTOR DEBT** Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about (Mr Clark).
- 67. **AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE FUNDING -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government acts on the request for more funding for the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and reconsiders its decision to privatise it To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 68. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE COMMUNITY USAGE Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government (a) reconsiders its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre; (b) protects the Red Cross Centre, bowling green, and memorial gardens from any future works; and (c) ensures that the original Austin Hospital site is retained for community usage and not sold To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 69. **AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE OVERDEVELOPMENT -** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government (a) reconsiders its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre; (b) protects the Red Cross Centre, bowling green, and memorial gardens from any future works; and (c) introduces measures to protect the local area from any ill effects of the massive overdevelopment of the Repatriation site To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 70. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE ACCESS Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and acts to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- *71. PRESTON AND NORTHCOTE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Preston (25 May 1999) Praying that the Government makes no decision on the Preston and Northcote Community Hospital site without consultation and agreement of the community To be considered (Mr Leighton).

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- *1. MR KENNETT To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to request the amendment of the Statute of Westminster 1931 of the Parliament of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act of that Parliament in connection with proposed constitutional arrangements to establish the Commonwealth of Australia as a republic.
- *2. MR STOCKDALE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to establish a data protection regime for the public and private sectors, to amend the Parliamentary Committees Act 1968 and certain other Acts and for other purposes.
- *3. MR STOCKDALE To move, That upon the Electricity Industry Acts (Further Amendment) Bill being committed it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to Schedule 4 of the Magistrates' Court Act 1989.
- *4. MR STOCKDALE To move, That upon the Gas Industry Acts (Further Amendment) Bill being committed it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to Schedule 4 of the Magistrates' Court Act 1989.
- *5. MRS TEHAN To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the transfer to the State of the property, rights and liabilities of Melbourne Parks and Waterways, to repeal certain provisions of the Water Industry Act 1994 establishing Melbourne Parks and Waterways, to make further amendments to the Water Act 1989, the Water Industry Act 1994 and other Acts, to provide for the repeal of the Wattle Park Land Act 1991 and for other purposes.
- *6. MRS TEHAN To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision in relation to land at Royal Park.
- *7. DR NAPTHINE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the registration of and investigations into the professional conduct and fitness to practise of registered practitioners of Chinese medicine and dispensers of Chinese herbs, to regulate Chinese medicine and herbal dispensing services, to regulate the advertising of Chinese medicine and herbal dispensing services, to establish a Chinese Medicine Registration Board of Victoria and a Chinese Medicine Registration Board Fund and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. CRIMES (CRIMINAL TRIALS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 2. INTERACTIVE GAMING (PLAYER PROTECTION) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 3. **FOOD (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Thwaites).
- 4. AUSTRALIA ACTS (REQUEST) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

- MARINE (AMENDMENT) BILL (from Council) Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- 6. **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 7. ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 8. GAS INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 9. COMMONWEALTH PLACES (MIRROR TAXES ADMINISTRATION) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 10. RAIL CORPORATIONS AND TRANSPORT ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Batchelor).
- 11. JURIES BILL Second reading.
- 12. **ESTATE AGENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading *Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).*

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAY

THURSDAY, 27 MAY 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

 LONGFORD ROYAL COMMISSION (REPORT) BILL – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

NOTICE OF MOTION

*1. MR GUDE – To move, That until 30 June 2000 inclusive, the resolution authorising the televising and broadcasting of proceedings in the Legislative Assembly agreed to by the House on 18 February 1998 be amended by the omission of paragraphs 1(b)(i) and 1(d)(i).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- *1. ROYAL PARK LAND BILL Second reading.
- FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 3. GAS INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 4. **ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 5. COMMONWEALTH PLACES (MIRROR TAXES ADMINISTRATION) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Mildenhall).
- 6. RAIL CORPORATIONS AND TRANSPORT ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Batchelor).
- JURIES BILL Second reading.
- 8. **LONGFORD ROYAL COMMISSION (REPORT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- 9. FOOD (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate on the question That this Bill be now read a second time and on the amendment That all the words after "That" be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words "this House refuses to read this Bill a second time until proper consultation with local government, small business and the food industry takes place in relation to unnecessary costs and duplication in food safety regulation" (Mr Steggall).
- *10. **CONSTITUTION (REQUESTS) BILL** Second reading.

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- *10. CONSTITUTION (REQUESTS) BILL Second reading.
- *11. DATA PROTECTION BILL Second reading.
- *12. WATER INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading.
- *13. CHINESE MEDICINE REGISTRATION BILL Second reading.
- 14. **ESTATE AGENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 2. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 3. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling
 the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling
 mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 6. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- 7. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- 8. **MR HULLS** To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.

- 9. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 10. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 11. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 12. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 13. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 14. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 15. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.

- 17. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 18. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 19. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 20. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 21. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 22. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 23. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 26. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 27. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 28. MR HAMILTON -To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 29. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 30. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.

- 31. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 32. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 33. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 35. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 36. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 37. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 39. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 40. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 41. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.

- 42. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 43. **MR MILDENHALL** To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 44. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 45. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 46. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 47. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 48. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 49. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 50. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 51. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 52. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.

- 53. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 54. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 55. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 56. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 57. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 58. **MR LEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 59. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 60. **MR COLEMAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 61. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 62. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 63. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 64. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.

- 65. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow— outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 66. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 67. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 68. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 69. **MR LIM** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 70. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 71. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 72. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 73. **MR BRACKS** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 74. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.

- 75. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 76. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 77. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 78. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 79. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 80. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 81. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 82. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 83. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 84. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 85. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.

- 86. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 87. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 88. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 89. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 90. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 91. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 92. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 94. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 95. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 96. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.

- 97. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 98. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 100. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 101. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 102. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 103. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 104. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- 105. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a

- co- operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 106. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 108. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 109. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 110. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 111. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 112. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 113. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.

- 114. MR HAERMEYER - To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 115. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 116. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation Bushfire Blitz, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 117. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 118. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 119. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.

- 120. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 121. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 122. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 123. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 124. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 125. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 126. **MR** LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 *Sunday* program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 127. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 128. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 129. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.

- 130. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 131. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 132. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 133. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 134. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 135. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 137. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 138. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.

- 139. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 141. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 142. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 143. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 144. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 145. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 146. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 147. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 148. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.

- 149. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 150. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 151. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 152. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 153. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 154. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 155. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 156. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 157. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 158. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how- tovote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.

- 159. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor- General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 161. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 162. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 163. **MR MAUGHAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 164. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993–97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.

- 167. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 168. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 169. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 170. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 171. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior

- figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 175. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 176. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 177. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 178. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 180. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 181. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 182. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.

- 183. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 184. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 185. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 186. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 187. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 188. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 189. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 190. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 191. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 192. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.

- 193. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive 194. economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 195. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 196. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- 197. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitions that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to

his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.

- 198. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 199. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 200. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- 201. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 202. **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 203. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as

required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information - (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period – the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.

- 204. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 205. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 206. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 207. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats
- 208. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 209. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 210. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.

- 211. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 212. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 213. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 214. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 215. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 216. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 217. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 218. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.

- 219. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 220. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 221. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 222. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 223. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 224. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 225. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 226. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 227. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 228. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.

- 229. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 230. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 231. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 232. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 233. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 234. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 235. **MS DAVIES** To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 236. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 237. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.

- 238. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 239. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 240. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 241. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 242. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 243. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 244. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 245. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 246. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and

- (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 247. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 248. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 249. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 250. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 251. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 252. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 253. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 254. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 255. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.

- 256. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 257. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 258. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 259. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 260. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 261. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 262. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 263. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.

- 264. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 265. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 266. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 267. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 268. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 270. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 271. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.

- 272. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 273. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 274. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 275. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 276. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 277. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 278. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 279. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 280. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.

- 281. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 282. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 283. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 284. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 285. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 286. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 287. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 288. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 289. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 290. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in

- answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 291. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 292. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 293. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 294. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 295. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 296. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 297. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.

- 298. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 299. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 301. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 302. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 303. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 304. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 305. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 306. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses

- who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 307. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 308. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 309. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 310. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 311. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 312. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 313. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 314. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 315. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.

- 316. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 317. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 318. **MR LONEY** To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 319. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 320. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 321. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 322. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 323. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- 324. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 325. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 326. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.

- 327. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 328. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 329. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 330. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 331. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 332. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 333. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- 334. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 335. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 336. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 337. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.

- 338. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 339. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 340. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 341. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 342. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 343. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 344. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- 345. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 346. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.
- 347. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.

- 348. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 349. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 350. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Rabbit Buster Initiative* which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 351. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 352. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 353. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 354. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 355. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 356. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report

- entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 357. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 358. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 359. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 360. **MR FINN** To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 361. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 362. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 363. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 364. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- 365. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 366. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 367. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.

- 368. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 369. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a taperecorded interview.
- 370. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 371. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 372. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 373. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the *Water for Agriculture Initiative* which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 374. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 375. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.
- 376. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 377. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.

- 378. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 379. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 380. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 381. **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 382. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 383. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 384. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 385. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 386. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 387. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 388. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.

- 389. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 390. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 391. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 392. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 393. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.
- 394. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- 395. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- 396. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- 397. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.
- 398. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.

- 399. **MS DAVIES** To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- 400. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- 401. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.
- 402. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.
- 403. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for attempting to defraud the Victorian electorate by promising 400 additional police when at \$20 million per year, he is only providing ongoing funding for 235.
- 404. MR LEAN To move, That the Government be commended for the *Bringing the Bay to Life Initiative* which will help to protect and enhance Port Phillip Bay's wonderful natural assets, provide improved boating and recreational facilities and encourage sensitive development opportunities where appropriate.
- 405. **MR HULLS** To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for her attempt to close down freedom of information in the State.
- 406. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in joint venture housing projects with local government and community groups to provide improved housing for older Victorians.
- 407. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for deliberately deceiving the Victorian people in 1992 for promising to increase police numbers by "more than 1000 to 11,000" when he has in fact cut police numbers by more than 800 since 1996, while crime has continued to rise year after year.
- 408. MR TREASURE To move, That this House applauds the Government's timely and thorough response to addressing the social and economic problems caused by extensive flooding in Gippsland and North East Victoria.
- 409. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the Premier's promise to increase police numbers by a purported 400 police and condemns the Premier for gross deceit and breathtaking egoism given that (a) by the time the first of any of these police

would graduate from the Police Academy the number of police will be down to 9380; and (b) the addition of 400 officers will leave police strength at 9780, only 130 more than at the moment, more than 500 less than three years ago and 1280 short of his earlier promise of 11,000.

- 410. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program to reform and streamline Victoria's planning processes and commends municipal councils for their endeavours to implement new planning schemes.
- 411. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes that none of the Kennett Government's promises of 400 additional police will be delivered before the forthcoming election and also notes that the Premier has deceived the electorate with such false promises before and accordingly condemns the Kennett Government for gross dishonesty towards the Victorian people.
- 412. MR SPRY To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts for improving access to the arts for all Victorians and for promoting the arts as a key part of the lives of all Victorians.
- 413. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the privatisation-crazed Minister for Transport for causing 400 country workers to lose their jobs on Friday, 30 April 1999 as part of the Government's anti-country privatisation of V/Line Freight.
- 414. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the commitment of \$102 million annually to boost literacy in the crucial first three years of primary school through the Early Years Literacy Program which has created 1000 new classroom teaching jobs, many of which will be filled this year by bright, young graduate teachers.
- 415. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport over his specious claim on Tuesday, 4 May 1999 that "Victoria took the lead" on public transport access for the disabled, and notes that the Autumn edition of 'Quadrangle' the official journal of the Australian Quadriplegic Association detailed the Victorian Government's intransigence on this issue, including an original commitment to only 68.79% of trams within 20 years as opposed to the draft standards 100%, and calls on the Minister to apologise to the Parliament, as well as the disabled community, for his willingness to play politics in such a disadvantaged section of the Victorian community.
- 416. MR LUPTON To move, That this House commends the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on his efforts to increase the competitiveness of our industries through a more flexible and relevant training system.
- 417. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for misleading the House on 13 April 1999, when he stated that in Victoria there was no bipartisan approach to juvenile justice, when in fact he as Minister acknowledged in the House on 29 October 1996 the benefit of that bipartisan approach to the State's juvenile justice system and further notes this bipartisanship was acknowledged by the Member for Warrnambool on 13 March 1991, the Member for Seymour on 29 October 1992, by the Member for Bendigo East on 22 April 1993 and by the Honourable Rob Knowles, MLC, in another place, on 6 November 1992.
- 418. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House commends the Government for implementing water reforms that have delivered savings of an average 18% to households in metropolitan and country Victoria.

- 419. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That the Government condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his distasteful and sexist tirade against women in Parliament and women in public life for being out of their depth in desiring family friendly parliamentary times.
- 420. MS KOSKY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to publicly discipline the Member for Forest Hill for his misogynistic comments against female parliamentarians in the House on 11 May 1999.
- 421. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his insensitive comments made about female parliamentarians on 11 May 1999 in this House and calls on the Premier to publicly distance himself from this Member.
- 422. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outlandish and unacceptable remarks criticising those Members of Parliament for combining their work with parenthood.
- 423. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the introduction of more than 200 additional trips per week by the National Bus Company, further improving the public transport options for the people of Melbourne's east.
- 424. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outrageously patronising and misogynistic lecture on 11 May 1999 in this House, attempting to demean women parliamentarians, ridicule women's aspirations in politics and family friendly conditions in Parliament and calls on the Premier to loudly and publicly condemn the Member for his ancient attitudes and re-educate the Members of his Government who hold similar attitudes.
- 425. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its comprehensive and responsible liquor law reform which makes Victoria the best state in which the licensed hospitality industry has to operate.
- 426. MR HULLS To move, That this House congratulates the employees and volunteers for their hard and tireless work at Community Legal Centres and condemns the Attorney-General for her failure to rule out the closure of such centres which play an integral role in providing access to justice to disadvantaged Victorians.
- 427. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his patronising, sexist, outdated and offensive statements on 11 May 1999 in this House that if female Members cannot stand the heat in the kitchen they should get out, on the flimsy basis that Members argued for sensible and family friendly sitting hours.
- 428. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the State Emergency Service for the provision of road accident reform in Victoria.
- 429. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Premier for providing a workplace where working conditions and work practices belong to the 19th century, as do some of the attitudes of Members of the Government like the Member for Forest Hill, and calls on the Premier to adopt the proposals of the Member for Altona for workplace reform.
- 430. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on legislation for the protection of citizens privacy in Victoria.

- 431. MRS WILSON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his sexist remarks and lack of understanding of the position of female Members of this House who seek to balance their parliamentary duties with their family responsibilities.
- 432. **MR ELDER** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to remove unregistered builders from the domestic building industry.
- 433. MS GILLETT To move, That this House applauds the efforts of modern and efficient employers who accept, understand and make provision for the responsibilities of working parents and calls on the Premier to adopt the Member for Altona's proposals.
- 434. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the Junior Landcare Initiative which provides support to increase awareness and participation in land and water management amongst Victoria's rural youth.
- 435. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Transport to immediately (a) install wicket gates at the Sydenham Railway Station with fencing improvement, footpaths and safe access for pedestrians; and (b) separate the car parking from the pedestrians who use the train station and level crossing from the bus stop.
- 436. MR LANGDON To move, That this House (a) condemns the Government for offering no assistance to small business, or support for the general public on the issue of bank closures, in particular to the residents and small businesses of West Heidelberg whose only banking facility is the Commonwealth Bank in the Mall Shopping Centre, Bell Street and which is under threat of closure; and (b) notes the stark contrast to the assistance the Government has given to Bruce Matheson and his company in their attempt to build a large poker machine venue at the old Coloseum Hotel in West Heidelberg.
- 437. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to support economic development for Aboriginal people and recognises the contribution the development of new enterprises will make to employment in Aboriginal communities and the overall Victorian economy.
- 438. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to take immediate action in developing the Keilor/Melton Highway and the level crossing at Sydenham for the safety of the community that is using the Keilor/Melton Highway and the communities of Taylors Lakes and Sydenham and surrounding districts to prevent any further fatality occurring in that locality.
- 439. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its vision and commitment to long term sustainability and profitability following the release of a Five Year Plan for the Grains Industry.
- 440. **MR SEITZ** To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Transport to take immediate action to (a) underground the railway line from the Furlong Road level crossing to past the Sydenham level crossing for the safety of the people in the area who are using the railway line; and (b) provide adequate access for car parking and pedestrian traffic in a safe environment.
- 441. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.

- 442. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Government for not providing adequate funds for the reconstruction of Lower Plenty Road and to modify the pedestrian overpass on Lower Plenty Road opposite St Martins Church to ensure pedestrian access for the frail, the elderly and the disabled
- 443. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its work in constructing the Boronia rail crossing project, thus eliminating one of Melbourne's worst traffic spots.
- 444. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to take immediate action to underground the railway line at St Albans – Furlong Road, Taylors Road and Sydenham for the safety of the people in the region and for the survival of the St Albans shopping village.
- 445. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government on its commitment to the professional development of teachers and to improving the status of the teaching profession; including the 8% pay increase offer that will ensure Victorian teachers, principals and support staff will be the highest paid in Australia and will enable them to salary package private superannuation, vehicle leasing and health insurance.
- 446. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government and the Minister for Planning and Local Government for failing to rule out any compulsory acquisition of Spring Gully Reserve which will allow the old Niddrie Quarry site to be turned into a toxic dump.
- 447. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, that this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his continued efforts in attracting more full fee paying international students to Victoria.
- 448. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately provide support for the growth corridor of Taylors Lakes and Sydenham including adequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged care services, recreation, sporting facilities and community services.
- 449. MR SPRY To move, that this House commends the government for lowering State debt from \$32 billion to \$6 billion, reducing per capita state debt from \$7000 per person to \$2500 per person.
- 450. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to (a) honour its 1996 election promise to build the district police head quarters at the old Coloseum Hotel site at the corner of Oriel Road and Bell Street, Heidelberg West; (b) provide funding to ensure the Police Stations in Heidelberg West and Heidelberg are adequately staffed; and (c) guarantee the future of the Heidelberg West Police Station.
- 451. **MR ASHLEY –** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on mandating the \$9 million extension of the No. 109 tram route from Mont Albert to Box Hill as part of the Government public transport franchising program.
- 452. MR SEITZ To move, That this House condemns the Government for its mismanagement of the environment in the Western Suburbs by allowing contaminated soils to be dumped in the region from the City Link and the Docklands projects.

- 453. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for the way she has handled her portfolios but wishes her well in her retirement.
- 454. MR FINN To move, that this House congratulates the Australian Grand Prix Corporation on (a) the 1998 Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix at Phillip Island being voted the Best Motorcycle Grand Prix in the world in 1998 by the international road racing teams; and (b) the Qantas Australian Formula One Grand Prix being named the Best Grand Prix in the FIA Formula One World Championships two years running.
- 455. MR THWAITES To move, That this House congratulates the retiring Member for Brighton on his opposition to inappropriate planning policies of this Government in Brighton and calls on the Minister for Planning and Local Government to take notice of this opposition.
- 456. **MR TRAYNOR** To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police for his leadership role in policing and implementation of innovative drugs policy.
- 457. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately put plans into action to provide for a linear park along the whole of the Kororoit Creek before it is too late to save this natural waterway in the Western suburbs.
- 458. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Attorney-General for significantly improving the rights of Victorians by establishing the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.
- 459. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the broken promises of the Coalition Party to fund library works in Castlemaine and notes that the Community Support Fund is being used as a Melbourne slush fund and calls for the Castlemaine library project to be funded, as promised.
- 460. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on (a) its recognition of the value of the racing industry to the Victorian economy, its contribution to the tourism and entertainment sectors and its recreational importance to thousands of Victorians; and (b) its role in making Victorian racing more competitive and the envy of all other States and Territories of Australia by encouraging the industry to accept and introduce a range of reforms as well as legislating to (i) allow telephone betting by bookmakers; (ii) free up sports betting restrictions; (iii) provide for the establishment of a sports betting auditorium; and (iv) privatise the Totalizator Agency Board.
- 461. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately make appropriate funds available to safeguard and upgrade the Taylors Creek and its contributories to provide a natural environment of this waterway through Taylors Lakes.
- 462. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to reducing litter entering our waterways.
- 463. MR HAERMEYER- To move, That this House (a) condemns the Government for its failure to provide funds to realign Arthur's Creek Road at Hurstbridge and provide for a new bridge upstream of the existing Monash Bridge; and (b) notes that this road and the existing bridge constitute a major black spot which places at risk the lives and safety of all users of that road.

- 464. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the implementation of the *Koori Services Improvement Strategy* which, in partnership with Victoria's Aboriginal community, is contributing to the health and social well-being of Victoria's Aboriginal people.
- 465. **MR HAERMEYER** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his appalling mishandling of his portfolio and looks forward to his imminent retirement.
- 466. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House commends the Government on the progress to date in meeting its objective to sewer rural and regional townships and implement water quality infrastructure which meet World Health Organisation standards.
- 467. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the needs of people in the north of Nillumbik Shire with adequate ambulance services and acceptable response times.
- 468. MR ASHELEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the launch of the Self-Governing Schools Initiative providing Victorian schools with the opportunity to build on and further develop the current Schools of the Future model and strengthen the government school system by encouraging greater diversity and expanding links between schools and the community.
- 469. MR HAERMEYER To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998 to correct a loophole relating to the limit on the proportion of packaged liquor licenses that can be held by any person, body corporate or related entities, and for other purposes.
- 470. MS KOSKY To move, That the Sessional Orders be amended as follows (1) Paragraph 1 be omitted and the following paragraph inserted in place thereof: "1. Unless otherwise ordered, the House shall meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday on the following basis: (i) Mr Speaker to take the Chair at 2.00 p.m. on a Tuesday and at 9.30 am on a Wednesday and Thursday; (ii) The House shall not suspend business for the purposes of a lunch break on any day; (iii) Any division called for in the House between 1.00 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. on any day shall stand deferred until after the conclusion of Oral Questions that day; and (iv) The House shall rise at 8.15 p.m. each day."; and (2) Paragraph 5(1) be amended by omitting "10.00 p.m." where twice occurring and inserting "7.30 p.m.".

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) - Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) – Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria – To be considered (Mr Savage).
- AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That
 this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to
 repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the

- Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (*Mr Carli*).
- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. **METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) – Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means – To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. **COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK** Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) – Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115,

- 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. **PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. **KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station

- whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (*Mr Langdon*).
- 30. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. **MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).

- 38. **CRIMES STATISTICS** Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means - To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. **MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 42. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 43. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 46. **PLANNING DECISIONS** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by

- overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (*Mr Dollis*).
- 47. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST -** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 *March* 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (*Ms Davies*).
- 51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 53. **VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. **PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE** Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).
- 55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (Mr Andrianopoulos).

- 56. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 57. **CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM** Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).
- 58. RACIAL DISCRIMINATION Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (4 May 1999) Praying that the Government immediately launches an investigation in relation to occurrences of racial abuse and vilification generally, particularly in respect of Captain Frank and Elisabeth Staberhofer of Captain's Lodge International Motel, Sale To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 59. **SOCIAL POLICIES** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education (Mr Lean).
- 60. **PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that there be no further cuts to government education and that adequate resources be provided to ensure a properly resourced, high quality system of public education To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 61. SCHOOL BUS SERVICES Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government provides appropriate space on buses, whether contract services or regular public bus services so that children of non-Government and Government schools may be able to get to school safely and on time with no risk that children will be left on the side of the road To be considered (*Mr Haermeyer*).
- 62. McDONALD'S FRANCHISE IN DIAMOND CREEK Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that planning approval not be given to a McDonald's franchise in Chute Street, Diamond Creek if it is going to cause traffic chaos and pose a danger to the local primary school children To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 63. **DRYSDALE POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to force the closure of the Drysdale Police Station To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 64. MOUNT EVELYN POLICE STATION Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to close the Mount Evelyn Police Station and increase active police presence in the area To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 65. **BLACKBURN HIGH SCHOOL COUNCIL** Petition presented by the Member for Mitcham (12 May 1999) Praying that the Ministry of Education rejects Blackburn High School Council's application to become a self-governing school and therefore allows for appropriate consultation with the community To be considered (Mr Robinson).

- 66. **REDUCTION IN PUBLIC SECTOR DEBT** Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about (Mr Clark).
- 67. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE FUNDING Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government acts on the request for more funding for the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and reconsiders its decision to privatise it To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 68. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE COMMUNITY USAGE Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government (a) reconsiders its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre; (b) protects the Red Cross Centre, bowling green, and memorial gardens from any future works; and (c) ensures that the original Austin Hospital site is retained for community usage and not sold To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 69. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE OVERDEVELOPMENT Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government (a) reconsiders its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre; (b) protects the Red Cross Centre, bowling green, and memorial gardens from any future works; and (c) introduces measures to protect the local area from any ill effects of the massive overdevelopment of the Repatriation site To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 70. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE ACCESS Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and acts to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 71. PRESTON AND NORTHCOTE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Preston (25 May 1999) Praying that the Government makes no decision on the Preston and Northcote Community Hospital site without consultation and agreement of the community To be considered (Mr Leighton).
- *72. PLANNING SYSTEM/GOOD DESIGN GUIDE Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (26 May 1999) Praying that the Government thoroughly reviews the current planning system and the Good Design Guide as it cannot be fixed by the current cosmetic changes To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- *73. **INCREASE OF POLICE NUMBERS** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (26 May 1999) Praying that the Government honours its 1996 election campaign promise to increase the number of police in Victoria to 11,000 as reductions in police numbers have placed at risk community security and safety To be considered (*Mr Langdon*).

*74. **PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEM** – Resumption of debate on the question – That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system (Mr Rowe).

R. W. PURDEY
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House).

Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. ROYAL PARK LAND BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- 2. RAIL CORPORATIONS AND TRANSPORT ACTS (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Batchelor).
- 3. LONGFORD ROYAL COMMISSION (REPORT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Loney).
- FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Perrin).
- 5. FOOD (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate on the question That this Bill be now read a second time and on the amendment That all the words after "That" be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words "this House refuses to read this Bill a second time until proper consultation with local government, small business and the food industry takes place in relation to unnecessary costs and duplication in food safety regulation" (Mr Steggall).
- 6. GAS INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL To be committed.
- 7. ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ACTS (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Clark).
- 8. CONSTITUTION (REQUESTS) BILL Second reading.
- 9. **DATA PROTECTION BILL** Second reading.
- 10. **WATER INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading.
- 11. CHINESE MEDICINE REGISTRATION BILL Second reading.
- 12. **ESTATE AGENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 2. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- 3. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- 4. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 6. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.
- MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members
 of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for
 its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 9. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.

- 10. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 11. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 12. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 13. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 14. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 15. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 16. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 17. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 19. **MR SPRY** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 20. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.

- 21. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 22. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 23. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 24. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 25. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 26. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 27. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 28. MR HAMILTON –To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.
- 29. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 30. **MS KOSKY** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 31. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 32. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 33. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998– 99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.

- 34. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 35. **MR WELLS** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 36. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 37. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 39. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 40. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.
- 41. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 42. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 43. **MR MILDENHALL** To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 44. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.

- 45. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 46. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 47. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 48. **MR KILGOUR** To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 49. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 50. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.
- 51. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 52. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 53. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 54. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 55. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.

- 56. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 57. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 58. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 59. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 60. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 61. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.
- 62. **MR TREASURE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 63. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 64. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 65. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.

- 66. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 67. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 68. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 69. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- 70. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 71. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.
- 72. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 73. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 74. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 75. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 76. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 77. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.

- 78. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 79. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 80. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 81. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 82. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.
- 83. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 84. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 85. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 86. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 87. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 88. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.

- 89. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 90. **MR ANDRIGHETTO** To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 91. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 92. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- DR DEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 94. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 95. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 96. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 97. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 98. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.

- 99. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 100. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 101. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 102. **MR LUPTON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 103. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 104. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 106. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- 107. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the

- Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 108. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 109. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 110. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 111. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 112. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 113. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had "used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.
- 114. MR HAERMEYER - To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan

- Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 115. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 116. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 117. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 118. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.
- 119. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 120. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 121. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.

- 122. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 123. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 124. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 125. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 126. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 Sunday program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre- selection process.
- 127. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.
- 128. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 129. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 130. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 131. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 132. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 133. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.

- 134. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 135. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 137. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 138. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.
- 139. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 141. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.

- 142. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 143. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 144. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 145. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 146. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 147. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 148. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 149. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 150. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 151. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.

- 152. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 153. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 154. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 155. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 156. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 157. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.
- 158. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how-to-vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 159. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor– General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 161. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.

- 162. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 163. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 164. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993–97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.
- 166. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 167. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 168. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.

- 169. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 170. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an ad hoc service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 171. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- MR LEIGH To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 175. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.

- 176. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 177. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 178. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 179. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 180. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 181. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.
- 182. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 183. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 184. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 185. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.

- 186. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 187. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 188. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 189. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 190. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.
- 191. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 192. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 193. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- 194. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk

of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.

- 195. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 196. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- 197. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who - (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitions that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.
- 198. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 199. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the

receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court – sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns – so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.

- 200. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the 201. Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.
- 202. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 203. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 204. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.

- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police 205. and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 206. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 207. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 208. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".
- 209. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 210. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 211. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 212. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.

- 213. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 214. **MR ROBINSON** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 215. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 216. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.
- 217. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 218. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 219. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.

- 220. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 221. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 222. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 223. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 224. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 225. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 226. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 227. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 228. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 229. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.

- 230. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 231. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 232. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 233. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 234. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 235. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.
- 236. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 237. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 238. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.

- 239. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 240. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 241. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 242. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 243. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 244. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.
- 245. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 246. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.

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- 247. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 248. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 249. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 250. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 251. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 252. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 253. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.
- 254. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 255. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.

- 256. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (b) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (c) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 257. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 258. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 259. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 260. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 261. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 262. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 263. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.

- 264. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 265. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 266. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 267. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 268. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 270. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.
- 271. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.

- 272. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 273. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 274. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 275. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 276. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 277. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 278. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.
- 279. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 280. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.

- 281. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 282. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 283. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 284. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 285. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 286. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 287. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 288. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 289. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.
- 290. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in

- answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 291. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 292. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 293. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 294. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 295. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 296. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 297. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.

- 298. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 299. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 301. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 302. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 303. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 304. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.
- 305. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.

- 306. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 307. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 308. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 309. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 310. **MR CAMERON** To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 311. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 312. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 313. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 314. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.

- 315. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 316. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 317. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 318. **MR LONEY** To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 319. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 320. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 321. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 322. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 323. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.
- 324. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 325. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.

- 326. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 327. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 328. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 329. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 330. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 331. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 332. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 333. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.
- 334. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 335. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 336. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.

- 337. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 338. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 339. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 340. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 341. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 342. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 343. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 344. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.
- 345. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 346. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the *Play it Safe by the Water* campaign and the *Life Saving into the 21st Century* program.

- 347. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 348. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 349. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 350. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the Rabbit Buster Initiative which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 351. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 352. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 353. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 355. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.

- 356. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 357. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 358. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 359. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 360. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 361. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 362. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 363. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 364. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.
- 365. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.

- 366. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 367. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 368. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 369. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a tape-recorded interview.
- 370. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 371. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 372. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 373. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the Water for Agriculture Initiative which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 374. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 375. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.
- 376. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.

- 377. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 378. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 379. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 380. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 381. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 382. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 383. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 384. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 385. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 386. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 387. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.

- 388. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.
- 389. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 390. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 391. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 392. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 393. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.
- 394. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- 395. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- 396. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- 397. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.

- 398. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.
- 399. MS DAVIES To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- 400. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- 401. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.
- 402. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.
- 403. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for attempting to defraud the Victorian electorate by promising 400 additional police when at \$20 million per year, he is only providing ongoing funding for 235.
- 404. MR LEAN To move, That the Government be commended for the *Bringing the Bay to Life Initiative* which will help to protect and enhance Port Phillip Bay's wonderful natural assets, provide improved boating and recreational facilities and encourage sensitive development opportunities where appropriate.
- 405. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for her attempt to close down freedom of information in the State.
- 406. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in joint venture housing projects with local government and community groups to provide improved housing for older Victorians.
- 407. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for deliberately deceiving the Victorian people in 1992 for promising to increase police numbers by "more than 1000 to 11,000" when he has in fact cut police numbers by more than 800 since 1996, while crime has continued to rise year after year.

- 408. MR TREASURE To move, That this House applauds the Government's timely and thorough response to addressing the social and economic problems caused by extensive flooding in Gippsland and North East Victoria.
- 409. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the Premier's promise to increase police numbers by a purported 400 police and condemns the Premier for gross deceit and breathtaking egoism given that (a) by the time the first of any of these police would graduate from the Police Academy the number of police will be down to 9380; and (b) the addition of 400 officers will leave police strength at 9780, only 130 more than at the moment, more than 500 less than three years ago and 1280 short of his earlier promise of 11,000.
- 410. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program to reform and streamline Victoria's planning processes and commends municipal councils for their endeavours to implement new planning schemes.
- 411. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes that none of the Kennett Government's promises of 400 additional police will be delivered before the forthcoming election and also notes that the Premier has deceived the electorate with such false promises before and accordingly condemns the Kennett Government for gross dishonesty towards the Victorian people.
- 412. MR SPRY To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts for improving access to the arts for all Victorians and for promoting the arts as a key part of the lives of all Victorians.
- 413. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the privatisation-crazed Minister for Transport for causing 400 country workers to lose their jobs on Friday, 30 April 1999 as part of the Government's anti-country privatisation of V/Line Freight.
- 414. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the commitment of \$102 million annually to boost literacy in the crucial first three years of primary school through the *Early Years Literacy Program* which has created 1000 new classroom teaching jobs, many of which will be filled this year by bright, young graduate teachers.
- 415. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport over his specious claim on Tuesday, 4 May 1999 that "Victoria took the lead" on public transport access for the disabled, and notes that the Autumn edition of 'Quadrangle' the official journal of the Australian Quadriplegic Association detailed the Victorian Government's intransigence on this issue, including an original commitment to only 68.79% of trams within 20 years as opposed to the draft standards 100%, and calls on the Minister to apologise to the Parliament, as well as the disabled community, for his willingness to play politics in such a disadvantaged section of the Victorian community.
- 416. MR LUPTON To move, That this House commends the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on his efforts to increase the competitiveness of our industries through a more flexible and relevant training system.

- 417. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for misleading the House on 13 April 1999, when he stated that in Victoria there was no bipartisan approach to juvenile justice, when in fact he as Minister acknowledged in the House on 29 October 1996 the benefit of that bipartisan approach to the State's juvenile justice system and further notes this bipartisanship was acknowledged by the Member for Warrnambool on 13 March 1991, the Member for Seymour on 29 October 1992, by the Member for Bendigo East on 22 April 1993 and by the Honourable Rob Knowles, MLC, in another place, on 6 November 1992.
- 418. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House commends the Government for implementing water reforms that have delivered savings of an average 18% to households in metropolitan and country Victoria.
- 419. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That the Government condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his distasteful and sexist tirade against women in Parliament and women in public life for being out of their depth in desiring family friendly parliamentary times.
- 420. MS KOSKY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to publicly discipline the Member for Forest Hill for his misogynistic comments against female parliamentarians in the House on 11 May 1999.
- 421. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his insensitive comments made about female parliamentarians on 11 May 1999 in this House and calls on the Premier to publicly distance himself from this Member.
- 422. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outlandish and unacceptable remarks criticising those Members of Parliament for combining their work with parenthood.
- 423. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the introduction of more than 200 additional trips per week by the National Bus Company, further improving the public transport options for the people of Melbourne's east.
- 424. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outrageously patronising and misogynistic lecture on 11 May 1999 in this House, attempting to demean women parliamentarians, ridicule women's aspirations in politics and family friendly conditions in Parliament and calls on the Premier to loudly and publicly condemn the Member for his ancient attitudes and re-educate the Members of his Government who hold similar attitudes.
- 425. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its comprehensive and responsible liquor law reform which makes Victoria the best state in which the licensed hospitality industry has to operate.
- 426. MR HULLS To move, That this House congratulates the employees and volunteers for their hard and tireless work at Community Legal Centres and condemns the Attorney-General for her failure to rule out the closure of such centres which play an integral role in providing access to justice to disadvantaged Victorians.
- 427. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his patronising, sexist, outdated and offensive statements on 11 May 1999 in this House that if female Members cannot stand the heat in the kitchen they should get out, on the flimsy basis that Members argued for sensible and family friendly sitting hours.

- 428. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the State Emergency Service for the provision of road accident reform in Victoria.
- 429. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Premier for providing a workplace where working conditions and work practices belong to the 19th century, as do some of the attitudes of Members of the Government like the Member for Forest Hill, and calls on the Premier to adopt the proposals of the Member for Altona for workplace reform.
- 430. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on legislation for the protection of citizens privacy in Victoria.
- 431. MRS WILSON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his sexist remarks and lack of understanding of the position of female Members of this House who seek to balance their parliamentary duties with their family responsibilities.
- 432. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to remove unregistered builders from the domestic building industry.
- 433. MS GILLETT To move, That this House applauds the efforts of modern and efficient employers who accept, understand and make provision for the responsibilities of working parents and calls on the Premier to adopt the Member for Altona's proposals.
- 434. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Junior Landcare Initiative* which provides support to increase awareness and participation in land and water management amongst Victoria's rural youth.
- 435. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Transport to immediately –

 (a) install wicket gates at the Sydenham Railway Station with fencing improvement, footpaths and safe access for pedestrians; and (b) separate the car parking from the pedestrians who use the train station and level crossing from the bus stop.
- 436. MR LANGDON To move, That this House (a) condemns the Government for offering no assistance to small business, or support for the general public on the issue of bank closures, in particular to the residents and small businesses of West Heidelberg whose only banking facility is the Commonwealth Bank in the Mall Shopping Centre, Bell Street and which is under threat of closure; and (b) notes the stark contrast to the assistance the Government has given to Bruce Matheson and his company in their attempt to build a large poker machine venue at the old Coloseum Hotel in West Heidelberg.
- 437. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to support economic development for Aboriginal people and recognises the contribution the development of new enterprises will make to employment in Aboriginal communities and the overall Victorian economy.
- 438. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to take immediate action in developing the Keilor/Melton Highway and the level crossing at Sydenham for the safety of the community that is using the Keilor/Melton Highway and the communities of Taylors Lakes and Sydenham and surrounding districts to prevent any further fatality occurring in that locality.
- 439. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its vision and commitment to long term sustainability and profitability following the release of a Five Year Plan for the Grains Industry.

- 440. **MR SEITZ** To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Transport to take immediate action to (a) underground the railway line from the Furlong Road level crossing to past the Sydenham level crossing for the safety of the people in the area who are using the railway line; and (b) provide adequate access for car parking and pedestrian traffic in a safe environment.
- 441. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 442. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Government for not providing adequate funds for the reconstruction of Lower Plenty Road and to modify the pedestrian overpass on Lower Plenty Road opposite St Martins Church to ensure pedestrian access for the frail, the elderly and the disabled
- 443. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its work in constructing the Boronia rail crossing project, thus eliminating one of Melbourne's worst traffic spots.
- 444. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to take immediate action to underground the railway line at St Albans Furlong Road, Taylors Road and Sydenham for the safety of the people in the region and for the survival of the St Albans shopping village.
- 445. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government on its commitment to the professional development of teachers and to improving the status of the teaching profession; including the 8% pay increase offer that will ensure Victorian teachers, principals and support staff will be the highest paid in Australia and will enable them to salary package private superannuation, vehicle leasing and health insurance.
- 446. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government and the Minister for Planning and Local Government for failing to rule out any compulsory acquisition of Spring Gully Reserve which will allow the old Niddrie Quarry site to be turned into a toxic dump.
- 447. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, that this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his continued efforts in attracting more full fee paying international students to Victoria.
- 448. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately provide support for the growth corridor of Taylors Lakes and Sydenham including adequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged care services, recreation, sporting facilities and community services.
- 449. MR SPRY To move, that this House commends the government for lowering State debt from \$32 billion to \$6 billion, reducing per capita state debt from \$7000 per person to \$2500 per person.

- 450. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to (a) honour its 1996 election promise to build the district police head quarters at the old Coloseum Hotel site at the corner of Oriel Road and Bell Street, Heidelberg West; (b) provide funding to ensure the Police Stations in Heidelberg West and Heidelberg are adequately staffed; and (c) guarantee the future of the Heidelberg West Police Station.
- 451. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on mandating the \$9 million extension of the No. 109 tram route from Mont Albert to Box Hill as part of the Government public transport franchising program.
- 452. MR SEITZ To move, That this House condemns the Government for its mismanagement of the environment in the Western Suburbs by allowing contaminated soils to be dumped in the region from the City Link and the Docklands projects.
- 453. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for the way she has handled her portfolios but wishes her well in her retirement.
- 454. MR FINN To move, that this House congratulates the Australian Grand Prix Corporation on (a) the 1998 Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix at Phillip Island being voted the Best Motorcycle Grand Prix in the world in 1998 by the international road racing teams; and (b) the Qantas Australian Formula One Grand Prix being named the Best Grand Prix in the FIA Formula One World Championships two years running.
- 455. MR THWAITES To move, That this House congratulates the retiring Member for Brighton on his opposition to inappropriate planning policies of this Government in Brighton and calls on the Minister for Planning and Local Government to take notice of this opposition.
- 456. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police for his leadership role in policing and implementation of innovative drugs policy.
- 457. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately put plans into action to provide for a linear park along the whole of the Kororoit Creek before it is too late to save this natural waterway in the Western suburbs.
- 458. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Attorney-General for significantly improving the rights of Victorians by establishing the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.
- 459. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the broken promises of the Coalition Party to fund library works in Castlemaine and notes that the Community Support Fund is being used as a Melbourne slush fund and calls for the Castlemaine library project to be funded, as promised.
- 460. **MR JENKINS** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on (a) its recognition of the value of the racing industry to the Victorian economy, its contribution to the tourism and entertainment sectors and its recreational importance to thousands of Victorians; and (b) its role in making Victorian racing more competitive and the envy of all other States and Territories of Australia by encouraging the industry to accept and introduce a range of reforms as well as legislating to (i) allow telephone betting by bookmakers; (ii) free up sports betting restrictions; (iii) provide for the establishment of a sports betting auditorium; and (iv) privatise the Totalizator Agency Board.

- 461. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately make appropriate funds available to safeguard and upgrade the Taylors Creek and its contributories to provide a natural environment of this waterway through Taylors Lakes.
- 462. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to reducing litter entering our waterways.
- 463. MR HAERMEYER- To move, That this House (a) condemns the Government for its failure to provide funds to realign Arthur's Creek Road at Hurstbridge and provide for a new bridge upstream of the existing Monash Bridge; and (b) notes that this road and the existing bridge constitute a major black spot which places at risk the lives and safety of all users of that road.
- 464. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the implementation of the Koori Services Improvement Strategy which, in partnership with Victoria's Aboriginal community, is contributing to the health and social well-being of Victoria's Aboriginal people.
- 465. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his appalling mishandling of his portfolio and looks forward to his imminent retirement.
- 466. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House commends the Government on the progress to date in meeting its objective to sewer rural and regional townships and implement water quality infrastructure which meet World Health Organisation standards.
- 467. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the needs of people in the north of Nillumbik Shire with adequate ambulance services and acceptable response times.
- 468. MR ASHELEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the launch of the Self-Governing Schools Initiative providing Victorian schools with the opportunity to build on and further develop the current Schools of the Future model and strengthen the government school system by encouraging greater diversity and expanding links between schools and the community.
- 469. MR HAERMEYER To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998 to correct a loophole relating to the limit on the proportion of packaged liquor licenses that can be held by any person, body corporate or related entities, and for other purposes.
- MS KOSKY To move, That the Sessional Orders be amended as follows (1) Paragraph 1 be omitted and the following paragraph inserted in place thereof: "1. Unless otherwise ordered, the House shall meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday on the following basis: (i) Mr Speaker to take the Chair at 2.00 p.m. on a Tuesday and at 9.30 am on a Wednesday and Thursday; (ii) The House shall not suspend business for the purposes of a lunch break on any day; (iii) Any division called for in the House between 1.00 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. on any day shall stand deferred until after the conclusion of Oral Questions that day; and (iv) The House shall rise at 8.15 p.m. each day."; and (2) Paragraph 5(1) be amended by omitting "10.00 p.m." where twice occurring and inserting "7.30 p.m.".

- *471. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for promoting a culture of secrecy across Government and encouraging the view, now prevalent among senior bureaucrats, that financial arrangements with the private sector should be shielded from Parliamentary and taxpayer gaze as observed by the Auditor-General in the May 1999 report on the Ministerial Portfolios.
- *472. MR THWAITES To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General, Mr Baragwanath, for his great to service to the Parliament and people of Victoria and in particular the revelations contained in his Special Report No. 49 into Contractual and Outsourcing Practises in the Ambulance Service which revealed that contractual arrangements at the Ambulance Service had been carried out in a manner which at best involved serious mismanagement or at worst involved corrupt activity.
- *473. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his support and commitment to the provision of higher education opportunities across regional Victoria.
- *474. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House (a) congratulates the Auditor-General, Mr Ches Baragwanath, for (i) his May 1999 Report on Ministerial Portfolios, which follows his thorough and detailed exposé on this bungled privatisation of the Public Transport Corporation's revenue stream and ticketing system which was presented to Parliament in his Special Report No. 59 in November 1998; and (ii) in particular, his continuing diligence in exposing the disastrous impact that the OneLink Automatic Ticketing System is having on Melbourne's Public Transport System; and (b) notes that this ongoing waste and maladministration would have been kept secret by the Kennett Government had it not been the fine work of the Auditor-General.
- *475. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for lowering unemployment to the lowest level of unemployment in Victoria since 1990.
- *476. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to properly monitor the development of the Melbourne Museum complex and allowing the cost of the project to blow-out by \$37.6 million as exposed in the May 1999 Report of the Auditor-General on Ministerial Portfolios.
- *477. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on mandating the \$27 million extension of the metropolitan electrified train system from St Albans to Sydneham as part of the Government Public Transport Franchising Program.
- *478. MR HULLS To move, That this House (a) notes the frustration of the Auditor-General in relation to his attempt to stop the rorting of the use of corporate credit cards and also notes that the Attorney-General has been supplied with legal advice confirming that certain credit cards usage by Ministers and bureaucrats could amount to criminal conduct; and (b) condemns the Attorney-General as Chief Law Officer of this state for failing to take any action to address the legitimate concern of the Auditor-General thereby implicity consenting to the continual misuse of credit cards and taxpayer funds.
- *479. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its focus on regional tourism development and spreading the benefits of tourism to regional Victoria.

- *480. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the Auditor-General's comprehensive Special Report No. 43 "Protecting Victoria's children. The role of the Department of Human Services" and records its appreciation to the Auditor-General Mr Ches Baragwanath for alerting the Parliament to many significant weaknesses in key elements of the Department's protective services, which have adversely impacted on its ability to effectively address the protective concerns of children.
- *481. **MR RYAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Attorney-General, for improving the status of victims in the justice system.
- *482. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House (a) congratulates the Auditor-General for his outstanding service to this Parliament including his findings in his latest Report on Ministerial Portfolios which exposes more Government mismanagement and bungling, revealing that (i) the Kennett Government spent \$7 million on consultancies, \$6 million of which was let without a public tender process, to assist in selling the Victorian Plantations Corporation at a fire sale price and losing a \$33 million per annum income stream and (ii) that around 40% of country Victorians were still in receipt of drinking water which did not meet the microbiological requirements of established guidelines; and (b) condemns the Government for slashing the Auditor-General's powers to continue to uncover such mismanagement in the future.
- *483. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for (a) the support and assistance it has given the Victorian Institute of Sport to enable it to (i) provide world class services and training opportunities to its athletes, and, (ii) to set international standards and gain recognition for the provision of these services which has resulted in spectacular performances by the athletes selected in Australian teams; and (b) the assistance given to develop talented rural athletes through the Victalent program.
- *484. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action to stop the continual spending of taxpayers' money on advertising that is party political in nature as identified by the Auditor-General in the Special Report No. 39, March 1996.
- *485. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government on the development and implementation of the Lorne Coastal Action Plan which is delivering real improvements to the visitors of Lorne.
- *486. **MS DELAHUNTY** To move, That this House congratulate the Auditor-General Mr Ches Baragwanath for (a) his fearless auditing and investigation of the Government in this State, particularly in education; (b) his courageous exposure of inconsistencies and documentation of school closures and the school maintenance backlog; (c) in his final report, confirming gross inequality of funding for computers in schools, lack of information technology training for teachers and dubious contracting of consultants; and (d) his courage in representing in the public interest the nobbling of his office by a vengeful Government bent on doing business behind a shroud of secrecy.
- *487. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program for the redevelopment of regional and rural housing estates.
- *488. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General and notes (a) previous Auditor-General's Reports that highlighted the inequity of providing 93% of all sports funding from the Community Support Fund (CSF) to one big project, the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, again highlighting the

Government's preference on the inner-city, whilst overlooking the needs of grass-roots sporting clubs in country Victoria and suburban Melbourne, and only providing an average grant of \$32,000 to each municipality for sport and recreation upgrades; (b) the Auditor-General's revealing of the allocation of \$1.5 million from allocated tourism funds in the CSF to the 'One Australia' America's Cup Syndicate whose taxpayer funded yacht sank off the West Coast of America; (c) the Auditor-General's revealing of a controversial loan of \$1.01 million from CSF tourism funding to a joint venture comprising Grollo Australia and St Martins Victoria Pty Ltd for the development of the Sky Show Down Under Project at the Rialto Theatrette that will not be repaid until the year 2010, 15 years after the initial decision, whilst ignoring many other worthy tourism projects in Victoria; and (d) the crucial role of the Auditor-General in highlighting to Parliament the questionable way these projects were funded and accordingly condemns the Government for its decision to nobble the Auditor-General, and threaten this independent office that analyses the State Government's performance and credibility.

- *489. **MR JENKINS** To move, That this House commends the Government on the success of the Victorian Youth Development Program which is one of the most successful youth initiatives in Australia involving over 3,000 students from 106 schools.
- *490. MR LONEY To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General for his report of May 1999, and calls on the Minister for Agriculture and Resources to respond immediately to the issues raised in that report regarding his department's poor performance in ensuring the rehabilitation and making safe of old mining sites.
- *491. **MR THOMPSON** To move, That this House commends the Government for reducing state taxes and charges by more than \$2.5 billion annually since the election of the Coalition Government in 1992.
- *492. MR THWAITES To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General, Mr Baragwanath for his great to service to the Parliament and people of Victoria and in particular the revelations contained in his Special Report No. 56 into Hospital Services under Casemix which revealed that two thirds of the senior doctors, charge nurses and senior allied health professionals maintained that the overall effect of the Government's reforms in health has been a deterioration in the quality of care.
- *493. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to lead the way in providing accessible transport through the release of the Action Plan thus ensuring that a majority of Victoria's public transport services will be 100% accessible to everyone within 20 years.
- *494. MS KOSKY To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General for his preparedness to give advice to Government and the people of Victoria without fear or favour and for exposing the failure of the CASMAC project to deliver an Information Technology system to universities which has cost the Victorian taxpayer in excess of \$4.3 million.
- *495. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its Major Events strategy, which returns to the State an estimated \$650 million per year.

- *496. **MR HAMILTON** To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for (a) failing to strengthen its non-metropolitan urban water authority monitoring function to ensure that all authorities meet the statutory reporting obligations in relation to the performance information causing (i) an artificially low rate of return on assets; (ii) an average industry cost increase of 26% and likely further increases; and (b) failing to monitor the performance of these non-metropolitan water authorities which has an average of nearly 20% unaccounted water as detailed in the Auditor-General's Report on Ministerial Portfolios, May 1999.
- *497. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Attorney-General for ensuring that crime does not pay by introducing the Confiscation Act and establishing the Asset Confiscation Office.
- *498. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to take notice of the pleas of the Auditor-General to stop the continued rorting by Ministers and bureaucrats of the public purse via misuse of taxpayer funded credit cards and calls on the Premier to come to his senses and stop this Bjelke Petersen style abuse of taxpayers' money and apologise to Victorians for allowing corporate credit card holders to use the public purse as their own private piggy bank.
- *499. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the initiation and signing of the historic Murray Mallee Partnership Memorandum of Understanding between the Victorian, New South Wales, South Australian and Commonwealth Governments.
- *500. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General for exposing the total mismanagement of the Melbourne Museum project which includes that (a) the project was scheduled for completion last month but will not open until some time in the next millennium; (b) the budget has blown out by \$37 million and, in addition, has consumed all \$19 million of an unallocated Minister's discretionary fund and has effectively wasted the \$20 million spent by the previous government on the Southbank site; and (c) the Museum of Victoria has refused to supply the Auditor-General with financial details of the IMAX theatre component of the project thus continuing the "secret state" approach of this government to the principle of transparency of government financial transactions.
- *501. **MR PATERSON** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its success at ensuring that every Victorian child has the opportunity of attending a year of preschool before they attend primary school.
- *502. MR LONEY To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General for his May 1999
 Report which exposes the extraordinarily bad deal for Victorian taxpayers negotiated by the Treasurer for the sale of the Government's share in the Aluvic which resulted in an \$8 million loss and a continuing liability of \$240 million.
- *503. **MR WELLS** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on mandating the introduction of 90 low floor trams ensuring continued improvements in access to public transport services for all Victorians, and in particular, those with a mobility impairment.
- *504. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House records its appreciation to the Auditor-General and his staff in the Victorian Auditor-General's office for the thorough advice provided to the Parliament in Special Report No. 55 "Child Care and Kindergarten: Caring about quality" and particularly notes that (a) enrolment numbers provided by

services used by the Department as a basis of calculating participation rates are not verified by the Department and that data provided by services during the audit suggested that some enrolments may be overstated; (b) in 1994 when the Department changed to per capita funding model for preschools, there was a reduction in the amount of funds provided from around \$1,020 to \$840 per place and that a large proportion of the costs have now been shifted to parents; and (c) around 31% of stand alone kindergartens visited during the audit commented on the difficulties in attracting committee members, given the heavy workload involved.

- *505. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its revitalisation of the state's tourism industry as seen in Victoria's domination of the 1998 National Tourism Awards.
- *506. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its award-winning 'You'll love every piece of Victoria' marketing campaign, now in its fourth phase.
- *507. **MR HAMILTON** To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for (a) the lack of proper process used in the sale of the Victorian Plantations Corporation (VPC) as detailed in the Auditor-General's Report of May 1999; and (b) the failure to take account during of the sale of VPC of any benefits that the State could share from the future introduction of a carbon credit trading system.
- *508. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$3 million upgrade of the Melton weir bridge resulting in reduced journey times for passenger train services travelling between Ballarat and Melbourne.
- *509. **MR HULLS** To move, That this House notes the Auditor-General's concerns in relation to the lack of Legal Aid funding in Victoria and calls on the Attorney-General to heed the Auditor-General's call for a full inquiry into Legal Aid in this State.
- *510. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recognition of the value of the racing industry to (a) the Victorian economy; (b) its contribution to the tourism and entertainment sectors; (c) its recreational importance to thousands of Victorians; and (d) on its role in making Victorian racing more competitive and the envy of all other States and Territories of Australia by encouraging the industry to accept and introduce a range of reforms as well as legislating to (i) allow telephone betting by bookmakers; (ii) free up sports betting restrictions; (iii) provide for the establishment of a sports betting auditorium; and (iv) privatising the Totalizator Agency Board.
- *511. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the upgrading of the country water supply to 100% compliance to World Health Standards by December this year.
- *512. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its contribution to beach refurbishment and coastline protection on Port Phillip Bay and, in addition, water quality improvement within Port Phillip Bay.
- *513. **MS KOSKY** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for failing to table the annual reports from all Victorian Universities due in this session of Parliament.

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- *514. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition has been taken up in the Bealita district objecting to the closure of the pre-existing wood supply in Tunstall's Forest, and accordingly calls on the Minister for Land Management to account for her actions in denying local residents access to the wood when it had been clearly understood that the wood would be available for local domestic use.
- *515. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education for his outstanding work restoring the fabric of the education system and refurbishing schools across Victoria.
- *516. MR THWAITES To move, That I have leave to bring in a Bill to require that a building surveyor must not issue a building permit unless he or she is satisfied that it will be consistent with the requirements and conditions of any relevant planning permit, to amend the Building Act 1993 and for other purposes.
- *517. MR THWAITES To move, That I have leave to bring in a Bill to eliminate discrimination against gay men and lesbians living in de facto relationships following recommendations of the Equal Opportunity Commission, and to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995, Accident Compensation Act 1985, Children and Young Persons Act 1989, Coroners Act 1985, Crimes Act 1958, Crimes (Family Violence) Act 1987, Emergency Services Superannuation Act 1986, Human Tissue Act 1982, Land Tax Act 1958, Parliamentary Salaries and Superannuation Act 1968, Police Regulation Act 1958, Property Law Act 1958, Public Sector Superannuation (Administration) Act 1993, Stamps Act 1958, State Employees Retirement Benefits Act 1979, State Superannuation Act 1988, Superannuation (Portability) Act 1989, Transport Accident Act 1986, Transport Superannuation Act 1958 and Wills Act 1997 and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 2. **PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- 4. **BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY** Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).

- 5. SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (Mr Elder).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means - To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).

- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) – Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways – To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) – Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act – To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).

- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).
- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) - Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (Mr Carli).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. **PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 30. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Ms Davies)

- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).
- 34. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. **CRIMES STATISTICS** Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).

- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).
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- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 45. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) – Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria – To be considered (Ms Garbutt).

- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 51. **LANG LANG POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 53. **VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).
- 55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (Mr Andrianopoulos).
- 56. CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority - To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 57. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).

- 58. RACIAL DISCRIMINATION Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (4 May 1999) Praying that the Government immediately launches an investigation in relation to occurrences of racial abuse and vilification generally, particularly in respect of Captain Frank and Elisabeth Staberhofer of Captain's Lodge International Motel, Sale To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 59. SOCIAL POLICIES Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education (Mr Lean).
- 60. **PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that there be no further cuts to government education and that adequate resources be provided to ensure a properly resourced, high quality system of public education To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 61. **SCHOOL BUS SERVICES** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government provides appropriate space on buses, whether contract services or regular public bus services so that children of non-Government and Government schools may be able to get to school safely and on time with no risk that children will be left on the side of the road To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 62. McDONALD'S FRANCHISE IN DIAMOND CREEK Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that planning approval not be given to a McDonald's franchise in Chute Street, Diamond Creek if it is going to cause traffic chaos and pose a danger to the local primary school children To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 63. **DRYSDALE POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to force the closure of the Drysdale Police Station To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 64. **MOUNT EVELYN POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to close the Mount Evelyn Police Station and increase active police presence in the area To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 65. **BLACKBURN HIGH SCHOOL COUNCIL** Petition presented by the Member for Mitcham (12 May 1999) Praying that the Ministry of Education rejects Blackburn High School Council's application to become a self-governing school and therefore allows for appropriate consultation with the community To be considered (Mr Robinson).
- 66. REDUCTION IN PUBLIC SECTOR DEBT Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about (Mr Clark).
- 67. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE FUNDING Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government acts on the request for more funding for the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and reconsiders its decision to privatise it To be considered (Ms Garbutt).

- 68. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE COMMUNITY USAGE Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government (a) reconsiders its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre; (b) protects the Red Cross Centre, bowling green, and memorial gardens from any future works; and (c) ensures that the original Austin Hospital site is retained for community usage and not sold To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 69. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE OVERDEVELOPMENT Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government (a) reconsiders its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre; (b) protects the Red Cross Centre, bowling green, and memorial gardens from any future works; and (c) introduces measures to protect the local area from any ill effects of the massive overdevelopment of the Repatriation site To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 70. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE ACCESS Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) - Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and acts to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth - To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 71. **PRESTON AND NORTHCOTE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Preston (25 May 1999) Praying that the Government makes no decision on the Preston and Northcote Community Hospital site without consultation and agreement of the community To be considered (*Mr Leighton*).
- 72. PLANNING SYSTEM/GOOD DESIGN GUIDE Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (26 May 1999) Praying that the Government thoroughly reviews the current planning system and the Good Design Guide as it cannot be fixed by the current cosmetic changes To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 73. **INCREASE OF POLICE NUMBERS** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (26 May 1999) Praying that the Government honours its 1996 election campaign promise to increase the number of police in Victoria to 11,000 as reductions in police numbers have placed at risk community security and safety To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 74. PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system (Mr Rowe).
- *75. WAVERLEY PARK Petition presented by the Member for Dandenong (27 May 1999) Praying that the House (a) do all in its powers to ensure the long-term viability of Waverley Park as an AFL venue; (b) work with the AFL to improve car and bus access to the Park; and (c) assist in upgrading amenities at the ground To be considered (Mr Pandazopoulos).

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAY

THURSDAY, 10 JUNE 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. **JURIES BILL** – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT)** Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- HOUSE (JOINT) Mr Speaker (ex- officio), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (Warrnambool), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House). Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m.

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- 4. General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. **ESTATE AGENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL** – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources on the provision of much needed funding for the upgrading of water purification and sewerage treatment plants in rural Victoria.
- 2. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that (a) Victoria's unemployment rate has exceeded the national average for virtually every month that the Government has been in office; and (b) the growth in full time jobs in Victoria since the Government came to office is less than half the growth rate experienced nationally, calls on the Government to introduce policies to stimulate jobs and investments, including a Victorian Industry Development Plan, a Regional Development Plan and initiatives to tackle long term unemployment.
- MRS PEULICH To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives in providing gifted students to reach their full potential.
- MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for imperilling
 the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of its appalling
 mismanagement of the Victorian schools system.
- MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress on construction of the City Link project, which has been highlighted by the connection of the 1.2 kilometre Burnley Tunnel between Swan Street, Richmond, and St Kilda Road.
- 6. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges rural Victoria's huge contribution to the Victorian and national economy and condemns the Government's lack of support for rural industries and communities as evidenced by its savage program of cutbacks, its attacks on local government, and its privatisation programs that have devastated many parts of country Victoria.

- 7. **MS McCALL** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to protect the rights of victims of sexual assault.
- MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the continual inappropriate use by Members
 of the Government of public office for private gain and condemns the Government for
 its failure to understand the concept of conflict of interest.
- 9. MR FINN To move, That this House (a) notes the involvement of the Honourable Member for Thomastown, in his then role as State Secretary of the Australian Labor Party, to manipulate the result of the Nunawading Province by– election in 1985 by orchestrating a campaign to mislead and defraud voters in the by– election; (b) further notes the refusal of the Honourable Member for Thomastown to co– operate with the police investigation of this scandal and now calls on the Honourable Member to disclose the full facts of his and other Australian Labor Party members' involvement in this corrupt incident; and (c) calls on all members of the Opposition to publicly disassociate themselves from the actions of the Honourable Member for Thomastown and to support the demand that he disclose to the House the facts relating to his involvement in this gross abuse of the electoral system.
- 10. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for privatising health facilities and for its cuts and mismanagement of the public hospital system which has led to long waiting lists, delays in treatment for patients and a lower quality of health care.
- 11. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the most efficient and effective TAFE sector in Australia, as evidenced by recent national comparison data including the National Employer Satisfaction Survey and the Graduation Destination Survey.
- 12. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for imperilling the future prospects for Victoria's young people as a result of an inadequate level of per capita and per student education spending which has led to large class sizes, insufficient student support services, inequality in outcomes, and high levels of school closures and teacher redundancies.
- 13. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the principles of the framework for delivery of psychiatric services in this State, and also for recognising the enormous contribution potential of the consumers and carers in policy and guidelines development in the area of mental health.
- 14. MR BRACKS To move, That this House notes the huge contribution to the Victorian economy made by Victoria's major regional centres and condemns the Government for its abject failure to provide adequate health and education services and job opportunities for young people in regional Victoria.
- 15. MR McLELLAN (Frankston East) To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to assisting Victorians on low incomes through the provision of a wide range of concessions, and further, that the House notes the Government's decision to extend the Water Relief Grant Scheme to assist people in rural Victoria.
- 16. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its waste and mismanagement of millions of taxpayers' dollars, including unjustified expenditure on political advertising and opinion polling in marginal seats, and accordingly calls on the

- Government to establish proper standards for the dissemination of government advertisements by introducing legislation to prevent taxpayers' money being spent on political advertising by Government departments and authorities especially during election periods.
- 17. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for their efforts in reducing the 1997 road toll fatalities of 378 to the lowest level on record with the highest being 1070 in 1970.
- 18. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government and its incompetent Minister for Corrections for its mismanagement of Victoria's Prison System.
- 19. **MR SPRY** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued excellence in the management of the public housing sector in Victoria.
- 20. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of support for Melbourne's growth corridor, including inadequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged services, sport and recreation facilities and community services.
- 21. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its \$1.3 billion water reform package which will see a decrease of 18% on the average water bill and a greater emphasis on conservation of water supplies.
- 22. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House calls on the Government to abandon its plans to sell off Victoria's regional and rural water authorities.
- 23. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to and support of Landcare in Victoria and the Landcare 2000 Partnership Initiative to strengthen government, community and industry support for Landcare groups and catchment committees.
- 24. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its callous changes to the WorkCover Schemes by reducing benefits and eliminating common law rights.
- 25. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to protect the heritage of Victoria.
- 26. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for the secretive manner in which it has pursued the demolition of at least one high rise tower, in its current term.
- 27. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for their mismanagement of public housing.
- 28. MR HAMILTON –To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to maintain and develop affirmative action on employment of indigenous people in the public sector of Victoria as it is a disgrace that Aboriginal employment targets have not been set in any government department.

- 29. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 30. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of real commitment to young people demonstrated by its inadequate policies on employment, education and training.
- 31. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its response to community concerns on judicial sentencing.
- 32. MR BRUMBY To move, That this Government condemns the Premier and the Treasurer for their arrogance and contempt of Parliament in failing to attend question time on 18 February 1998 and answer questions regarding their proposed \$50 million gift to Crown Casino.
- 33. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to improve the safety and amenity of Melbourne's travelling public with the establishment of 10 extra premium stations to be completed in the 1998–99 financial year, bringing the total number to 61.
- 34. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney–General for gross mismanagement of her portfolio areas.
- 35. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education for initiatives providing Victorian students and teachers with expanded opportunities in physical and sport education.
- 36. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the long term security of irrigators in the Macalister Irrigation area as the hypocrisy of encouraging greater agricultural production without guaranteed irrigation water is an insult to farmers in Victoria.
- 37. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievement in ensuring maintenance of access to TAFE programs for students in rural Victoria.
- 38. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government for its encouragement and support for the adoption of suitable catchment and land management practices across Victoria.
- 39. MR BRUMBY To move, That given the Premier's statement on radio 3AW on Thursday, 19 February 1998 that: "I am happy for every debate to be broadcast", this House calls upon the Leader of the House to introduce a motion that allows all Parliamentary proceedings in this House to be freely broadcast without any limitation.
- 40. MR BRACKS To move, That this House requests the Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Mr Bill Forwood to resign as Chairman, given his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, which brings him into a potential conflict of interest between his role as Parliamentary Secretary and therefore as a Member of the Executive, with his role as Chairman of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee to scrutinise the same Executive.

- 41. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his statement in the House on Tuesday, 17 March 1998 that in each case of a primary school class of over 30 students "another teacher is involved in that classroom" when in fact team teaching arrangements are rare or only cover small fractions of time when a specialist teacher is sent in to relieve the classroom teacher, and that the Minister's statement is yet another attempt to conceal the true extent of the crisis in Victorian primary school classrooms.
- 42. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House acknowledges the courageous and effective work of Victorian fire fighters, and emergency services members and volunteers in the recent Trentham fires and thanks them for their tireless efforts on behalf of all Victorians in saving lives and property.
- 43. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Government for being the only state in Australia to cut real education spending per student since 1992, as reported by the Industry Commission in February 1998.
- 44. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his self appointed additional retirement package that could cost the tax payers of Victoria millions of dollars.
- 45. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for its decision to close the Essendon Hospital, thus depriving the residents of Essendon and the northwest area of Victoria, of a valuable public health service.
- 46. MR WELLS To move, That this House commends the Government for the FReeZA program, which is providing young people across Victoria with a range of drug and alcohol free events that are illustrating how irrelevant drugs and alcohol are to having a good time.
- 47. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for permitting logging in Victorian native forests protected under the provisions of the Heritage Rivers Act 1992.
- 48. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Partnerships for Growth program which has delivered significant benefits to rural communities by (a) attracting new industries and investment; (b) strengthening local businesses; (c) funding priority projects; and (d) adding to community assets.
- 49. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action against the Minister for Gaming for misleading the Parliament as to when he was first made aware of the decision by Crown Casino to establish a property trust given that the Minister for Gaming has now admitted that he was in possession of information about this matter well before the information was provided to the Australian Stock Exchange and shareholders.
- 50. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the Magistrates' Court decision and expresses regret that it will have to clarify the Heritage Rivers Act 1992 which is poorly drafted and was rushed through Parliament by the previous Labor Government.

- 51. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for slashing the meagre subsidy offered to schools to put new computers into classrooms, thereby breaking the Government's election promise to provide \$1 for every \$3 raised by parents and unfairly disadvantaging government schools without a massive fundraising capacity.
- 52. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the benefits being derived by communities throughout Victoria through the allocation of funding from the Community Support Fund to the Sport and Recreation Minor Facilities Grants Scheme and Life Saving into the 21st Century initiative.
- 53. **MS GARBUTT** To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for throwing the Victorian forest industry into complete chaos as a result of her failure to administer the provisions of the **Heritage Rivers Act 1992**.
- 54. MR RYAN To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner for Police be congratulated for their commitment to high ethical standards and accountability within the Victoria Police.
- 55. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to give assurances to the people of Victoria that the architectural integrity of the National Gallery of Victoria will be maintained in its upgrade.
- 56. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued commitment to the provision of secure and affordable housing for those in need.
- 57. MR HULLS To move, That this House calls on the Premier to take action against the Minister for Gaming for undermining the role of the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority by dealing directly with Crown Casino on matters that should have been referred to the Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority.
- 58. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to the preservation and protection of Victoria's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage.
- 59. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its insult and neglect of Victoria's ethnic communities as demonstrated by the Victorian Multicultural Commission's Community Grants Program being significantly underfunded when compared to the Labor years and to identical programs in New South Wales on a per capita basis.
- 60. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to taking the technologies of the 21st century to Victorians in metropolitan and regional Victoria.
- 61. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his complete incapacity to make any single Minister or public servant accountable for using tax payer funded credit cards for any purpose whether it be for a free holiday, free lunch, free use of a car, some jewellery for the wife, a show in Las Vegas, an opera in London, thousands of dollars in alcohol, a weekend away at the wineries, an apartment in Noosa, a suit from a tailor in New York, or any other clearly personal item which may subject the purchaser to prosecution under the Crimes Act 1958.

- 62. MR TREASURE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its agriculture and food initiative and its work with Victorian farmers to identify new farming and export opportunities for Victoria's farmers.
- 63. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for the Arts for failing to guarantee that the water wall will not be maintained.
- 64. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its reforms in building regulation that have been a contributing factor to significant investment in the building industry in Victoria.
- 65. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Government for continued mismanagement of the health system, and in particular (a) reducing real funding to public hospitals while receiving over 230 million dollars per annum additional funding for the health system from the Commonwealth Government under the 1993 Medicare agreement; (b) forcing public hospitals to face further funding cuts of 1.5% which will lead to an additional 30 million dollars cut to hospital budgets; (c) attempting to blame the Commonwealth Government for the crisis in Victoria's health system which has been caused by the massive cuts made by this Government; and (d) diverting money from the health system which should have been used to address the problems of waiting list blow– outs, inadequate staffing, unhygienic conditions and lack of intensive care services.
- 66. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for developing an innovative program of consumer and business information and education campaigns designed to reduce marketplace disputes.
- 67. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for turning thousands of prospective teachers away from a career in teaching by forcing young graduates on to four– week and eight– week contracts which offer no job security or financial security as they seek to establish their careers.
- 68. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for reforming the education system so as to put schools back in the control of the principal and school council.
- 69. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for its continuing neglect of the parlous condition of Westall Road in the electorate of Clayton by refusing to upgrade it, and therefore putting at risk the lives of its users.
- MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates this Government on reducing the real cost of public transport to users by yet again freezing Victoria's public transport fares.
- 71. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education, the Minister for Gaming, the Treasurer, the Attorney– General, the Minister for Sport and Rural Development, the Minister for Housing, the Minister for Community Services, the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Conservation and Land Management and the Deputy Premier for deliberately delaying the release of their credit card details by refusing to respond to Freedom of Information applications by the State Opposition within the legal 45 day time limit.

- 72. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its efforts to increase the number of students undertaking science and engineering at the tertiary level in Victoria.
- 73. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its proposal under competition policy legislation to privatise the WorkCover Authority.
- 74. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of new Catchment Management Authorities as part of a major restructuring of arrangements for the integrated protection of Victoria's water resources.
- 75. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring the health needs of the 14,000 per year day patients who attend the Essendon Hospital and for giving them no opportunity to be included in discussions regarding the future of their local hospital.
- 76. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its positive response to the recommendations of the Suicide Prevention Taskforce.
- 77. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars printing and distributing the dishonest pamphlet titled "Victorian School Education: The Facts", which claims that there is one teacher for every 15 students when in fact more than 560 Victorian primary schools have at least one class with 30 or more students.
- 78. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of its initiative to allocate Community Support Funding to rural projects that will add to or rebuild community assets and infrastructure under the program Partnerships for Growth.
- 79. MS GILLETT To move, That this House congratulates the constituents of Werribee for their patience, persistence, intelligence and tenacity in opposing the placement of a toxic dump in a growth corridor and in an area of importance to the agriculture export industry.
- 80. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the development of state of the art sporting venues such as the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, the Docklands Stadium, National Tennis Centre Stage II, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre and Lake Nagambie Rowing Course which are important to maintaining Melbourne and Victoria's "Sporting Capital, Sporting State" status and that recognition is given to the substantial social and community benefits that are derived through the development of all sport and recreation facilities funded throughout Victoria.
- 81. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for issuing taxpayer funded corporate credit cards to virtually his entire office including persons who have used their cards for health farms, buying cigarettes and extremely long lunches with other members of staff.
- 82. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That the Government be commended for the initiatives announced under the Turning the Tide Program to address the drug education and treatment needs of offenders in prison and those subject to community based corrections orders.

- 83. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to meet his election promise to finance the upgrade of the Victorian Arts Centre.
- 84. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its achievements in the redevelopment, upgrade and mix of public housing in Victoria.
- 85. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government and Government Members of Parliament in the eastern and south eastern suburbs for their failure to support the largest ever AFL petition to save AFL Park, tabled in this House in November 1997, and their failure to support AFL Park continuing as an AFL venue.
- 86. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to help rebuild the lives of those Aboriginal people affected by past policies of removal from their families.
- 87. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney– General for breaching the corporate credit card guidelines which specifically prohibit expenditure on personal items, by using her taxpayer funded card to get herself tickets to La Traviata because she does not like queues.
- 88. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its decision to exempt the family home from land tax from 1998 onwards, saving average homeowners from the burden of paying land tax now and in the future and providing savings to many small business land owners.
- 89. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Arts for public statements he has made ignoring the interests of regional Victoria by changing the names of the Museum of Victoria and National Gallery of Victoria to the Melbourne Museum and Melbourne Gallery.
- 90. **MR ANDRIGHETTO** To move, That this House commends the Government's support for women in agriculture, recognising the contribution which rural women make to the prosperity and sustainable development of country Victoria and its social fabric.
- 91. **MS GILLETT** To move, That this House condemns the Government for its lack of a policy or strategy on the safe disposal of toxic waste, leaving this most sensitive issue to commercial interests and for its negligence in its duty of care to the constituents of Werribee.
- 92. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the important capital projects being developed through the Office of Major Projects which will contribute to the educational, cultural and economic advancement of Victoria and in particular, notes the progress of the Melbourne Museum, National Gallery of Victoria, State Library, Old Customs House and Federation Square projects.
- 93. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for demystifying the Wills Act.
- 94. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That the State Government be condemned for refusing to accept that the community of Essendon and the north west region have a financial investment in the Essendon Hospital in view of the fact that (a) community donations purchased the land on which the hospital is built; (b) the maternity ward was financed by a bequest from a local resident, Mr Doug Rowe; and (c) a large proportion of beds

- and equipment in the hospital were paid for by charitable donations from the Senior Hospital Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Kiosk Auxiliary and other organisations.
- 95. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning for ignoring the National Trust's objection to the blade as part of the new Museum.
- 96. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to take action against his adviser, the Member for Doutta Galla in the Legislative Council, The Honourable Tayfun Eren, MLC for his attempts to gain access to Office of Housing accommodation despite the fact that his salary as a Member of Parliament makes him ineligible and calls on the Member to resign from the Parliament.
- 97. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Victorian Government for failing to hold an inquiry into Victorian past adoption practices despite (a) evidence that informed consent was not given by hundreds of Victorian mothers for the adoption of their babies between 1964–1982; and (b) the recent lead of the New South Wales Government which is holding a parliamentary inquiry into past, unethical or unlawful adoption practices.
- 98. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for breaking its promise that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit, Australia's leading post– natal depression unit would not be tendered and this House calls on the Government to ensure that the Mercy Mother Baby Unit remains intact and be transferred to a western suburbs obstetrics unit of a public hospital, which would guarantee that mothers and babies would not be located in psychiatric units and that the extensive skills and knowledge base of the unit would be retained.
- 99. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the improved amenity for Victorian rail passengers with the \$5.6 million upgrade of country railway stations.
- 100. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its attack on V/Line freight jobs at Bendigo, including drivers, and seeks an unequivocal assurance that V/Line freight's rail service will continue without any further attacks upon it.
- 101. MR WELLS To move, That this House applauds the Government's efforts to gain a greater share of Federal Government funded university places for the State on the basis of Victoria's higher participation rates in tertiary education and high levels of unmet demand.
- 102. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for instigating a four year \$12 million statewide Weeds Initiative to attack high priority weed infestation.
- 103. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Government stop its legalised theft from community bingo groups at the community bingo centre in Bendigo by immediately allowing the volunteers to give of their services without a fee of \$115 per year having to be paid for each volunteer.
- 104. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his misogynist comments which give tacit support to those who would prefer breast feeding mothers to hide away rather than offering them full encouragement to do what is best for their babies with all the pride, support and encouragement our society should offer.

- MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprincipled and totally unacceptable decision of Patrick Stevedore to sack its entire workforce at 11.31 p.m. on 7 April 1998, putting at risk hundreds of Victorian jobs as well as thousands indirectly in export and import industries, and further condemns the direct involvement of the Victorian Premier and the Treasurer in this action as evidenced by (a) the Premier's association with Mr Peter Kilfoyle; (b) the use of State Government riot gear for private security at Webb Dock in January 1998; (c) the settling of litigation with Patrick Stevedore allowing the NFF to sub– lease Webb Dock No. 5; (d) the use of Education Department satellite facilities and country schools for the NFF to present a one sided version of the waterfront dispute to its members; and calls on the State and Federal Governments to work together on effective port reform involving a co– operative approach between stevedoring companies, the union, port users and the State and Federal Governments.
- 106. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to supporting Victoria's carers, who have given tirelessly of themselves to help those in need.
- 107. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its inability to implement effective port reform at the Port of Melbourne through (a) its bungling of attempts to obtain shipping giant OOCL at the Port, thus losing \$150 million of new investment and the chance of real competition; (b) its support for the Federal Government's industrial relations agenda which has led to the sacking of Patrick Stevedore's entire workforce in Victoria resulting in significant job losses and potential loss of export income; and calls on the Government to work co– operatively with the stevedoring companies, unions and the Melbourne Ports Corporation to enhance the Port of Melbourne through proper port reform and not simply echoing the policies of the Federal Government to blame all productivity problems on the maritime workforce.
- 108. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative to expand the program of the Industrial Supplies Office to include a special focus on rural firms and the delivery of supply chain management advice to rural industries.
- 109. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for imposing the Catchment Management Levy, an additional tax burden on country Victoria, which is not imposed in Melbourne, is uneven in its rates, and has no pensioner or low income concessions.
- 110. **MR ASHLEY** To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest information technology to enhance their education and options, and equip them to meet the challenges of the future.
- 111. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the Government for ensuring that nursing mothers are adequately protected by the new Equal Opportunity Act.
- 112. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 to incorporate the prohibition of breast feeding as a grounds for discrimination against a woman.
- 113. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Minister for Corrections, for knowingly and wilfully misleading the House on Tuesday, 7 April 1998 when he claimed that Mr Tony Holland had been appointed as an official prison visitor and that his previous criminal history was unknown to him because Mr Holland had

"used a different name"; (b) notes that the Minister himself signed the instrument of appointment of official prison visitors for Mr Tony Holland, not any other name, on 5 December 1997, which shows that the Minister was aware of Mr Holland's full name and that Mr Holland was not appointed under a false name; (c) censures the Minister for his attempt to cover up his false statement to the Parliament by not taking the first available opportunity to make a personal explanation and correct his statement, hoping instead that his misleading statement would go unnoticed; (d) expresses its lack of confidence in the Minister because of his gross dereliction of duty and deliberate attempt to deceive the House to cover up his own Ministerial negligence and incompetence; and (e) demands the Minister's resignation.

- MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and 114. Emergency Services for his total incompetence in the running of his portfolio, including the mismanagement of Port Phillip prison leading to riots, suicides, self mutilation and drug abuse, his description of a major break- in at Police Drug Headquarters as a "minor incident", his prejudicial views in relation to gay and lesbian members of the police force and his inability to negotiate a proper wage settlement with the Police Association, his flagrant abuse of corporate credit card guidelines to purchase jewellery for his wife, his allowing Victorian Government riot gear to be used by hired thugs on Webb Dock, his restructure of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade resulting in the replacement of experienced Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Godfredson, with a bureaucrat, his failure to arrest declining morale in the Victoria Police, his tolerance of corruption and misconduct in the Victoria Police, his failure to address the resource crisis within the Victoria Police, his failure to ensure Victorian Emergency Services have an effective and efficient communication system to save lives and property, his mishandling of the Intergraph corruption scandal, his failure to address rampant drug abuse and mismanagement at the Metropolitan Women's Correctional Centre, his failure to ensure appropriate probity checks of private prison operators and official prison visitors and now his deliberate and wilful misleading of the Parliament to cover up his own ministerial negligence and incompetence in the appointment of an official prison visitor with a criminal record.
- 115. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements of the Member for Dandenong North and looks forward with anticipation to the arrival of Mr Tim Holding who in the Honourable Member's words is "brilliant, able to get his mind around things very quickly. In fact he's got more ability than anybody who's in Parliament at the present time ..." and the House notes that the Honourable Member considers Mr Holding better than the Leader of the Opposition.
- 116. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be commended for operation *Bushfire Blitz*, which has brought the prevention and safety message to residents in high risk areas through 1400 street corner meetings, whereby eighty part– time facilitators have conveyed the message to 60,000 people.
- 117. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the very positive impact that the privatisation of the TAB; the business focused approach to operations of the Harness and Greyhound Racing Control Boards; and the removal of restrictions relating to Sunday racing have had on further establishing racing in Victoria as the industry leader in Australia.
- 118. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Women's Affairs to show how the current Equal Opportunity Act adequately protects women who are breast feeding babies from discrimination.

- 119. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House notes the statements by the Minister for Conservation and Land Management on 28 April 1998 regarding the activities of the Member for Albert Park and condemns the Member for Albert Park for his attempts to bully and intimidate a young woman who was formerly employed by the Minister and further the House regrets the effects of his actions on the young woman concerned and her family.
- 120. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for denying children with disabilities a choice of special school which meet their particular educational needs through his introduction of restrictions preventing special school bus services from transporting children from outside their designated zone, thus placing unrealistic expectations on families to provide transport.
- 121. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Opposition to sack his Parliamentary Secretary, the Member for Clayton, for his abuse of ethnic Victorians, particularly members of the Cambodian community, in that he (a) stacked the branch structure of the Springvale electorate with more Cambodians who were unwittingly used so that he could replace the current Member for Springvale with the Electorate Officer for Senator Robert Ray, Mr Tim Holding; and (b) showed a total disregard for multicultural Victoria by his attempts to stir up racial hatred throughout the community.
- 122. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of Opposition to sack the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, the Honourable Theo Theophanous, MLC, for his disgraceful attempts to destroy multiculturalism in Victoria by the use of certain ethnic groups within the Australian Labor Party to stack the party's branch structure so that he and his brother, the Federal member for Calwell, can dictate the direction of any future State Labor Government.
- 123. MR HULLS To move, That the Premier take action against the Member for Mordialloc for his continual racist views in relation to the multicultural community of this state.
- 124. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to ensure that it has proper pre– selection processes in place so that the Australian Labor Party is able to field competent candidates in by– elections and general elections to ensure that the people of Victoria have a viable Opposition committed to the principles of democracy, rather than one, as described by the Member for Northcote, where individuals are able to buy a Labor Party seat in Parliament for \$5,000.
- 125. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continual racist reflections against Members of this House and members of his own constituency.
- 126. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Channel 9 *Sunday* program's producer, reporter and researchers for its accurate portrayal of the internal operations of the Victorian Labor Party, particularly in respect of its politically corrupt pre– selection process.
- 127. MRS McGILL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policy and commitment to provide crisis accommodation for homeless people.

- 128. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for his anti Asian views and condemns the policy of the Liberal– National Coalition to embrace a Hanson– Kennett political ticket.
- 129. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its policies and achievements which continue to address the causes of disadvantage within the Aboriginal community.
- 130. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Mordialloc for continuing to gush racially inspired vile in the tradition of the Neo Nazi One Nation Party rather than acting in the interest of his constituents as he was elected to do.
- 131. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its financial policies which have decreased the cost of living and the cost of doing business in Victoria.
- 132. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House applauds the Government for its recognition of the food industry and the ongoing support to the salinity program, research and other food growing initiatives.
- 133. MR CAMERON To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to immediately rule out options 6 and 7 of the proposed Harcourt Calder Highway bypass which pass through the "Diggings" project area.
- 134. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the express promise of the Liberal–National Coalition at the 1996 election "to construct a new library" in Castlemaine, and notes the admission in 1997 by the former Government appointed Chief Commissioner of the Shire of Mt Alexander that the Government never intended to keep such a promise at the time it was made and accordingly this House demands that the Government fund the proposed reconstruction and alterations of the Castlemaine library building.
- 135. **MS BURKE** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continued support of public libraries in Victoria.
- 136. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate and the fact that current labelling laws allow drinks manufactured predominantly from imported concentrate to be labelled and advertised misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the State Government to immediately introduce truth in advertising legislation to outlaw such deceptive advertising.
- 137. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the massive increase in imports of frozen orange juice concentrate which is mixed with Australian water and then labelled misleadingly as being made or manufactured in Australia, calls on the Victorian Government to support Australian orange producers by requiring that Government agencies and the Premier's Department use only 100% fresh Australian orange juice at official government functions.
- 138. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting that southern Australia's 2,400 citrus growers together directly and indirectly employ around 7,000 people and that juice processors employ around another 3,000, express its deep concern that cheap Brazilian fruit concentrate manufactured in many cases with exploited child labour, is flooding into Victoria because of totally inadequate food labelling laws which allows juice made

from some imported concentrate to be labelled as made or manufactured in Australia and accordingly, calls on the State Government to – (a) implement ethical purchasing policies across all State Government Departments and agencies; (b) convene a meeting of major retail and wholesale organisations to encourage the adoption by them of ethical purchasing policies; and (c) immediately implement "truth in advertising" legislation to outlaw deceptive advertising and labelling on orange juice products.

- 139. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates the Government for introducing legislation to regulate Introduction Agencies in Victoria.
- 140. MR BRUMBY To move, That the Premier and Kennett Government be condemned for its attack on the independence of the Office of the Auditor– General, an attack which has been repudiated by other Parliaments including the New Zealand House of Representatives which inquired into audit office legislation, and found that removing the Auditor– General's capacity to actually audit "would result in unnecessary risks to both the Crown and the audit office ... and could impact negatively on the office's independence".
- 141. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in the development of the national track access body, and in particular, the creation of the Australian Rail Track Corporation.
- 142. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Minister for Youth and Community Services in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.
- 143. MR LIM To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Liberal Party to follow the lead set by the ALP in Victoria, and by other political parties interstate, where they have Australians of Asian background elected to Parliament, by pre-selecting for the next State election candidates from Asian background to safe Liberal seats.
- 144. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services and the Member for Glen Waverley for their pettifogging behaviour over the envelope and the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 145. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Clayton for his gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 146. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the ex Liberal Party MP and Chairman of the Victorian Dairy Industry Authority, Mr Tom Austin and the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for their role in the failed Chinese joint venture which cost Victorian taxpayers \$1.2 million, contravened its legislative charter and did not sell one drop of Victorian milk and calls on Mr Austin to resign immediately.
- 147. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the actions of the Member for Glen Waverley in being prepared to make scurrilous and unfounded accusations against the Member for Gippsland West without making even the most basic efforts to check his facts beforehand.

- 148. MR LIM To move, That this House, noting the Premier's claim to support multiculturalism, calls on him to ensure the Liberal Party endorse candidates of Asian background in its safe seats for the next State election, rather than insulting the Asian community by standing them only in unwinnable safe Labor seats.
- 149. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the Opposition for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 150. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House, noting the great damage of Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party to multiculturalism, tourism and trade, calls on all political parties and their leaders to commit publicly to putting One Nation candidates last on all how to vote cards at the forthcoming State and Federal elections.
- 151. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for allowing kindergarten fees to rise by up to 300% and for his despicable attack on the Member for Gippsland West over the use of one envelope by the Wonthaggi kindergarten.
- 152. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Keilor for gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism in continuing his support for and participation in corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party involving manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 153. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier and the Victorian Liberal Party for their empty rhetoric about multiculturalism and ethnic affairs by their gross failure to secure safe seats for candidates from ethnic background to truly reflect the composition of the Victorian population, as this is in stark contrast to the Opposition which now prides itself in having 36% of its Parliamentarians from ethnic background, and indeed a lot more after the next State election.
- 154. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Member for Gippsland West for assisting community groups such as the Wonthaggi Kindergarten in her electorate.
- 155. MR FINN To move, That this House expresses its sympathy to the Honourable Member for Springvale on being a victim of a gross violation of the spirit of multiculturalism involving corrupt branch stacking practices within the Australian Labor Party, including the manipulation of numerous members of ethnic communities, often without their knowledge.
- 156. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Leader of the National Party for his weak leadership in failing, on two occasions in the Parliament, to rule out a National Party/One Nation Party preference deal.
- 157. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Niddrie, as the potential chief law officer of the State of Victoria, to employ fit and proper people to assist him and not individuals who have defrauded the taxpayer, such as Mr Gordon Lennox who was convicted of defrauding the taxpayers of Australia.

- 158. MR LIM To move, That this House noting the extremist and racist views of Mrs Pauline Hanson and the damage this has done to multiculturalism, tourism, and trade, condemns the Premier and Leader of the National Party for their failure to ensure that coalition candidates put Mrs Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party last on how– to-vote cards in forthcoming Federal and State elections.
- 159. MS McCALL To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to lifelong learning in Victoria's unique multi– sector institutions, evidenced in the high level of articulation and credit transfer of TAFE students to university degree studies.
- 160. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government for its total mismanagement of tendering processes in the Department of Human Services, as demonstrated in the Intergraph fiasco and as comprehensively demonstrated in the Auditor- General's report on Ministerial Portfolios May 1998, which showed that the Department had failed to draw up business plans for tendering and had produced no guidelines to monitor whether goods and services had been provided, as specified in contracts or for monitoring the quality of services.
- 161. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the finalisation of Australia's first Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) which will ensure protection of biodiversity and old growth forest whilst supporting economic and employment growth for regional forest industries.
- 162. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Tullamarine for his subterranean activities in attempting to undermine the Member for Gisborne.
- 163. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the many initiatives it has introduced to support Victorian families through a wide range of parenting advice and information programs.
- MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the belated support of the 164. Premier for AFL Park and his intention to meet the AFL on the matter and further notes that this has only occurred after a two year campaign by the State Opposition and the presentation of a 14,000 signature petition to the House in 1997, as well as - (a) public meetings organised by the Hawthorn Football Club; (b) the support of 16 local councils in the east and south-east of Melbourne and Gippsland; and (c) the 1996 census figures indicating that 33.5% of school aged children, the future support of Aussie Rules Football, live in 9 municipalities located near AFL Park; and accordingly, calls on the Premier to offer adequate support to the Save Waverley Campaign, by offering a save AFL Park package, that includes improvements to the road network to improve accessibility to AFL Park, including on/off ramps on the South Eastern Freeway into the AFL car park, internal road networks at AFL Park including dedicated bus and taxi lanes, and priority bus lanes to AFL Park from locations such as Knox Shopping Centre, Ringwood Eastland complex, Glen Waverley, Clayton and Dandenong Railway Stations and any other appropriate locations.
- 165. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Leader of the Victorian Opposition, the Member for Broadmeadows, and the Member for Werribee to ensure that the New South Wales division of the ALP return the \$46,450 donated by CSR Limited between 1993–97 to that division and in the event of the N.S.W. ALP's refusal to return the funds, the Leader of the Opposition provides this House with an assurance that the Victorian ALP will not in the foreseeable future accept moneys from the N.S.W. division of the ALP.

- 166. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House disallows the offensive Forests (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1998 and condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her authoritarian and arrogant action in secretively declaring these regulations, which strip away the public's right of entry into public forests in order to hide its forestry operations from public scrutiny.
- 167. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Williamstown to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 168. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Prime Minister, the Honourable John Howard, for failing to deliver on his promise to introduce legislation setting in place a tariff freeze on both the automotive and textile, clothing and footwear industries, a mechanism to give support to important Victorian industries, and which had bipartisan support in this State.
- 169. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Richmond to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 170. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns that Minister for Youth and Community Services for his failure to organise the necessary range of early intervention services for the 30 pre– school children who until 30 June 1998 used the Spastic Society's Mildura services and because of the Minister's mismanagement those 30 children, and another 6 children on the Spastic Society's waiting list, are from 31 August 1998, receiving less therapy and an *ad hoc* service and calls on the Minister to provide a prompt and comprehensive early intervention service in rural Victoria.
- 171. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Altona to provide the House with a detailed explanation of her role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 172. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Coburg to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 173. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Member for Albert Park to provide the House with a detailed explanation of his role as a senior ministerial adviser in the Cain/Kirner Government, better known as the "Guilty Party", whom the former Premier, the Honourable John Cain, on page 60 of his book, described as "playing a watchdog role".
- 174. **MR LEIGH** To move, That in view of the senior positions held by the Member for Thomastown, this House calls on the Member for Thomastown (a) to provide the House with a full and frank statement as to his role as State Secretary of the Victorian

- ALP in attempting to mislead the electorate in the Nunawading re– election in 1985; (b) to reveal whether he and former Premier Cain discussed what actions they could take to frustrate police inquiries; (c) to reveal whether he, as State Secretary of the Victorian ALP, and Mrs Kay Setches, the former Member for Ringwood, refused to fully co– operate with police during their investigations; (d) to reveal whether it was his plan to attempt to mislead the voters of Nunawading or was he directed by more senior figures in the ALP to secure Nunawading Province thereby guaranteeing control of the Legislative Council; and (e) to reveal whether former Premier Cain advised him that the Police Commissioner and other senior officers had requested a Royal Commission into the Nunawading affair.
- 175. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the admission by the Minister for Health that the Government "has been concerned for some time regarding the long term viability" of the Maldon Hospital when the Government had made an election promise in March 1996 of a \$500,000 capital works upgrade within 12 months, but did not do it; and accordingly, this House demands that the Government now make up to Maldon for its disregard by doing all works at the hospital for it to be viable on an ongoing basis even though such cost will now exceed the original broken promise sum of \$500,000.
- 176. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier to explain his knowledge of and involvement in ethnic branch stacking by his Ethnic Affairs advisor Mr Nick Kotsiris in a politically corrupt attempt to win Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen.
- 177. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns all those in the Victorian Division of the Liberal Party involved in efforts to unseat the Member for Bulleen through the mass recruitment of Greek Australians into Liberal Party Branches ahead of the Liberal Party's state pre-selections later this year.
- 178. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for the project facilitation services provided via Business Victoria with a special focus on servicing country Victoria, the service of which helps fast track major projects, and exemplifies Victoria's 'CAN DO' attitude to winning investments.
- 179. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for corruptly depriving Liberal members of this Parliament of their right under Liberal Party rules to elect eight members to the Liberal pre-selection convention in his desperation to dump Kroger/Howard supporter, Karen Synon, and calls on the Premier to make an immediate statement to the House to explain his involvement in this vote rigging exercise.
- 180. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its securing of major sporting events through the Melbourne Major Events Company and Tourism Victoria; and on work undertaken by the Melbourne Sports Training Coordination Centre and Sport and Recreation Victoria in attracting pre-Olympic training and competition to Victoria; and that the economic benefits to the State of Victoria derived through these strategies are acknowledged.
- 181. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns efforts by the Premier, in his capacity as Minister for Ethnic Affairs, and others in the Liberal Party to lower the standing and reputation of the Greek community by their complicity in efforts to defeat the Member for Bulleen in the forthcoming pre-selection for the seat of Bulleen.

- 182. MR JASPER To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the CFA be congratulated for the 500 CFA volunteers who left their jobs and families at short notice to fight the NSW bushfires in January 1998, particularly for their commitment and community spirit.
- 183. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House calls on the Premier and Minister for Ethnic Affairs to sack his Ethnic Affairs adviser, Mr Nick Kotsiris, for relentlessly stacking branches with members of the Greek community to unseat the Member for Bulleen and contaminating the spirit of multi-culturalism in this state.
- 184. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to assist young people who are homeless.
- 185. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that the cost of installing a new sewerage scheme in towns in the Coliban district of \$1,950 per block has not been reduced since the Government gave funds for works in the Coliban district, despite the Government's claim such funds were to assist country people and accordingly this House demands the Government account for its failure to offer real assistance, particularly in those towns where sewerage is being imposed against the wishes of the community.
- 186. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on turning around Victoria's budget position from a \$2.5 billion deficit to an overall sustainable surplus.
- 187. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his refusal to permit an independent review of the decision of the school council of Forest Hill Secondary College to close its Blackburn South Campus at the end of 1998; and notes (a) that the Member for Waverley Province, the Honourable A. R. Brideson, MLC, told a public meeting earlier this year he was appalled by the consultation process of the school; (b) that the Member for Waverley Province proposed to the public meeting that an independent review of the decision be conducted by the Minister; (c) that the Member for Waverley Province also proposed to the public meeting that he and the Member for Bennettswood lead a deputation of parents and students to the Minister prior to a review being concluded; and (d) that no independent review was conducted by the Minister whose action in endorsing the original decision of the school council has placed the Member for Waverley Province in an intolerable position with regard to his constituents.
- 188. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for providing students with the latest testing procedures and parents with the most comprehensive reporting mechanisms available.
- 189. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for vote rigging in the Liberal Party's Victorian Senate pre-selection to dump Kroger/Howard supporter Karen Synon in favour of one of his own supporters.
- 190. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Police and Emergency Services on their support of law and order in country communities with the upgrading of rural Victorian Police Stations.

- 191. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his attack on schools which have incensed school councils through his claim that Victorian Government Schools are awash with money when the Productivity Commission, Grants Commission and the Ministerial Council of Education Ministers all show Victorian schools are the lowest funded of any state.
- 192. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the integrity of the process associated with the Docklands development.
- 193. MR LEIGH To move, That this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the decision by the Federal Member for Holt for treating the voters of Australia with such petulance and arrogance by stating that he is resigning from Federal Parliament following the failure of the Federal Australian Labor Party to win Government.
- 194. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House, noting the tragic loss of life and massive economic dislocation to Victoria and other States as a result of the Esso Longford gas explosion on Friday, 25 September 1998, calls for the immediate establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster and all other related matters, including - (a) the adequacy of the plant maintenance and inspection regimes undertaken by Esso; (b) the effectiveness of the oversight by the Victorian WorkCover Authority in relation to administering its responsibilities under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985 and the Dangerous Goods Act 1985; (c) the extent to which the introduction of self regulation of Occupational Health and Safety increased the risk of such an incident; (d) the extent to which specialist knowledge within Government regulatory authorities has been lost as a result of the disaggregation of the Gas and Fuel Corporation; (e) whether the powers of the Office of the Regulator-General should be widened to include 'engineering audits', or whether a new regulatory body should be established to supervise high risk activities in the oil and gas sector; (f) the measures that need to be taken to ensure that a disaster of this nature can never occur again; and (g) the Royal Commission be established as a public inquiry under the Evidence Act 1958 with the power to subpoena documents and take evidence under oath and to report no later than the end of this year.
- 195. MR LEIGH To move, That this House calls on the Victorian Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party to oppose any attempt by the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party to impose Mrs Cheryl Kernot, a Queensland resident, on the people of Holt; and that this House expresses its extreme disappointment with the member for Holt for his decision to resign as a Federal member following the people of Australia's decision to re-elect the Howard Government.
- 196. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House extends its sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the families, friends and workmates of those workers tragically killed and injured at the Longford gas explosion on Friday, September 25 1998 and further acknowledges and thanks workers at the Esso plant for their extraordinary efforts over the last week to restore the state's gas supply.
- 197. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for not taking action to uphold the basic standards required by Parliament and the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility by failing to take action over the outrageous and improper conduct of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services who (a) acted in contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) and section 6(2)(b) of the Act; (b) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Department of State

Development when it awarded a grant to that company; (c) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia to the Victorian Cabinet in March 1998 when the Minister voted to approve an extension to the existing barley marketing arrangements for a further season through the Agriculture Acts (Amendment) Bill; (d) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian Parliament on 1 May 1998 when the Minister spoke in favour of extending the Australian Barley Board's single desk export marketing of grain, despite the calls by his competitors that competition should be widened; and (e) failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd to the Victorian people when he publicly gave two pursuit of excellence awards to his own company on 29 May 1998; and calls on the Premier to immediately take action to stand down Minister McGrath so as to salvage any remnants of respect for the Victorian Parliament, the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility and basic Ministerial standards.

- 198. **MR JOHN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government for establishing the Victorian Women's Council, thereby ensuring that Victorian women have a real voice in the policy development process.
- 199. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House notes the legal advice from Mrs. Felicity Hampel Q.C. who after examining the conduct of Minister McGrath in accepting a grant from the Government of which he is a senior Minister, advised that: "Even assuming that such a provision [Section 55] should be interpreted narrowly, in my opinion it is likely in those circumstances that a court would hold that he has become concerned or interested in the receipt and application of the grant, or has become entitled to participate in the profit of the grant, or in a benefit arising from it"; and that therefore he is in breach of Section 55 of the Victorian Constitution and calls on the Premier to refer this serious matter pursuant to Section 300 of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958, to the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Disputed Returns so that the blatant conflict of interest and breach of the Victorian Constitution by Minister McGrath can be considered impartially and not by the Premier and the National Party.
- 200. MR PERRIN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its continuing success in bus industry reform, in particular the renegotiation of metropolitan route bus contracts which provide incentives to increase service and patronage whilst delivering significant cost efficiencies.
- 201. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House notes the judgement by Justice Vincent of the Supreme Court in the decision of Ellis v Atkinson, when ruling on the application of s55 of the Constitution Act 1975 found that the Supreme Court did not have the jurisdiction to determine whether the former Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government, the Honourable Bruce Atkinson, M.L.C. had breached section 55 of the Constitution, stated: "It is to put it mildly, unfortunate that the entitlement of a member of the legislature of this state to sit and vote on matters of great public importance cannot be determined through some independent and impartial process and may ultimately depend upon the balance of political power within the house itself"; and the response to the judgement of the Premier when he responded to a question whether he would take advice in relation to those comments when he stated: "I certainly will. He's a judge that I have a high regard for"; and further noting the failure of the Premier to take action whatsoever, condemns the Premier for failing to act to provide for an independent determination of whether a Member is entitled to sit in the Victorian Parliament, and to continue to allow Ministers and backbenchers to openly and blatantly flout the Victorian Constitution.

- 202. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House applauds the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his pivotal role in the international marketing of Victorian education institutions overseas.
- 203. MR HULLS To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 in that he has breached section 6(2)(a) of the said Act in that (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) he has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(a) of the Act which states: "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information (a) Where the Member receives or is entitled to receive a financial benefit during any part of the return period the income source of such financial benefit"; and in acting in the above manner, the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 204. MR TREASURE To move, That this House commends the Government on the publication of its Biodiversity Strategy for Victoria and its leadership in environmental management to protect and sustain the State's biodiversity.
- 205. MR BRUMBY - To move, That this House immediately deals with the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Honourable Bill McGrath, M.P. for contempt of the Parliament pursuant to section 9 of the Members of Parliament (Register of Interests) Act 1978 (the Act) in that he has breached section 6(2)(i) of the said Act in that - (a) the Minister invested in Harvest Grain Australia at the latest in August 1996; and (b) the Minister's company Harvest Grain Australia received a Government grant in the 1996/97 financial year to assist the company; and (c) the Minister has failed to declare his interest in Harvest Grain Australia Pty Ltd by the final deadline of 30 August 1997 as required by section 6(2)(i) of the Act which states - "For the purposes of this Act an ordinary return shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain the following information: (i) Any other substantial interest whether of a pecuniary nature or not of the Member's or of a member of his family of which the Member is aware and which the Member considers might appear to raise a material conflict between his private interest and his public duty as a Member"; and in acting in the above manner the Minister has acted in a way as to bring discredit upon the Parliament and failed to meet the most basic Ministerial standards.
- 206. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its continued support of Victoria's pre-school services and its commitment to ensuring that all Victorian children have the opportunity to attend pre-school.
- 207. MR LONEY To move, That this House notes that in the 3 October 1998 Federal Election the people of Victoria overwhelmingly voted against the policies of John Howard and the Liberal Party giving them only 46% of votes and a minority of Victoria's Federal seats.
- 208. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House commends the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade for instituting an Australian Teacher of Media (ATOM) Award for the design and preparation of the first Australian fire education CD entitled "Be Cool When its Hot".

- 209. MR RICHARDSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its initiatives to provide long term community housing to those most in need.
- 210. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for misleading the House over the payment of \$123,000 made to St. John of God Services Victoria for disability accommodation services and in particular for his attempts to cover up the real facts including his denial that the payment was made when it was in fact made, and accordingly, calls for a full probity investigation to investigate the tender process and whether it has been improperly influenced by a personal relationship between a Department of Human Services manager and a manager in St. John of God.
- 211. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the magnificent manner in which he has discharged his Parliamentary duties and his Ministerial responsibilities.
- 212. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to make a full Ministerial Statement on the explosions at the Esso plant at Longford, and the consequent loss of Victoria's gas supply, forthwith.
- 213. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates those Victorians who have demonstrated their commitment to Australia's telecommunications industry by purchasing shares in Telstra and that this House further congratulates the Member for Melbourne Province, the Hon. D. Walpole, MLC, the Members for Dandenong North, Mill Park and Yan Yean who, despite official ALP policy to oppose the privatisation of Telstra, have demonstrated their leadership of the Victorian ALP and purchased Telstra shares.
- 214. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for his bungling of the automatic ticket machine introduction and notes that (a) since the introduction of the machines, almost 7,000 refunds have been paid out to commuters as a consequence of malfunctioning machines; (b) the value of these refunds has amounted to approximately \$45,000; (c) the average value of each claim is approximately \$6.20; and (d) the above figures are indicative of massive frustration being imposed on commuters, and calls on the Minister to make a full explanation to the House of the reasons for the failings of the automatic ticketing system.
- 215. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its policies and programs to treble plantation forestry in Victoria, particularly through the establishment of plantations on private land.
- 216. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for his abject failure to respond to questions on notice asked by the Member for Mitcham concerning the provision of state education services in the Electorate of Mitcham, and notes that since February this year numerous questions have been placed on the Notice Paper for the Minister's attention concerning (a) provision of education services; (b) maintenance arrangements; (c) class sizes; (d) contract teaching; (e) staffing levels; (f) sale of former school sites; (g) future department plans to close or merge existing schools; and (h) principal training courses, and notes further, that on 14 July this year the Minister was sent a letter pointing out his failure to respond to these questions, and calls on the Minister to demonstrate some commitment to public education in the Mitcham Electorate by providing answers to the outstanding questions at the earliest opportunity.

- 217. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on successfully privatising Victoria's electricity industry and on the resultant benefits to Victoria.
- 218. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Administrative Committee of the Victorian Labor Party for belatedly undertaking an investigation into the branch stacking activities of the Member for Clayton and certain other members of the Victorian ALP and that (a) to demonstrate that the ALP is committed to democracy that after receiving the report make it publicly available; and (b) that after releasing the report on 12 December better known in ALP circles as Dirty Linen Day, it introduces controls and practices on its membership so as not to again misuse members of the ethnic community in their internal power struggles.
- 219. MR PHILLIPS To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the progress of the Docklands project which will generate significant private sector investment in development of a new gateway to Melbourne.
- 220. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House (a) condemns the Kennett Government and the Minister for Planning for their authoritarian and undemocratic dismissal of the elected Councillors at the Shire of Nillumbik; and (b) declares the decision an insult to the residents and ratepayers of Nillumbik by an arrogant and corrupt Government that has no respect for the ability of those residents and ratepayers to make decisions in their own interest.
- 221. MS BURKE To move, That this House congratulates this Government on the \$24 million upgrade of Flinders Street Station and in particular the improvements in access for the mobility impaired.
- 222. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House congratulates the Premier for his vision in establishing the first ever Vanilla Slice Competition to be held in Ouyen on Friday, 23 October 1998.
- 223. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House takes note of the Report dated 18 August 1998 from Commissioner David Abrahams relating to the Nillumbik Shire Council.
- 224. MR SAVAGE To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Litter Act 1987 to incorporate container deposit legislation and for other purposes.
- 225. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its proposed legislative changes, as outlined in the Fawkner Crematorium and Memorial Park recently tabled 1997 Annual Report, which would allow the introduction of private enterprise cemeteries and crematoria and thus jeopardise existing publicly owned cemeteries that honour their community service obligations, and respect cemeteries and crematoria as sacred sites.
- 226. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his failure to recognise the difficulties faced by remote and rural pre-schools to employ suitably qualified relief staff and his failure to provide in the Community Services Regulations adequate opportunities for children in remote and rural communities to access their pre-school when their regular teacher is absent.
- 227. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and contact details of pre-schools in the Northern Metropolitan Region which has received funding

from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1119, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.

- 228. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's east with the merger of Eastern Institute of TAFE and Swinburne University of Technology.
- 229. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to suspend all negotiations over the privatisation of native forest areas of State forest in the Eastern Strzeleckis, until after full and proper consideration can be given to proposals for additional reserve areas which are vital to protect temperate rainforest and native fauna and flora threatened by those sales.
- 230. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the establishment of Parks Victoria which will integrate the management of the statewide parks system with Melbourne's regional open space system.
- 231. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Eastern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 984, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 232. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to provide evidence that it has properly advised interested forest harvesting companies of how little of the area in the Eastern Strzeleckis they will be able to legally log, despite the significant acreage they are being offered for purchase.
- 233. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses, phone and fax contact details of pre-schools in the Southern Metropolitan Region which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question No. 1146, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 234. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to disability services in Victoria, and further, that the House notes the Government's dedication to responding to Victorians' in need.
- 235. MS DAVIES To move, That this House calls on the Government to properly study the unique and valuable nature of the terrain, water catchment and flora and fauna of the Eastern Strzelecki State forests before selling them off to multi-nationals.

- 236. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Education on the Koori 2000 strategy, which provides Koori communities with greater input into educational issues.
- 237. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for the despotic management of his portfolio, his arrogant refusal to all Merlynston and North Coburg residents and businesses to fully argue their case against the closure of the Shorts Road rail crossing in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and his contempt for the democratic process as witnessed by his tabling of Moreland Planning Scheme No. L59.
- 238. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the Leader of the Opposition on his performance since the 1996 State election and (a) calls on ALP members of Parliament to disregard the comments by the State Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union in The Age on 27 October 1998 that many are advocating changes, including people from Brumby's faction; and (b) calls on all Labor members in both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council to publically support his leadership.
- 239. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition in that one member of his Shadow Cabinet should resign, so the Member for Northcote is able to be promoted, thereby keeping the commitment he made to the Member for Northcote prior to the by-election.
- 240. MR LEIGH To move, That this House supports the Leader of the Opposition's attempts to ensure that the ALP does not endorse candidates for the next municipal election for the City of Melbourne because of concern by the Leader of the Opposition that an endorsed ALP controlled council could embarrass the State Opposition.
- 241. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Southern and Western metropolitan regions and Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Koori Pre-school Assistance Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 957, 1011, 1038, 1065, 1092 and 1146, his response was "the information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Koori Pre-school Program.
- 242. MR LUPTON To move, That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade be congratulated for the success of the Board's financial management over recent years.
- 243. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his appalling record of undemocratic intervention in planning matters and calls on the Minister to support the Gisborne City Council's rejection of an application to allow the Wooling Hill vineyard to be replaced by a "cemetery" which has now been appealed to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- 244. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private member's bill, namely, a Bill to enshrine the independence of the Auditor-General in the Constitution in response to the blatant attempt by the Premier to destroy the independence of the Auditor-General.

- 245. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government, and in particular the Minister for Planning and Local Government, for putting Ballarat's historic buildings at risk of demolition as a result of the Minister's failure to grant the City of Ballarat interim controls over heritage buildings and their demolition.
- 246. MR LIM To move, That this House (a) draw the Premier's attention to recent reports in The Age and The Australian that his advisor, Mr Nick Kotsiras, has been involved in the abuse and violation of the rights of members of the Greek community by organising ethnic branch stacking within this community in the electorate of Bulleen in an attempt to steal Liberal Party pre-selection from the Member for Bulleen, Mr David Perrin; and (b) calls on the Premier, in his capacity as the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, to refer these serious allegations to the Equal Opportunity Commission, Anti-Discrimination Tribunal and Victoria Police for investigation as he has done in the past.
- 247. MR BRUMBY To move, That this House immediately proceed to deal with the following private members bill, namely, a Bill to establish a scheme of compensation to cover pedal cyclists who are injured in accidents involving stationary motor vehicles as in the tragic case of Mr Dale Shepherd who this Government has abandoned.
- 248. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to multimedia which has attracted \$1.2 billion of new investment in the last 3 years and created thousands of jobs.
- 249. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House supports the petition of Heathmont residents to have the Heathmont Primary School site retained as public open space, and condemns the Member for Bayswater for refusing to back the demands of residents in this matter.
- 250. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment of \$450 million to rural Victoria for the implementation of major reforms and improvement to water and sewerage supply, noting that this package will achieve an 18% reduction in user pays tariffs, accelerated improvement to drinking water and effluent treatment and implement significant dam improvements, salinity and nutrient reduction measures.
- 251. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for winding down aged care facilities and offering staff redundancy packages in an attempt to close down the Kingston Centre by stealth and condemns the Member for Mordialloc for failing to ensure the future of the Kingston Centre.
- 252. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for the abolition of compensation for pain and suffering for victims of crime and calls on the Attorney-General to scrap her failed and token replacement scheme and work towards the development of a just and workable compensation system that meets the real needs of victims of crime.
- 253. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the progress of the reform of planning in this state through the introduction of the Victorian Planning Provisions which provide a system that is responsive to local policies and community needs, and the opportunities created for public input and participation in Local Government planning rules.

- 254. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Berwick for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within the south eastern growth corridor.
- 255. MR ROWE To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$123 million rationalisation of the Jolimont rail yards from 53 to 12 tracks which will reduce travel times and increase reliability of train services between Richmond and Flinders Street Stations.
- 256. **MR LIM** To move, That this House (*a*) notes the practice of Government Members of presenting a piece of paper at ethnic community functions, the so-called "pledge" of support for ethnic diversity and multiculturalism; (*b*) recognises that ethnic community groups urgently need practical, concrete support from governments, rather than empty rhetoric and patronising platitudes; and (*c*) calls on the Government to back up its words with deeds rather than slashing funding for vital education, training, employment, interpreting, aged care and other ethnic programs.
- 257. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House applauds the Government's commitment to increasing the number and choice of training opportunities for Victorians through its \$77 million tendered training programs.
- 258. MR HULLS To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland East for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 259. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government for adding over 23,000 hectares of the parks system including Chiltern Box Iron Bark, French Island and Lake Eildon National Parks, the Bay of Islands, Cape Conran and Cape Liptrap Coastal Parks and additions to 17 existing parks.
- 260. MR HAERMEYER To move, that this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his draconian and unjust dismissal of the democratically elected Nillumbik Shire Council and for permitting the Government appointed administrator to ask residents to vote on a set of alternative new boundaries, without any consultation with the community, no options for an all ward council and no option to keep the current boundaries and structure.
- 261. MRS McGILL To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its ongoing commitment to Victoria's Maternal and Child Health Services which, as a result of Government support, is now attracting high levels of consumer satisfaction and awareness among Victorian families.
- 262. MS GARBUTT To move, that this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure that the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertakes a clean up of medical waste found illegally dumped in the Patterson Creek, and calls on the Government to ensure the EPA puts in place a local action plan which includes a rapid and thorough clean up program, fencing off or erecting warning signs at areas where a

- public danger exists, establishing an emergency phone line for residents to report any further illegal dumping, and a timetable for reporting back to the public on clean up progress.
- 263. MR JOHN To move, that the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board be commended for the outstanding performance of its members at the tragic fire at Kew Cottages on 8 April 1996 which resulted in the awarding of a Victorian Meritorious Unit Citation.
- 264. MR ROBINSON To move, that this House condemns the Member for Gippsland South for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity, Mr. Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of the Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 265. MR RYAN To move, that this House congratulates Mr. Jeremy Gaylard for the manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities as the Chair of Melbourne Market Authority, resulting in an improvement in turnover and consequent increase in profit of 43% in the five years since 1993/94.
- 266. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the Victorian Initiative for Minerals and Petroleum and the four-fold increase which has occurred since 1992 in minerals exploration investment.
- 267. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its destruction of the Victorian health system as evidenced by the appalling two year waiting list for eye surgery at Ballarat Base Hospital.
- 268. MRS PEULICH To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the success of the reforms in the plumbing industry that have streamlined regulation, reduced costs to industry while maintaining a high level of consumer protection.
- MS GARBUTT To move That this House condemns the Government for imposing massive costs of up to \$4,000 per household for sewerage and water works throughout rural Victoria including Bannockburn, Skenes Creek, Briagolong, Boolarra, Coongulla, Seaspray, Avoca, Carisbrook, Clunes, Learmonth, Skipton, Huntly, Marong, Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Harcourt, Dunolly, Echuca (part), Kyneton/Tylden, Maldon, Newstead, Pyramid Hill, Trentham, Wedderburn, Swan Reach/Johnsonville, Nicholson, Bruthen, Cann River, Dunkeld, Avenel, Girgarre, Merrigum, Rushworth, Stanhope, Violet Town, Wandong/Heathcote Junction, Ouyen, Minyip, Nyah/Nyah West, Lake Boga, Koondrook, Kiewa/Tangambalanga, Barnawartha, Bundalong, Porepunkah, Bulla, Lancefield, Macedon/Mt Macedon, Tenby Point, Newhaven, Dalyston/Kilcunda, Allansford, Koroit, Mortlake, Timboon, while at the same time allowing massive waste of up to \$100 million taxpayer's funds through excessive advertising, consultants and credit card abuse.
- 270. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House supports the Government's initiatives to develop Victoria's sustainable and internationally competitive agricultural industries noting that the agri-food industry employs more than 130,000 people and is responsible for one-third of the State's export earnings.

- 271. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Member for Carrum for his failure to ensure that \$170 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent need for improved access and traffic safety along Wells Road from Patterson River to the Mordialloc Creek.
- 272. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Wimmera for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 273. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for antagonizing and dividing the ethnic communities through its ill-conceived so called "LOTE (Language Other Than English) Teacher Award 1998", which recognized only the work of the teachers of eight language groups at the expense of 45 others, who have equally and significantly contributed to the teaching of LOTE in Victoria.
- 274. MR WELLS To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the trial of the NightLink tram services which has provided a unique weekend evening tram service to inner city locations during daylight saving.
- 275. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to provide a regular water supply to residents in Sunbury which has resulted in the imposition of water restrictions before summer has even started and calls on the Government to link Sunbury to the Melbourne Mains system which ends approximately 20 kilometres from Sunbury at Greenvale.
- 276. MR ROWE To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's south eastern area with the merger of Peninsula, Casey and Barton Institutes of TAFE.
- 277. MR CARLI To move, That this House condemns the Member for Murray Valley for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 278. MR TREASURE To move, that this House congratulates the Government for its reconstruction of management arrangements for Victoria's Alpine Resorts to enhance the protection of their unique natural values and access to them for recreational enjoyment.

- 279. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for its failure to support the proposal of the Moonee Valley City Council and the local community in relation to the Niddrie Quarry site and urges the Government to take all steps to put a stop to the toxic waste proposal being put forward by Quarry Industries Pty. Ltd.
- 280. MR. JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government for providing greater support to Victoria's foster care givers and giving due recognition to the invaluable role these volunteers play in providing stability and guidance to young people in need.
- 281. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to listen to country Victorians, who have petitioned Parliament, voted in surveys, and protested in every way they know how against proposed sewerage schemes in dozens of country towns which will force people to sell their homes or take out loans, and calls on the Government to conduct referenda on these proposals, abide by the results and drop its plans to fatten up Regional Water Authorities for privatisation.
- 282. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, that the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the successful closure of four antiquated and inefficient prisons and the commissioning of three modern, cost effective and efficient facilities.
- 283. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing the young Vietnamese offenders by refusing to respond to the last two annual reports of the Youth Parole Board calling for the Government to act as a matter of urgency to address the dramatic rise in the number of young Vietnamese in institutions and detention, therefore encouraging a culture of "blaming the victims" in its conduct of ethnic affairs.
- 284. MR JOHN To move, that this House congratulates the Government on its Skills.net programme, that is delivering access to the internet throughout the community including rural Victoria.
- 285. MR MICALLEF To move, That this House condemns the Government for the lack of provision of youth detox services available for addicts seeking those services, which has led to a number of recent deaths of addicts who were on waiting lists to use those facilities.
- 286. MRS PEULICH To move, That this House endorses the Government's goals for Victoria to achieve \$6 billion in food and agriculture exports by the year 2001 to enhance the international competitiveness of the State's primary industries and thereby build stronger regional economies.
- 287. MR McGRATH (Warrnambool) To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bundoora for misleading the House on the cost of sewerage projects in the communities of Mortlake, Koroit and Allansford by using costings of over \$4000 per property when in fact the cost is really \$2450 and further condemns the Member for Bundoora for advocating environmental vandalism by supporting the retention of the proven inadequate septic tank system.
- 288. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Liberal/National Party Government for allowing small towns to choose if they want sewerage and then withdrawing that promise and express commitment to them.
- 289. MR JOHN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the NightRider bus service which continues to carry many thousands of people every year.

- 290. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities as shown by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Pre-school Statewide Support Services Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 958, 985, 1012, 1039, 1066, 1093, 1120 and 1147, and his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.
- 291. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House censures the Premier for misleading the House on Tuesday, 27 October 1998 as a consequence of his statement that the inquiry into Sun Health had concluded and his subsequent and continued failure to give a personal explanation.
- 292. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House expresses its concern at the confusion created by the Minister for Housing over waiting list numbers for the Eastern Region, noting that (a) in her response to Question on Notice No. 57, she advised that a total of 5659 people were waiting for public housing in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at 30 June 1998; (b) the Whitehorse Gazette reported on 4 November 1998 that its own inquiries through Freedom of Information channels indicated a figure closer to 9,000; and (c) advice from an Eastern Housing Organisation puts the current waiting list at approximately 8,000 for the region, and calls on the Minister to give a full explanation why her figures understate the public housing crisis so substantially.
- 293. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to improving the post-secondary education and training opportunities for young people in Melbourne's western suburbs with the merger of Western Institute of TAFE with the Victoria University of Technology.
- 294. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Warrnambool for failing to take action against prominent National Party identity Mr Jeremy Gaylard, part-time Chairman of the Melbourne Market Authority (MMA) for spending \$78,562 on his MMA credit card while being on a package of up to \$140,000 a year and for collecting up to \$80,000 when he was Chairman of Moira Shire Council and then leaving the Shire \$17 million in debt and for oversighting the introduction of a savage new Catchment Management Authority tax that will drain up to \$20 million from country Victorians who are already reeling from school and hospital closures and other Kennett Government cutbacks.
- 295. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government's release of the Victorian Coastal Strategy to protect the natural values and beauty of Victoria's coasts and to provide a strategic planning framework for appropriate social and economic uses.
- 296. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to ensure the construction of the promised transport interchange at the intersection of Doncaster Road and the Eastern Freeway, and notes that (a) the Ministers for Transport and Roads and Ports along with the Member for Templestowe Province, Mr Furletti, are on public record as saying that the expected completion date of the project was mid 1998; (b) despite the first sod being turned in October 1997, construction of the

- facility has not proceeded; and (c) no explanation has been offered by the Ministers for Transport or Roads and Ports for the delay, and calls on the Government to provide a full and frank explanation of why this project has failed to be constructed.
- 297. MR TRAYNOR To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the introduction of modern correctional standards, ensuring that Victoria remains a leader in the delivery of cost effective, efficient and modern correctional services.
- 298. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to quality assurance programs which protect Victoria's international reputation as a producer and exporter of clean, safe food and agricultural products through best practice quality management systems.
- 299. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House condemns the profligacy of the Victorian Government in allowing a blow-out in executive salaries in the Public Transport Corporation, noting that (a) the Public Transport Corporation Annual Report states that remuneration of responsible persons has increased by 47% in 1998 to \$573,000; (b) the bill for advisory services and staff rose by over 1200% to \$182,000 in the same period; and (c) bonuses paid increased by 729% to \$197,000 in 1998 whilst at the same time introducing a below standard automatic ticketing system and failing to ensure appropriate staffing of railway stations in the Mitcham electorate.
- 300. MR ROBINSON To move, That this House records it enduring appreciation of the contribution made by thousands of Victorians who served in theatres of war during 1914-18, noting in particular the role played by Victorian troops in the decisive battles in France in the months immediately prior to the Armistice on 11 November 1918.
- 301. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his (a) failure to provide 69 unfunded and 263 funded neighbourhood houses with advice regarding future funding; and (b) inability to act on the Spice Report which was presented to him in April 1998 after more than 6 months consultation with the sector, and further calls on the Minister to recognise the chaos his indecision is causing and to provide vision and leadership in the future for neighbourhood houses.
- 302. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Member for Knox for his failure to ensure that \$150 million of revenue raised through the 3-cents-a-litre Better Roads Levy was spent on improvements to Victoria's road network, particularly given the urgent needs of roads within his electorate, including the upgrading of the Wellington Road/Lysterfield Road intersection.
- 303. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continuing benefits being delivered to Victorians from the restructure of Local Government and associated reforms in municipal administration.
- 304. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its failure to adequately protect the health and amenity of residents of Rosanna and Macleod following the reconstruction of the Rosanna Road/Greensborough Highway intersection by its rigid and inappropriate application of guidelines for noise barriers on existing roads.

- 305. MR LEIGH To move, That this House congratulates the former Member for Altona for her letter in The Age of 13 November 1998 and suggests that in the interest of Victorian democracy that the Members for Williamstown, Albert Park and Niddrie read the article before seeking to remove the Leader of the Opposition from his position as Leader of the Victorian ALP.
- 306. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House supports the Australian Services Nurses Memorial to be built in Anzac Parade, Canberra at a cost of \$2 million to commemorate a century of service of Australian nurses in theatres of war and condemns the Premier and Minister for Women's Affairs for the meagre donation of \$50,000 from the Victorian Government and calls on the Government to further financially assist service nurses who are still trying to raise a further \$1 million before the proposed starting date of February 1999.
- 307. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment and co-operation with industry in promoting sustainable minerals and petroleum development incorporating high standards of health, safety and environmental management.
- 308. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for its plans to slug country Victorians over \$20 million a year, including \$1.4 million from Ballarat, \$1.6 million from Bendigo and \$3.5 million from Geelong, as a new catchment management tax and calls on the Government to drop the tax and pay for catchment improvements out of its current surplus.
- 309. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the continued success of the free City Circle tram which continues to attract millions of passengers every year.
- 310. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Government for letting Crown Casino off \$73 million in payments to Victoria while at the same time slugging country Victorians with a new catchment management tax.
- 311. MR LEAN To move, That this House commends the Government for the establishment of Land Victoria as part of its program to make geospatial land related information more affordable and accessible to Victorians and to achieve a more efficient process of land dealing.
- 312. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Community Services for his obvious incompetence and inability to provide basic information about his Department's activities, by his failure to provide the names, addresses and telephone and fax numbers of pre-schools in the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western metropolitan regions, the Barwon-South West, Gippsland, Grampians, Hume and Loddon Mallee regions which have received funding from the Office of the Family, Children's Services Branch under the Childcare Services for School Age Children Program in the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, and further notes his obvious lack of knowledge when, in answer to Legislative Council Question Nos. 959, 986, 1013, 1040, 1067, 1094, 1121 and 1148, his response was the "information is readily available in the telephone book", and condemns the contempt with which he treats the Pre-school Program.

- 313. MR JENKINS To move, That the Minister for Corrections and the Department of Justice be commended for the development of Aboriginal Community Justice Panels Protocols relating to the health, well-being and cultural issues relevant to offenders in prisons and in the community.
- 314. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not developing a comprehensive industry plan in order to address the high levels of unemployment in areas, such as Gippsland, that are bearing the brunt of regional, global and technological change.
- 315. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government on its \$1 billion maintenance and capital works pledge for education facilities during this current term in office.
- 316. MR DOLLIS To move, That this House condemns the Government for not doing enough to support, encourage and lead Victorian industry in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of the increasingly global market.
- 317. MR LEIGH To move, That the Member for Albert Park provide the House with a full and frank explanation of any knowledge he has of the Pyramid Building Society financial disaster gained as a senior adviser to the then Attorney-General, the Honourable Andrew McCutcheon in the Cain/Kirner Government.
- 318. MR LONEY To move, That this House condemns the Government for pursuing an energy policy that is motivated purely by the selling off of Victoria's assets, without giving any priority to the best interests of the Victorian community, the future security and reliability of supply, or the overall safety of the system.
- 319. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recent information campaign 'Your Street, Your Say', designed to inform the community about its role in the planning process for medium density housing in municipalities across the State.
- 320. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport and the Treasurer, for the mishandling and bungling of the tender process for the privatisation of public transport passenger services in Victoria, particularly given that the process is running late, tender specifications regularly change, bidders are pulling out and there is general uncertainty and confusion.
- 321. MR CLARK To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on increasing the number of new apprenticeships for young Victorians.
- 322. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for taking away the common law rights of seriously injured workers and yet exercises his own common law rights in an endeavour to obtain \$200,000 because he believes his feelings were hurt.
- 323. MR COLEMAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its successful program to reform Victoria's planning process and commend municipal councils for their ongoing endeavours to implement their new planning schemes.

- 324. MR HAMILTON To move, That the Kennett Government (a) be condemned for failing to recognise the importance of Native Title to indigenous peoples in Victoria in their special association with the land; and (b) instead of formally opposing Native Title claims, the Government should provide assistance and advice in the preparation of material necessary for consideration by the Native Title Tribunal.
- 325. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 326. MR THWAITES To move, That this House condemns the Premier for acting as a gun for hire and lobbyist for tobacco companies by seeking to influence the Premier and Government of Western Australia to water down tobacco related health legislation.
- 327. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for its successful privatisation of the three gas retail/distribution companies that has raised \$5.25 billion for taxpayers.
- 328. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House condemns the Government, and in particular the Minister for Transport, for their continuing bungling and mismanagement of the introduction of the automatic ticketing to Melbourne's public transport system; and calls on the Government to refuse to accept the final commissioning of the OneLink system until an independent audit has been completed and made public which clearly addresses all the problems and difficulties reported by the Auditor-General and any issues that have arisen since the Auditor-General's performance audit was carried out.
- 329. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the launch of the Passengers' Charter which contains a range of guarantees for Victorians using the soon to be franchised metropolitan train, tram and rural passenger public transport services.
- 330. MR LONEY To move, That this House calls on the Government to ensure the continuation of a maximum uniform tariff, below which competition may take place but above which no Victorian can be charged, and to ensure that no regional or rural Victorian will be adversely affected by the year 2000 deregulation of domestic, small business and farm energy tariffs.
- 331. MR JASPER To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives in expanding the availability of rural library services, including mobile libraries, and in particular improving access to information technology for the elderly and disabled.
- 332. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for failing to address the outrageous attack on country Victorians through the abandonment of petrol and LPG price controls as, unlike city Victorians, country Victorians do not have a highly subsidised public transport system and must rely on private cars for their daily transport needs.
- 333. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its commitment to enhance the capacity of rural Victoria to manage and identify their opportunities for growth, employment and sustainable development.

- 334. MR HULLS To move, That this House, noting that the Premier has cried poor over his legal costs in relation to a recent defamation proceeding, calls on the Premier to declare in his Member of Parliament Register of Interests, any donations or gifts he receives to help him pay his legal costs.
- 335. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on being the first State to give small business access to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to resolve trader versus trader disputes, thereby ensuring small business access to a cheap, simple commercial dispute resolution process.
- 336. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for deliberately and systematically running down the TAFE system in Victoria by implementing a real budget cut of 7% to all Victorian TAFE institutes for 1999.
- 337. MR ANDRIGHETTO To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police and all members of the Victoria Police for delivering to the State of Victoria the safest mainland state in Australia.
- 338. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Monbulk for neglecting his responsibilities to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately re-open the Olinda Police Station and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 339. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs for the steps taken to improve the status of women in Victoria.
- 340. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for denying country Victorians their fair share of the benefits of state capital spending as shown by the fact that 29 per cent of Victorians live outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area, but only 16 per cent of budget sector capital works is spent outside Melbourne.
- 341. MR STEGGALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government and Minister for Rural Development for the implementation of the Rural Community Development Scheme, funded from the Community Support Fund, as this initiative has delivered over 200 project grants valued in excess of \$6 million dollars to rural towns and communities, adding significantly to the renewal and upgrade of community assets.
- 342. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the Government for the defacto privatisation of the Melbourne Cricket Club Trust, and its decision to withdraw the power of the Trust to veto increases in Australian Football Club (AFL) ticket prices, which will lead to unfair ticket price hikes for AFL footy fans.
- 343. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Government for the failure of the Environment Protection Authority to control the illegal dumping of acid sulphate soils at numerous sites across Melbourne despite being included on their own prescribed waste list as well as national action on acid sulphate soils of which they should have been aware.
- 344. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commends the Government for its commitment to the Maternal and Child Health Service, whose advice and assistance is sought by 94 per cent of new parents.

- 345. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the wisdom of the Court of Appeal's commentary "In the long term the community is better served and protected if a young offender is rehabilitated and led away from a life of crime than if after a short or long jail sentence imposed to satisfy the public for retribution he is taught the ways of the criminal" and condemns the Government for acting contrary to this sound advice.
- 346. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing \$12 million from the Community Support Fund towards co-ordinated and industry supported water safety initiatives such as the Play it Safe by the Water campaign and the Life Saving into the 21st Century program.
- 347. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to develop a comprehensive training and employment package for young people that has led to chronic teenage unemployment levels as high as 50 per cent in some regions of Victoria.
- 348. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to assist the senior citizens of Victoria avoid being ripped off by shonky traders.
- 349. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Member for Bellarine for neglecting his responsibility to his constituents by failing to demand that the Government immediately commit to keeping Drysdale Police Station open and provide adequate police patrols in his electorate at a time when violent crimes such as assaults, robberies and home invasions have reached alarming proportions.
- 350. MR SPRY To move, That the House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Rabbit Buster Initiative* which has achieved an average 30 per cent reduction in rabbit numbers across the State.
- 351. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for his decision to turn the Office of Major Projects into the Office of Melbourne Monuments, and his failure to include any major projects from rural or provincial areas in the Office of Major Projects Agenda 21 program.
- 352. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on providing policy, leadership and legislation to deal with data privacy and other privacy issues.
- 353. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for massively under-performing in the provision of services to our ethnic communities, compared to the best service provider, the Government of New South Wales, and deplores the inadequate level of funding to the Victorian Multicultural Commission of \$750,000 which has not increased since 1992, the deterioration of community languages at Government schools, the cutbacks to the hospital system that impacts even more on non-English speaking communities, and the failure to recruit members to the police force from non-English speaking backgrounds because of cutbacks in the police force.
- 354. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General and the Minister for Youth and Community Services for their failure to consult on the future of juvenile justice facilities, particularly their failure to heed the public advice which is universally critical of the senior youth training centre privatisation proposal by senior judges, Defence for Children International (a United Nations affiliated children's rights group), the Law Institute, the Criminal Bar Association, and non-profit welfare services such as Jesuit Social Services, the Salvation Army, Anglicare, the Uniting Church, chaplains at the Juvenile Justice Centre, as well as community legal services, the

- Aboriginal Awareness project, the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development and Professor Terry Carney, the former Chair of the Child Welfare Review.
- 355. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing policy and legislative leadership on issues in e-commerce and multimedia and issues of the global economy.
- 356. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Conservation and Land Management for her failure to protect Victoria's valuable agriculture sector and natural environment from invasion by weeds by her cuts to staff and funding at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, by her failure to enforce the provisions of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994, or to act upon the recommendations of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Report entitled Weeds in Victoria or even to finalise her own Draft Weeds Strategy put out for consultation six months ago.
- 357. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Education for cancelling teaching welfare services from schools, with regional managers denying schools vital student service dollars and leaving many schools unable to deal effectively with alarmingly high truancy rates particularly among 13, 14 and 15 years olds.
- 358. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its funding of Skills.net, internet access in libraries and general leadership in issues of the next century.
- 359. MR PANDAZOPOLOUS To move, That this House condemns the State Government for allowing Victoria to have the lowest level of participation in organised sport for school aged children, thus meaning Victoria is underperforming all other States, with major health implications in the future, and calls on the Government to benchmark itself with the best performing State, and provide adequate funding to sporting organisations, qualified PE teachers in schools, and take the funding pressure of Local Government as the major provider of sporting facilities.
- 360. MR FINN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Northcote for her abject failure to discharge her most basic duties as a Member of this House by refusing to table a petition signed by thousands of her constituents.
- 361. MR CAMERON To move, That this House demands that the Member for Ripon immediately support the ALP policy of abolishing the anti-country Catchment Management Tax, being a policy proudly backed by the ALP candidate for Ripon, Mr. Joe Helper, and country people.
- 362. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for expanding, through the Futures for Young Adults program, the range of training and educational opportunities for young adults with an intellectual disability.
- 363. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his hypocrisy in advocating for an increase in the level of immigration while funding for ethnic affairs and multiculturalism in Victoria is much lower on a per capita basis than in New South Wales and Queensland, reflecting his style of operation, that is talk big but not enough action.
- 364. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education and the Government on its world-leading multimedia policies in education.

- 365. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition, not in a parliamentary format, was taken up in the Maryborough district by Claire Morrow of Maryborough containing 1500 signatures seeking the abolition of the Liberal-National Party Catchment Management Tax and calls on the Government to stop its anti-country taxation policy.
- 366. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House commend the Government for its ongoing commitment to youth services, particularly those with a preventative and early intervention focus.
- 367. MR LIM To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to provide adequate funding for ethnic specific counselling for pathological gamblers and failing to have any regard to cultural influences on pathological gamblers.
- 368. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That she have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Children and Young Persons Act 1989 to incorporate the prohibition of privatised youth remand, youth residential centres and youth training centres.
- 369. MR FINN To move, That this House believes it is the duty and responsibility of all Members to accept and present properly worded petitions on behalf of constituents and to treat their constituents fairly and with respect in so far as the Member for Northcote has (a) refused to present a legitimate petition on behalf of her constituents; (b) verbally abused a constituent after her refusal was the subject of public comment; and (c) directed that same constituent to present at her electorate office for a taperecorded interview.
- 370. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Treasurer for his attack on the independence of the Victorian Superannuation Board by controlling the appointment of Board Members and by reducing the Board's control over the allocation of superannuation funds and for his decision to contract out the operations of the fifth most successful government superannuation fund in Australia.
- 371. MS BURKE To move, That this House commends the Government for introducing a segmented waiting list to provide those in greatest need with better access to public housing.
- 372. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Finance and the Treasurer for the secret way in which they have developed proposed changes to the Victorian Superannuation Fund including the decision to privatise the Fund without consulting the Fund's 290,000 members, the Board nor relevant unions.
- 373. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House recognises the *Water for Agriculture Initiative* which has been co-ordinated by a committee of community leaders to capture the tremendous opportunities flowing from the potential to increase irrigated agriculture in the Goulburn Valley and North East Victoria and congratulates the Deputy Premier for implementing the initiative.
- 374. **MR CAMERON** To move, That this House demands the Government stop its policy of reducing police in country Victoria and requires a police officer to be immediately stationed at Dunolly to provide the town with a local police presence.
- 375. MRS ELLIOTT To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts, for his bold leadership in the arts and for restoring the State's arts assets.

- 376. MR DIXON To move, That this House commends the Government on putting one of the most extensive information technology programs in place in schools; providing schools with unprecedented access to computers, the Internet, on-line curriculum material and technology training for teachers; and delivering 37,000 laptop computers to Victoria's teachers over five years.
- 377. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Mornington and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Mornington from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 378. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Wimmera and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Wimmera from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 379. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his commitment to increase access to lifelong learning opportunities for our elderly.
- 380. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Gisborne and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Gisborne from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 381. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House commends the Government for granting a winter power bonus of \$60 to all Victorian households and small businesses that will save them \$360 million over the next three years.
- 382. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Kew and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Kew from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 383. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the highly successful sale of V/Line Freight to the Freight Victoria consortium, ensuring the continued reform of rail freight through the introduction of private enterprise and assisting our farmers and industrial producers for whom competitive freight transport is a key issue.
- 384. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Brighton and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Brighton from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.
- 385. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its successful tourism regulatory reform programme, which has resulted in greater streamlining and fewer regulations for small businesses in the tourism sector.
- 386. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House notes the imminent retirement of the Member for Seymour and condemns the Premier for his failure to remove the Member for Seymour from the Ministry in the full knowledge that the Honourable Member will be nothing more than a lame duck minister in the lead up to the next State election.

- 387. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Country Fire Authority for deliveries to the people of Victoria through the recent fire season, a service of which the Government is proud.
- 388. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Government for its moves to privatise Victoria's cemeteries and crematoria and places on record its appreciation to cemetery trustees who work in a voluntary capacity to ensure our cemeteries and crematoria are properly managed and kept in public hands.
- 389. **DR DEAN** To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Minister for Women's Affairs, for the steps taken in relation to encouraging the input of all the women of Victoria to the formulation of their own policy.
- 390. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the partial breakdown by the Coalition Government over the anti-country catchment management tax in the face of pressure from the community and the Labor Party, and demands the Government back down totally by abolishing the tax.
- 391. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for establishing a comprehensive range of parenting services, which are providing valuable advice and support to Victorian families.
- 392. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Resources for his disgraceful behaviour in directing the Glenelg Water Authority to sack Patrick Kempton for making a submission to the Productivity Commission and threatening to remove all the board members if they failed to comply with ministerial direction.
- 393. MR SAVAGE To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for his involvement in having Patrick Kempton sacked by the Glenelg Water Authority for making a submission to the Productivity Commission.
- 394. MR CARLI To move, That this House notes with alarm the number of police vacancies in the Coburg district and demands that the Government stop its policy of slashing police numbers.
- 395. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects including feasibility studies, planning grants, aquatic centres and multi-purpose facilities which has included \$7.5 million from the Community Support Fund for the upgrade of 435 minor sport and recreation facilities across the State.
- 396. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport for now twice refusing to meet with workers in Central Victoria who are to lose their jobs as a result of the Coalition Government policy of privatising V/Line freight, when the Government had expressly promised there would be no rail privatisation.
- 397. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government and the Minister for Rural Development for introducing policy and initiatives that have generated investment, exports and jobs in rural and regional Victoria, including publicly announced investments facilitated by the Government in rural and regional Victoria since October 1992 totalling more than \$2,200 million which have created more than 6,700 jobs and generated more than \$1,100 million in exports which in turn has meant

- that rural and regional Victoria has attracted approximately 35% of all investments facilitated by the Government.
- 398. MS KOSKY To move, That this House expresses its concern at the Federal Government's attempt to outlaw compulsory student services and amenities fees and notes the detrimental effect that such a move would have on the ability of student unions to provide a wide range of essential services.
- 399. MS DAVIES To move, That this House urges the Minister for Youth and Community Services to act with extreme urgency on the need for respite beds for disabled people in South West Gippsland.
- 400. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its ongoing commitment to developing the calendar of high profile events and supplementing this with a diverse range of additional one-off events, such as the 1995 World Police and Fire Games, Bledisloe Cup Tests, the 22 and Under World Basketball Championships, the 1998 World Cup Soccer Qualifier, the 1999 World Yachting Championships, the 2002 Melbourne World Masters Games and the 2006 Commonwealth Games bid; and for ensuring that rural Victoria is a key destination for events such as the International Six Day Motorcycle Enduro held at Traralgon, the Davis Cup tie at Mildura, the World Cup Paragliding at Bright, the Kings Cup Rowing Championship at Nagambie, Aerial Skiing at Mt Buller, the Kangaroo Hoppet Cross Country Ski Carnival at Falls Creek and the Victorian Masters Games at Ballarat.
- 401. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the huge decrease in police numbers in the Avondale Heights area and not only urges the Government to adopt the Opposition's policy of increasing the police numbers in this State by 800 but condemns the Government for reducing police numbers by 1000.
- 402. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the priority and support given to the provision of local community sport and recreation facilities since 1992 by investing more than \$32.2 million in 884 sport and recreation projects.
- 403. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for attempting to defraud the Victorian electorate by promising 400 additional police when at \$20 million per year, he is only providing ongoing funding for 235.
- 404. MR LEAN To move, That the Government be commended for the *Bringing the Bay to Life Initiative* which will help to protect and enhance Port Phillip Bay's wonderful natural assets, provide improved boating and recreational facilities and encourage sensitive development opportunities where appropriate.
- 405. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for her attempt to close down freedom of information in the State.
- 406. MR LEAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its participation in joint venture housing projects with local government and community groups to provide improved housing for older Victorians.
- 407. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Premier for deliberately deceiving the Victorian people in 1992 for promising to increase police numbers by "more than 1000 to 11,000" when he has in fact cut police numbers by more than 800 since 1996, while crime has continued to rise year after year.

- 408. MR TREASURE To move, That this House applauds the Government's timely and thorough response to addressing the social and economic problems caused by extensive flooding in Gippsland and North East Victoria.
- 409. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes the Premier's promise to increase police numbers by a purported 400 police and condemns the Premier for gross deceit and breathtaking egoism given that (a) by the time the first of any of these police would graduate from the Police Academy the number of police will be down to 9380; and (b) the addition of 400 officers will leave police strength at 9780, only 130 more than at the moment, more than 500 less than three years ago and 1280 short of his earlier promise of 11,000.
- 410. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program to reform and streamline Victoria's planning processes and commends municipal councils for their endeavours to implement new planning schemes.
- 411. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House notes that none of the Kennett Government's promises of 400 additional police will be delivered before the forthcoming election and also notes that the Premier has deceived the electorate with such false promises before and accordingly condemns the Kennett Government for gross dishonesty towards the Victorian people.
- 412. MR SPRY To move, That this House commend the Premier and Minister for the Arts for improving access to the arts for all Victorians and for promoting the arts as a key part of the lives of all Victorians.
- 413. MR CAMERON To move, That this House condemns the privatisation-crazed Minister for Transport for causing 400 country workers to lose their jobs on Friday, 30 April 1999 as part of the Government's anti-country privatisation of V/Line Freight.
- 414. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the commitment of \$102 million annually to boost literacy in the crucial first three years of primary school through the Early Years Literacy Program which has created 1000 new classroom teaching jobs, many of which will be filled this year by bright, young graduate teachers.
- 415. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Transport over his specious claim on Tuesday, 4 May 1999 that "Victoria took the lead" on public transport access for the disabled, and notes that the Autumn edition of 'Quadrangle' the official journal of the Australian Quadriplegic Association detailed the Victorian Government's intransigence on this issue, including an original commitment to only 68.79% of trams within 20 years as opposed to the draft standards 100%, and calls on the Minister to apologise to the Parliament, as well as the disabled community, for his willingness to play politics in such a disadvantaged section of the Victorian community.
- 416. MR LUPTON To move, That this House commends the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training on his efforts to increase the competitiveness of our industries through a more flexible and relevant training system.
- 417. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Youth and Community Services for misleading the House on 13 April 1999, when he stated that in Victoria there was no bipartisan approach to juvenile justice, when in fact he as Minister acknowledged in the House on 29 October 1996 the benefit of that bipartisan approach to the State's juvenile justice system and further notes this bipartisanship was

- acknowledged by the Member for Warrnambool on 13 March 1991, the Member for Seymour on 29 October 1992, by the Member for Bendigo East on 22 April 1993 and by the Honourable Rob Knowles, MLC, in another place, on 6 November 1992.
- 418. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House commends the Government for implementing water reforms that have delivered savings of an average 18% to households in metropolitan and country Victoria.
- 419. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That the Government condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his distasteful and sexist tirade against women in Parliament and women in public life for being out of their depth in desiring family friendly parliamentary times.
- 420. MS KOSKY To move, That this House calls on the Premier to publicly discipline the Member for Forest Hill for his misogynistic comments against female parliamentarians in the House on 11 May 1999.
- 421. MRS MADDIGAN To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his insensitive comments made about female parliamentarians on 11 May 1999 in this House and calls on the Premier to publicly distance himself from this Member.
- 422. MS DAVIES To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outlandish and unacceptable remarks criticising those Members of Parliament for combining their work with parenthood.
- 423. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the introduction of more than 200 additional trips per week by the National Bus Company, further improving the public transport options for the people of Melbourne's east.
- 424. MS DELAHUNTY To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his outrageously patronising and misogynistic lecture on 11 May 1999 in this House, attempting to demean women parliamentarians, ridicule women's aspirations in politics and family friendly conditions in Parliament and calls on the Premier to loudly and publicly condemn the Member for his ancient attitudes and re-educate the Members of his Government who hold similar attitudes.
- 425. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the State Government on its comprehensive and responsible liquor law reform which makes Victoria the best state in which the licensed hospitality industry has to operate.
- 426. MR HULLS To move, That this House congratulates the employees and volunteers for their hard and tireless work at Community Legal Centres and condemns the Attorney-General for her failure to rule out the closure of such centres which play an integral role in providing access to justice to disadvantaged Victorians.
- 427. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his patronising, sexist, outdated and offensive statements on 11 May 1999 in this House that if female Members cannot stand the heat in the kitchen they should get out, on the flimsy basis that Members argued for sensible and family friendly sitting hours.
- 428. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the State Emergency Service for the provision of road accident reform in Victoria.

- 429. MS GILLETT To move, That this House condemns the Premier for providing a workplace where working conditions and work practices belong to the 19th century, as do some of the attitudes of Members of the Government like the Member for Forest Hill, and calls on the Premier to adopt the proposals of the Member for Altona for workplace reform.
- 430. MR PERTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on legislation for the protection of citizens privacy in Victoria.
- 431. MRS WILSON To move, That this House condemns the Member for Forest Hill for his sexist remarks and lack of understanding of the position of female Members of this House who seek to balance their parliamentary duties with their family responsibilities.
- 432. MR ELDER To move, That this House congratulates the Government for the steps it has taken to remove unregistered builders from the domestic building industry.
- 433. MS GILLETT To move, That this House applauds the efforts of modern and efficient employers who accept, understand and make provision for the responsibilities of working parents and calls on the Premier to adopt the Member for Altona's proposals.
- 434. **MR LEIGH** To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the success of the *Junior Landcare Initiative* which provides support to increase awareness and participation in land and water management amongst Victoria's rural youth.
- 435. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Transport to immediately (a) install wicket gates at the Sydenham Railway Station with fencing improvement, footpaths and safe access for pedestrians; and (b) separate the car parking from the pedestrians who use the train station and level crossing from the bus stop.
- 436. MR LANGDON To move, That this House (a) condemns the Government for offering no assistance to small business, or support for the general public on the issue of bank closures, in particular to the residents and small businesses of West Heidelberg whose only banking facility is the Commonwealth Bank in the Mall Shopping Centre, Bell Street and which is under threat of closure; and (b) notes the stark contrast to the assistance the Government has given to Bruce Matheson and his company in their attempt to build a large poker machine venue at the old Coloseum Hotel in West Heidelberg.
- 437. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiatives to support economic development for Aboriginal people and recognises the contribution the development of new enterprises will make to employment in Aboriginal communities and the overall Victorian economy.
- 438. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Roads and Ports to take immediate action in developing the Keilor/Melton Highway and the level crossing at Sydenham for the safety of the community that is using the Keilor/Melton Highway and the communities of Taylors Lakes and Sydenham and surrounding districts to prevent any further fatality occurring in that locality.
- 439. MR PLOWMAN (Benambra) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its vision and commitment to long term sustainability and profitability following the release of a Five Year Plan for the Grains Industry.

- 440. **MR SEITZ** To move, That this House calls on the Minister for Transport to take immediate action to (a) underground the railway line from the Furlong Road level crossing to past the Sydenham level crossing for the safety of the people in the area who are using the railway line; and (b) provide adequate access for car parking and pedestrian traffic in a safe environment.
- 441. MR PLOWMAN (*Benambra*) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for providing over \$700,000 to councils to enable them to conduct heritage studies in their municipalities so that Victoria's heritage buildings may be protected for future generations.
- 442. MR LANGDON To move, That this House condemns the Government for not providing adequate funds for the reconstruction of Lower Plenty Road and to modify the pedestrian overpass on Lower Plenty Road opposite St Martins Church to ensure pedestrian access for the frail, the elderly and the disabled
- 443. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its work in constructing the Boronia rail crossing project, thus eliminating one of Melbourne's worst traffic spots.
- 444. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to take immediate action to underground the railway line at St Albans - Furlong Road, Taylors Road and Sydenham for the safety of the people in the region and for the survival of the St Albans shopping village.
- 445. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government on its commitment to the professional development of teachers and to improving the status of the teaching profession; including the 8% pay increase offer that will ensure Victorian teachers, principals and support staff will be the highest paid in Australia and will enable them to salary package private superannuation, vehicle leasing and health insurance.
- 446. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Government and the Minister for Planning and Local Government for failing to rule out any compulsory acquisition of Spring Gully Reserve which will allow the old Niddrie Quarry site to be turned into a toxic dump.
- 447. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, that this House congratulates the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his continued efforts in attracting more full fee paying international students to Victoria.
- 448. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately provide support for the growth corridor of Taylors Lakes and Sydenham including adequate funding for roads, public transport, schools, youth and aged care services, recreation, sporting facilities and community services.
- 449. MR SPRY To move, that this House commends the government for lowering State debt from \$32 billion to \$6 billion, reducing per capita state debt from \$7000 per person to \$2500 per person.

- 450. **MR LANGDON** To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to (a) honour its 1996 election promise to build the district police head quarters at the old Coloseum Hotel site at the corner of Oriel Road and Bell Street, Heidelberg West; (b) provide funding to ensure the Police Stations in Heidelberg West and Heidelberg are adequately staffed; and (c) guarantee the future of the Heidelberg West Police Station.
- 451. MR ASHLEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on mandating the \$9 million extension of the No. 109 tram route from Mont Albert to Box Hill as part of the Government public transport franchising program.
- 452. MR SEITZ To move, That this House condemns the Government for its mismanagement of the environment in the Western Suburbs by allowing contaminated soils to be dumped in the region from the City Link and the Docklands projects.
- 453. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Attorney-General for the way she has handled her portfolios but wishes her well in her retirement.
- 454. **MR FINN** To move, that this House congratulates the Australian Grand Prix Corporation on (a) the 1998 Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix at Phillip Island being voted the Best Motorcycle Grand Prix in the world in 1998 by the international road racing teams; and (b) the Qantas Australian Formula One Grand Prix being named the Best Grand Prix in the FIA Formula One World Championships two years running.
- 455. MR THWAITES To move, That this House congratulates the retiring Member for Brighton on his opposition to inappropriate planning policies of this Government in Brighton and calls on the Minister for Planning and Local Government to take notice of this opposition.
- 456. MR TRAYNOR To move, That this House congratulates the Chief Commissioner of Police for his leadership role in policing and implementation of innovative drugs policy.
- 457. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately put plans into action to provide for a linear park along the whole of the Kororoit Creek before it is too late to save this natural waterway in the Western suburbs.
- 458. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Attorney-General for significantly improving the rights of Victorians by establishing the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.
- 459. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes the broken promises of the Coalition Party to fund library works in Castlemaine and notes that the Community Support Fund is being used as a Melbourne slush fund and calls for the Castlemaine library project to be funded, as promised.
- 460. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on (a) its recognition of the value of the racing industry to the Victorian economy, its contribution to the tourism and entertainment sectors and its recreational importance to thousands of Victorians; and (b) its role in making Victorian racing more competitive and the envy of all other States and Territories of Australia by encouraging the industry to accept and introduce a range of reforms as well as legislating to (i) allow telephone betting by bookmakers; (ii) free up sports betting restrictions; (iii) provide for the establishment of a sports betting auditorium; and (iv) privatise the Totalizator Agency Board.

- 461. MR SEITZ To move, That this House calls on the Government to immediately make appropriate funds available to safeguard and upgrade the Taylors Creek and its contributories to provide a natural environment of this waterway through Taylors Lakes.
- 462. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its commitment to reducing litter entering our waterways.
- 463. **MR HAERMEYER** To move, That this House (a) condemns the Government for its failure to provide funds to realign Arthur's Creek Road at Hurstbridge and provide for a new bridge upstream of the existing Monash Bridge; and (b) notes that this road and the existing bridge constitute a major black spot which places at risk the lives and safety of all users of that road.
- 464. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the implementation of the Koori Services Improvement Strategy which, in partnership with Victoria's Aboriginal community, is contributing to the health and social well-being of Victoria's Aboriginal people.
- 465. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for his appalling mishandling of his portfolio and looks forward to his imminent retirement.
- 466. MR KILGOUR To move, that this House commends the Government on the progress to date in meeting its objective to sewer rural and regional townships and implement water quality infrastructure which meet World Health Organisation standards.
- 467. MR HAERMEYER To move, That this House condemns the Government for failing to address the needs of people in the north of Nillumbik Shire with adequate ambulance services and acceptable response times.
- 468. MR ASHELEY To move, That this House commends the Government on the launch of the Self-Governing Schools Initiative providing Victorian schools with the opportunity to build on and further develop the current Schools of the Future model and strengthen the government school system by encouraging greater diversity and expanding links between schools and the community.
- 469. MR HAERMEYER To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998 to correct a loophole relating to the limit on the proportion of packaged liquor licenses that can be held by any person, body corporate or related entities, and for other purposes.
- 470. MS KOSKY To move, That the Sessional Orders be amended as follows (1) Paragraph 1 be omitted and the following paragraph inserted in place thereof: "1. Unless otherwise ordered, the House shall meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday on the following basis: (i) Mr Speaker to take the Chair at 2.00 p.m. on a Tuesday and at 9.30 am on a Wednesday and Thursday; (ii) The House shall not suspend business for the purposes of a lunch break on any day; (iii) Any division called for in the House between 1.00 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. on any day shall stand deferred until after the conclusion of Oral Questions that day; and (iv) The House shall rise at 8.15 p.m. each day."; and (2) Paragraph 5(1) be amended by omitting "10.00 p.m." where twice occurring and inserting "7.30 p.m.".

- 471. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for promoting a culture of secrecy across Government and encouraging the view, now prevalent among senior bureaucrats, that financial arrangements with the private sector should be shielded from Parliamentary and taxpayer gaze as observed by the Auditor-General in the May 1999 report on the Ministerial Portfolios.
- 472. MR THWAITES To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General, Mr Baragwanath, for his great to service to the Parliament and people of Victoria and in particular the revelations contained in his Special Report No. 49 into Contractual and Outsourcing Practises in the Ambulance Service which revealed that contractual arrangements at the Ambulance Service had been carried out in a manner which at best involved serious mismanagement or at worst involved corrupt activity.
- 473. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for his support and commitment to the provision of higher education opportunities across regional Victoria.
- 474. MR BATCHELOR To move, That this House (a) congratulates the Auditor-General, Mr Ches Baragwanath, for (i) his May 1999 Report on Ministerial Portfolios, which follows his thorough and detailed exposé on this bungled privatisation of the Public Transport Corporation's revenue stream and ticketing system which was presented to Parliament in his Special Report No. 59 in November 1998; and (ii) in particular, his continuing diligence in exposing the disastrous impact that the OneLink Automatic Ticketing System is having on Melbourne's Public Transport System; and (b) notes that this ongoing waste and maladministration would have been kept secret by the Kennett Government had it not been the fine work of the Auditor-General.
- 475. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government for lowering unemployment to the lowest level of unemployment in Victoria since 1990.
- 476. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to properly monitor the development of the Melbourne Museum complex and allowing the cost of the project to blow-out by \$37.6 million as exposed in the May 1999 Report of the Auditor-General on Ministerial Portfolios.
- 477. MR FINN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on mandating the \$27 million extension of the metropolitan electrified train system from St Albans to Sydneham as part of the Government Public Transport Franchising Program.
- 478. MR HULLS To move, That this House (a) notes the frustration of the Auditor-General in relation to his attempt to stop the rorting of the use of corporate credit cards and also notes that the Attorney-General has been supplied with legal advice confirming that certain credit cards usage by Ministers and bureaucrats could amount to criminal conduct; and (b) condemns the Attorney-General as Chief Law Officer of this state for failing to take any action to address the legitimate concern of the Auditor-General thereby implicity consenting to the continual misuse of credit cards and taxpayer funds.
- 479. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its focus on regional tourism development and spreading the benefits of tourism to regional Victoria.
- 480. MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House recognises the Auditor-General's comprehensive Special Report No. 43 "Protecting Victoria's children. The role of the Department of Human Services" and records its appreciation to the Auditor-General

- Mr Ches Baragwanath for alerting the Parliament to many significant weaknesses in key elements of the Department's protective services, which have adversely impacted on its ability to effectively address the protective concerns of children.
- 481. MR RYAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government, and in particular the Attorney-General, for improving the status of victims in the justice system.
- 482. MS GARBUTT To move, That this House (a) congratulates the Auditor-General for his outstanding service to this Parliament including his findings in his latest Report on Ministerial Portfolios which exposes more Government mismanagement and bungling, revealing that (i) the Kennett Government spent \$7 million on consultancies, \$6 million of which was let without a public tender process, to assist in selling the Victorian Plantations Corporation at a fire sale price and losing a \$33 million per annum income stream and (ii) that around 40% of country Victorians were still in receipt of drinking water which did not meet the microbiological requirements of established guidelines; and (b) condemns the Government for slashing the Auditor-General's powers to continue to uncover such mismanagement in the future.
- 483. MR KILGOUR To move, That this House congratulates the Government for (a) the support and assistance it has given the Victorian Institute of Sport to enable it to (i) provide world class services and training opportunities to its athletes, and, (ii) to set international standards and gain recognition for the provision of these services which has resulted in spectacular performances by the athletes selected in Australian teams; and (b) the assistance given to develop talented rural athletes through the Victalent program.
- 484. MR BRACKS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for failing to take action to stop the continual spending of taxpayers' money on advertising that is party political in nature as identified by the Auditor-General in the Special Report No. 39, March 1996.
- 485. MR PATERSON To move, That this House commends the Government on the development and implementation of the Lorne Coastal Action Plan which is delivering real improvements to the visitors of Lorne.
- 486. **MS DELAHUNTY** To move, That this House congratulate the Auditor-General Mr Ches Baragwanath for (a) his fearless auditing and investigation of the Government in this State, particularly in education; (b) his courageous exposure of inconsistencies and documentation of school closures and the school maintenance backlog; (c) in his final report, confirming gross inequality of funding for computers in schools, lack of information technology training for teachers and dubious contracting of consultants; and (d) his courage in representing in the public interest the nobbling of his office by a vengeful Government bent on doing business behind a shroud of secrecy.
- 487. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its program for the redevelopment of regional and rural housing estates.
- 488. MR PANDAZOPOULOS To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General and notes (a) previous Auditor-General's Reports that highlighted the inequity of providing 93% of all sports funding from the Community Support Fund (CSF) to one big project, the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, again highlighting the Government's preference on the inner-city, whilst overlooking the needs of grass-roots sporting clubs in country Victoria and suburban Melbourne, and only providing an average grant of \$32,000 to each municipality for sport and recreation upgrades; (b) the

Auditor-General's revealing of the allocation of \$1.5 million from allocated tourism funds in the CSF to the 'One Australia' America's Cup Syndicate whose taxpayer funded yacht sank off the West Coast of America; (c) the Auditor-General's revealing of a controversial loan of \$1.01 million from CSF tourism funding to a joint venture comprising Grollo Australia and St Martins Victoria Pty Ltd for the development of the Sky Show Down Under Project at the Rialto Theatrette that will not be repaid until the year 2010, 15 years after the initial decision, whilst ignoring many other worthy tourism projects in Victoria; and (d) the crucial role of the Auditor-General in highlighting to Parliament the questionable way these projects were funded and accordingly condemns the Government for its decision to nobble the Auditor-General, and threaten this independent office that analyses the State Government's performance and credibility.

- 489. MR JENKINS To move, That this House commends the Government on the success of the Victorian Youth Development Program which is one of the most successful youth initiatives in Australia involving over 3,000 students from 106 schools.
- 490. MR LONEY To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General for his report of May 1999, and calls on the Minister for Agriculture and Resources to respond immediately to the issues raised in that report regarding his department's poor performance in ensuring the rehabilitation and making safe of old mining sites.
- 491. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House commends the Government for reducing state taxes and charges by more than \$2.5 billion annually since the election of the Coalition Government in 1992.
- 492. MR THWAITES To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General, Mr Baragwanath for his great to service to the Parliament and people of Victoria and in particular the revelations contained in his Special Report No. 56 into Hospital Services under Casemix which revealed that two thirds of the senior doctors, charge nurses and senior allied health professionals maintained that the overall effect of the Government's reforms in health has been a deterioration in the quality of care.
- 493. MRS SHARDEY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on continuing to lead the way in providing accessible transport through the release of the Action Plan thus ensuring that a majority of Victoria's public transport services will be 100% accessible to everyone within 20 years.
- 494. MS KOSKY To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General for his preparedness to give advice to Government and the people of Victoria without fear or favour and for exposing the failure of the CASMAC project to deliver an Information Technology system to universities which has cost the Victorian taxpayer in excess of \$4.3 million.
- 495. MS McCALL To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its Major Events strategy, which returns to the State an estimated \$650 million per year.
- 496. MR HAMILTON To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for (a) failing to strengthen its non-metropolitan urban water authority monitoring function to ensure that all authorities meet the statutory reporting obligations in relation to the performance information causing (i) an artificially low rate of return on assets; (ii) an average industry cost increase of 26% and likely further increases; and (b) failing to monitor the performance of these non-metropolitan water authorities which has an average of nearly 20% unaccounted water as detailed in the Auditor-General's Report on Ministerial Portfolios, May 1999.

- 497. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Attorney-General for ensuring that crime does not pay by introducing the Confiscation Act and establishing the Asset Confiscation Office.
- 498. MR HULLS To move, That this House condemns the Premier for his failure to take notice of the pleas of the Auditor-General to stop the continued rorting by Ministers and bureaucrats of the public purse via misuse of taxpayer funded credit cards and calls on the Premier to come to his senses and stop this Bjelke Petersen style abuse of taxpayers' money and apologise to Victorians for allowing corporate credit card holders to use the public purse as their own private piggy bank.
- 499. MR MAUGHAN To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the initiation and signing of the historic Murray Mallee Partnership Memorandum of Understanding between the Victorian, New South Wales, South Australian and Commonwealth Governments.
- 500. MR MILDENHALL To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General for exposing the total mismanagement of the Melbourne Museum project which includes that (a) the project was scheduled for completion last month but will not open until some time in the next millennium; (b) the budget has blown out by \$37 million and, in addition, has consumed all \$19 million of an unallocated Minister's discretionary fund and has effectively wasted the \$20 million spent by the previous government on the Southbank site; and (c) the Museum of Victoria has refused to supply the Auditor-General with financial details of the IMAX theatre component of the project thus continuing the "secret state" approach of this government to the principle of transparency of government financial transactions.
- 501. MR PATERSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its success at ensuring that every Victorian child has the opportunity of attending a year of preschool before they attend primary school.
- 502. MR LONEY To move, That this House congratulates the Auditor-General for his May 1999
 Report which exposes the extraordinarily bad deal for Victorian taxpayers negotiated by the Treasurer for the sale of the Government's share in the Aluvic which resulted in an \$8 million loss and a continuing liability of \$240 million.
- 503. MR WELLS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on mandating the introduction of 90 low floor trams ensuring continued improvements in access to public transport services for all Victorians, and in particular, those with a mobility impairment.
- MRS CAMPBELL To move, That this House records its appreciation to the Auditor-General and his staff in the Victorian Auditor-General's office for the thorough advice provided to the Parliament in Special Report No. 55 "Child Care and Kindergarten: Caring about quality" and particularly notes that (a) enrolment numbers provided by services used by the Department as a basis of calculating participation rates are not verified by the Department and that data provided by services during the audit suggested that some enrolments may be overstated; (b) in 1994 when the Department changed to per capita funding model for preschools, there was a reduction in the amount of funds provided from around \$1,020 to \$840 per place and that a large proportion of the costs have now been shifted to parents; and (c) around 31% of stand alone kindergartens visited during the audit commented on the difficulties in attracting committee members, given the heavy workload involved.

- 505. MR LUPTON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its revitalisation of the state's tourism industry as seen in Victoria's domination of the 1998 National Tourism Awards.
- 506. MR DIXON To move, That this House congratulates the Government for its awardwinning 'You'll love every piece of Victoria' marketing campaign, now in its fourth phase.
- 507. **MR HAMILTON** To move, That this House condemns the Kennett Government for (a) the lack of proper process used in the sale of the Victorian Plantations Corporation (VPC) as detailed in the Auditor-General's Report of May 1999; and (b) the failure to take account during of the sale of VPC of any benefits that the State could share from the future introduction of a carbon credit trading system.
- 508. MR JENKINS To move, That this House congratulates the Government on the \$3 million upgrade of the Melton weir bridge resulting in reduced journey times for passenger train services travelling between Ballarat and Melbourne.
- 509. MR HULLS To move, That this House notes the Auditor-General's concerns in relation to the lack of Legal Aid funding in Victoria and calls on the Attorney-General to heed the Auditor-General's call for a full inquiry into Legal Aid in this State.
- 510. MR SPRY To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its recognition of the value of the racing industry to (a) the Victorian economy; (b) its contribution to the tourism and entertainment sectors; (c) its recreational importance to thousands of Victorians; and (d) on its role in making Victorian racing more competitive and the envy of all other States and Territories of Australia by encouraging the industry to accept and introduce a range of reforms as well as legislating to (i) allow telephone betting by bookmakers; (ii) free up sports betting restrictions; (iii) provide for the establishment of a sports betting auditorium; and (iv) privatising the Totalizator Agency Board.
- 511. MR SMITH (Glen Waverley) To move, that this House congratulates the Government on the upgrading of the country water supply to 100% compliance to World Health Standards by December this year.
- 512. MR THOMPSON To move, That this House congratulates the Government on its contribution to beach refurbishment and coastline protection on Port Phillip Bay and, in addition, water quality improvement within Port Phillip Bay.
- 513. MS KOSKY To move, That this House condemns the Minister for Tertiary Education and Training for failing to table the annual reports from all Victorian Universities due in this session of Parliament.
- 514. MR CAMERON To move, That this House notes that a petition has been taken up in the Bealita district objecting to the closure of the pre-existing wood supply in Tunstall's Forest, and accordingly calls on the Minister for Land Management to account for her actions in denying local residents access to the wood when it had been clearly understood that the wood would be available for local domestic use.
- 515. MR McARTHUR To move, That this House congratulates the Minister for Education for his outstanding work restoring the fabric of the education system and refurbishing schools across Victoria.

- 516. MR THWAITES To move, That I have leave to bring in a Bill to require that a building surveyor must not issue a building permit unless he or she is satisfied that it will be consistent with the requirements and conditions of any relevant planning permit, to amend the Building Act 1993 and for other purposes.
- 517. MR THWAITES To move, That I have leave to bring in a Bill to eliminate discrimination against gay men and lesbians living in de facto relationships following recommendations of the Equal Opportunity Commission, and to amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1995, Accident Compensation Act 1985, Children and Young Persons Act 1989, Coroners Act 1985, Crimes Act 1958, Crimes (Family Violence) Act 1987, Emergency Services Superannuation Act 1986, Human Tissue Act 1982, Land Tax Act 1958, Parliamentary Salaries and Superannuation Act 1968, Police Regulation Act 1958, Property Law Act 1958, Public Sector Superannuation (Administration) Act 1993, Stamps Act 1958, State Employees Retirement Benefits Act 1979, State Superannuation Act 1988, Superannuation (Portability) Act 1989, Transport Accident Act 1986, Transport Superannuation Act 1958 and Wills Act 1997 and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. **PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (19 February 1998) Praying that the public hospital system remain in public hands in order to serve the best interests of the Australian community To be considered (Mr Savage).
- PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (25 February 1998) - Praying that the School Nursing Program be retained in all Primary Schools in Victoria - To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 3. AUDIT/ACCIDENT COMPENSATION ACTS Resumption of debate on the question That this House calls on the Kennett Government to immediately introduce legislation to repeal the provisions put in place by the Audit Act (Amendment) Act 1997 and the Accident Compensation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act 1997 as a result of the people of Mitcham voting overwhelmingly against the Government's attacks on the independence of the Auditor–General and the legal rights of injured workers as evidenced by the massive 15.8% swing against the Kennett Government in the Mitcham by– election and the Premier's claims that he will be less arrogant and more consultative and listen to views of ordinary Victorians (Mr Carli).
- BONE MARROW DONOR REGISTRY Petition presented by the Member for Narracan
 (25 March 1998) Praying that the Government reverse the decision to cut funding and
 staffing levels to the Bone Marrow Donor Registry To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 5. **SCHOOL EDUCATION SYSTEM** *Resumption of debate on the question* That this House commends the Government and the Minister for Education for revitalising and transforming the school education system, which, having been left neglected and in tatters by the previous Labor Government, is now equipped to deliver students a quality education in a superior learning environment, as a result of numerous reforms and improvements (*Mr Elder*).
- 6. STATE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS Resumption of debate on the question That this House, noting that various former Queensland Ministers went to jail for using the public purse for their own private purposes, demands that the Premier and

- former and current members of his staff give a full explanation as to why they have used State Government Corporate Credit cards for private purposes in breach of Government guidelines and in possible breach of the Federal and State Acts (Mr Hulls).
- 7. **SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (22 April 1998) Praying that the Government guarantees the retention of, at least, existing funding for the school nursing program To be considered (*Mrs Campbell*).
- 8. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland South (28 April 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Ryan).
- 9. METROPOLITAN AMBULANCE SERVICE Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for allowing mismanagement and corruption to occur in the Metropolitan Ambulance Service and in particular (a) the mismanagement, negligence and breach of Ministerial duty by the former Minister for Health in relation to the awarding of ambulance contracts by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service; (b) attempting to cover– up the mismanagement or corruption in the ambulance service; (c) failing to give any proper explanation about the Ministerial Briefing Note dated 19 February 1996 which warned the former Minister for Health about improper practice in the ambulance service; and (d) allowing ministerial staff, and in particular the former Minister for Health's Chief of Staff, Mr John Kerr, to act improperly in relation to documents concerning the ambulance service contracts (Mr Haermeyer).
- 10. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (30 April 1998) – Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means – To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 11. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (1 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 12. **HELIMED 1 AIR AMBULANCE** Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (12 May 1998) Praying that (a) the House give full support to the long term retention, with long term funding, to the services of Helimed 1 (Air Ambulance) to the Gippsland and Latrobe Valley areas; and (b) the Helimed 1 service continue to be based in the Latrobe Valley To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 13. RURAL VICTORIA 2001 PROGRAM MINISTERIAL VISITS Resumption of debate on the question That the House congratulates the Government on its continued willingness to consult widely across rural and regional Victoria through a program of Ministerial visits under the Rural Victoria 2001 program.
- 14. **WEDDERBURN SEWERAGE** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (2 September 1998) Praying that no sewerage system be installed in the town of Wedderburn To be considered (Mr Cameron).

- 15. SYSTEMATIC CORRUPTION IN QUEENSLAND Resumption of debate on the question That this House notes the Fitzgerald report into corruption in Queensland and condemns the Government for not learning any lessons from the systematic corruption that flowed as a result of the anti– democratic regime of Bjelke– Peterson and demands that action be taken to stop such corruption becoming entrenched in Victoria (Mr Leigh).
- 16. NOISE ATTENUATION BARRIERS WESTGATE FREEWAY Petition presented by the Member for Altona (3 September 1998) Praying that the Government makes a commitment to ensure the construction of adequate noise attenuation barriers along residential sections of the Westgate Freeway equivalent to the standards established along the South Eastern and Eastern Freeways To be considered (Ms Kosky).
- 17. SPECIAL CHARGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (3 September 1998) Praying that the Special Charge Scheme by the Bass Coast Council, Wonthaggi be repealed from the Local Government Act To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 18. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HEIDELBERG Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (3 September 1998) Praying that the previous commitments made by the Government to install a pedestrian crossing in Lower Heidelberg Road, Heidelberg between Banksia Street and the cutting be honoured and that the crossing be installed To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 19. COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE DEER PARK Petition presented by the Member for Melton (3 September 1998) Praying that (a) changes to the Community Health Service in Station Road, Deer Park by the Board and Management of ISIS should not be implemented without full consultation with the community and staff; and (b) the community's consent be required for any changes given that the Deer Park community built the service To be considered (Mr Cunningham).
- 20. COMBATING CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government immediately enact key recommendations Nos. 6, 17, 18, 26, 30, 35, 44, 45, 68, 69, 73, 82, 89, 90, 105, 110, 111, 115, 121, 129 and 130 from the 1995 Parliamentary Report on "Combating Child Sexual Assault To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 21. PRE-SCHOOL SUPPORT Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (6 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 22. VICTORIAN EDUCATION SYSTEM Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for closing over 360 schools and removing over 9000 teachers from the Victorian Education System, resulting in larger class sizes, less individual attention for struggling students, longer travelling times for young students, and greater numbers of students dropping out of school before they reach year 12 (Mr Mildenhall).
- 23. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (8 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered. (Ms Davies).

- 24. LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (8 October 1998) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 25. **STEEL-JAWED TRAPS** Petition presented by the Member for Coburg (21 October 1998) Praying that the Government enact legislation to totally ban the manufacture, sale and use of the steel-jawed traps in all areas of the State To be considered (*Mr Carli*).
- 26. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 October 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 27. **KINDERGARTEN SUPPORT** Petition presented by the Leader of the Opposition (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens so as to (a) lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees; (b) cover wages of staff employed in kindergartens; and (c) provide more support for the increasing amount of administration work To be considered (Mr Brumby).
- 28. PRIVATISATION OF AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION HOSPITAL Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Hospital and act to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 29. **ROSANNA RAIL CORRIDOR** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government make safety through the Rosanna Rail Corridor a priority and install lockable gates within approximately 200 metres of Rosanna Station whilst trains are passing to ensure that people no longer walk across the tracks in front of passing trains To be considered (*Mr Langdon*).
- 30. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (27 October 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies)
- 31. **RETICULATED SEWERAGE SCHEME SHIRE OF LODDON -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (27 October 1998) Praying that the reticulated sewerage scheme imposed by Coliban Water in the Shire of Loddon be overturned on economic hardship grounds To be considered (Ms Garbutt)
- 32. **MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (28 October 1998) Praying that the current Mildura Base Hospital be appropriately refurbished and resourced solely by the Government and that plans for privatisation be abandoned immediately To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 33. VICTORIA'S SPORT AND RECREATION INDUSTRY Resumption of debate on the question - That this House congratulates the Government on its examination of the dimensions and economic value of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria as

detailed in "The Business of Sport" publication; recognising the economic and social importance of the sport and recreation industry to the community and the State, the involvement of volunteers, local sporting clubs, state associations, regional sports assemblies, associated businesses such as fitness and leisure centres, sports clothing and goods manufacturers, events etc.; establishment of the Sport and Recreation Industry Awards to recognise and reward achievements by organisations and individuals involved in or contributing to the sport, fitness, racing, outdoor and community recreation in Victoria through research, export, management, safety or other initiatives (Mr Pandazopoulos).

- 34. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (29 October 1998) - Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper preschool education for all Victorian children - To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 35. **BENDIGO CASINO** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (10 November 1998) Praying that a casino will not be established in Bendigo To be considered (Mr Cameron).
- 36. ST JOSEPH'S PRESBYTERY, WARRAGUL Petition presented by the Member for Narracan (10 November 1998) - Praying that St. Joseph's Presbytery, 3 Witton Street Warragul, referred to as 4 Connor Street Warragul, be free from all Planned Heritage Schemes and Overlays - To be considered (Mr Andrighetto).
- 37. **VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (11 November 1998) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 38. CRIMES STATISTICS Resumption of debate on the question That the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and the Chief Commissioner of Police be commended for continuing to maintain Victoria as the safest state or territory in Australia, following the 1997 National Crime Statistics which show that Victoria's crime rate is 19% below the national average (Mr Smith, Glen Waverley).
- 39. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) - Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means - To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 40. MINYIP SEWERAGE SCHEME Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (12 November 1998) - Praying that the proposed Minyip Sewerage Scheme, as outlined by Grampians Water, not be allowed in the Wimmera Township of Minyip - To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 41. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Ms Davies).

- 42. **PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION** Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to kindergartens/pre-schools in order to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 43. NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (12 November 1998) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 44. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bendigo West (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (*Mr Cameron*).
- 45. PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (23 March 1999) Praying that the Government accepts responsibility for providing more support to pre-schools so as to lessen the enormous strain currently on volunteer committees to fundraise for basic necessities, which are required to provide a proper pre-school education for all Victorian children To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 46. PLANNING DECISIONS Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Minister for Planning and Local Government for (a) allowing the misuse of "Commercial in Confidence" clauses to hide shady deals on major projects from the Victorian public; and (b) flagrantly ignoring the rights of ordinary Victorians by overriding the planning decisions of democratically elected local councils and calling-in planning appeals from the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Mr Dollis).
- 47. **CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (25 March 1999) Praying that the Government reverse its decision to allow the Catchment Management Authorities to levy taxes from the people of Victoria To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 48. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of spear thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 49. WEST GIPPSLAND CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 March 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources withdraws the imposed levy of \$25 demanded by the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority and makes funding for the Authority available by other means To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 50. **NATIONAL PARK STRZELECKI STATE FOREST -** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (25 *March* 1999) Praying that the Government implement the establishment of a 30,000 hectare National Park in the Strzelecki State Forest, as outlined in the proposal produced by Devenish, Constable and Standering To be considered (*Ms Davies*).

- 51. LANG LANG POLICE STATION Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (14 April 1999) Praying that the Government recognises the important role that the police station plays in community life in Lang Lang and withdraws the plans to close the station To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 52. **LATE TERM PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTIONS** Petition presented by the Member for Mildura (15 April 1999) Praying that Section 10 of the Crimes Act be amended to disallow the practice of late term partial birth abortions in Victoria To be considered (Mr Savage).
- 53. VICTORIAN CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA Petition presented by the Member for Pascoe Vale (20 April 1999) Praying that all existing and future Victorian cemeteries and crematoria will be publicly owned and remain under the control of the Victorian Government To be considered (Mrs Campbell).
- 54. PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE Resumption of debate on the question That this House congratulates the Government on reducing the public housing maintenance backlog inherited on coming to office in 1992 (Mrs Henderson).
- 55. INTENSIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION SERVICE FACILITY, SOUTH MORANG Petition presented by the Member for Mill Park (22 April 1999) Praying that the House vote in support of the immediate cessation of all work on the proposed construction of the Intensive Behaviour Intervention Service facility on the site of the old South Morang Primary School, 875 Old Plenty Road, South Morang and that full and open consultation will take place with the local community regarding its operations and location To be considered (Mr Andrianopoulos).
- 56. **CONTROL OF SPEAR THISTLE** Petition presented by the Member for Gippsland West (22 April 1999) Praying that the Minister for Agriculture and Resources makes the control of Spear Thistle over large areas in the Lang Lang/Caldermeade district a Government priority To be considered (Ms Davies).
- 57. **CAPITAL PUNISHMENT REFERENDUM** Petition presented by the Member for Frankston East (22 April 1999) Praying that the Government will allow a referendum on Capital Punishment and legislate according to the wishes of the majority To be considered (Mr McLellan, Frankston East).
- 58. RACIAL DISCRIMINATION Petition presented by the Member for Morwell (4 May 1999) Praying that the Government immediately launches an investigation in relation to occurrences of racial abuse and vilification generally, particularly in respect of Captain Frank and Elisabeth Staberhofer of Captain's Lodge International Motel, Sale To be considered (Mr Hamilton).
- 59. **SOCIAL POLICIES** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for treating ordinary Victorians as customers rather than citizens and calls the Government to introduce more socially compassionate policies in relation to gaming, public housing, aged care, health and education (Mr Lean).
- 60. **PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that there be no further cuts to government education and that adequate resources be provided to ensure a properly resourced, high quality system of public education To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).

- 61. **SCHOOL BUS SERVICES** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government provides appropriate space on buses, whether contract services or regular public bus services so that children of non-Government and Government schools may be able to get to school safely and on time with no risk that children will be left on the side of the road To be considered (*Mr Haermeyer*).
- 62. McDONALD'S FRANCHISE IN DIAMOND CREEK Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that planning approval not be given to a McDonald's franchise in Chute Street, Diamond Creek if it is going to cause traffic chaos and pose a danger to the local primary school children To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 63. **DRYSDALE POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to force the closure of the Drysdale Police Station To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 64. **MOUNT EVELYN POLICE STATION** Petition presented by the Member for Yan Yean (11 May 1999) Praying that the Government reverses its decision to close the Mount Evelyn Police Station and increase active police presence in the area To be considered (Mr Haermeyer).
- 65. **BLACKBURN HIGH SCHOOL COUNCIL** Petition presented by the Member for Mitcham (12 May 1999) Praying that the Ministry of Education rejects Blackburn High School Council's application to become a self-governing school and therefore allows for appropriate consultation with the community To be considered (Mr Robinson).
- 66. **REDUCTION IN PUBLIC SECTOR DEBT** Resumption of debate on the question That this House commends the Government for the massive reduction in public sector debt that its sound financial practices have brought about (Mr Clark).
- 67. **AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE FUNDING -** Petition presented by the Member for Bundoora (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government acts on the request for more funding for the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and reconsiders its decision to privatise it To be considered (Ms Garbutt).
- 68. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE COMMUNITY USAGE Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government (a) reconsiders its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre; (b) protects the Red Cross Centre, bowling green, and memorial gardens from any future works; and (c) ensures that the original Austin Hospital site is retained for community usage and not sold To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 69. AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE OVERDEVELOPMENT Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government (a) reconsiders its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre; (b) protects the Red Cross Centre, bowling green, and memorial gardens from any future works; and (c) introduces measures to protect the local area from any ill effects of the massive overdevelopment of the Repatriation site To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 70. **AUSTIN AND REPATRIATION MEDICAL CENTRE ACCESS -** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (14 May 1999) Praying that the Government reconsider its decision to privatise the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and acts to ensure that access to the hospital continues to be on the basis of health and not wealth To be considered (Mr Langdon).

- 71. **PRESTON AND NORTHCOTE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL** Petition presented by the Member for Preston (25 May 1999) Praying that the Government makes no decision on the Preston and Northcote Community Hospital site without consultation and agreement of the community To be considered (*Mr Leighton*).
- 72. PLANNING SYSTEM/GOOD DESIGN GUIDE Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (26 May 1999) Praying that the Government thoroughly reviews the current planning system and the Good Design Guide as it cannot be fixed by the current cosmetic changes To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 73. **INCREASE OF POLICE NUMBERS** Petition presented by the Member for Ivanhoe (26 May 1999) Praying that the Government honours its 1996 election campaign promise to increase the number of police in Victoria to 11,000 as reductions in police numbers have placed at risk community security and safety To be considered (Mr Langdon).
- 74. **PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEM** Resumption of debate on the question That this House condemns the Government for initiating policies for the fragmentation and privatisation of Melbourne's public transport system and its bungling of the introduction of the OneLink automatic ticketing system (Mr Rowe).
- 75. **WAVERLEY PARK** Petition presented by the Member for Dandenong (27 May 1999) Praying that the House (a) do all in its powers to ensure the long-term viability of Waverley Park as an AFL venue; (b) work with the AFL to improve car and bus access to the Park; and (c) assist in upgrading amenities at the ground To be considered (Mr Pandazopoulos).

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE DAYS

THURSDAY, 10 JUNE 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. **JURIES BILL** – Second reading – Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).

FRIDAY, 11 JUNE 1999

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- CONSTITUTION (REQUESTS) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Hulls).
- 2. **DATA PROTECTION BILL** Second reading Resumption of debate (Mr Carli).

- 3. WATER INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Ms Garbutt).
- 4. CHINESE MEDICINE REGISTRATION BILL Second reading Resumption of debate (Mrs Campbell).

R. W. PURDEY Clerk of the Legislative Assembly S. J. PLOWMAN Speaker

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN

- CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES Mr McGrath (Warrnambool).
- **TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN** Mr Andrianopoulos, Mr Cole, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr McArthur, Mr Maughan, Mr Perrin, Mr Perton, Mrs Peulich, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Richardson and Mr Seitz.

COMMITTEES

- DRUGS AND CRIME PREVENTION (JOINT) Mr Haermeyer, Mr Kilgour, Mr Lupton, Mr Micallef, Mr Rowe and Mrs Wilson.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mr Batchelor, Mr Jenkins, Mr Leighton, Mr Lim, Mrs McGill and Mr Treasure.
- ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (JOINT) Ms Garbutt, Mrs Maddigan, Mr Pandazopoulos, Mr Perrin, Mrs Shardey and Mr Spry.
- FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (JOINT) Mrs Campbell, Mr Finn, Mr Leigh, Mrs Peulich and Mr Seitz.
- FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS (JOINT) Mr Andrianopoulos, Ms Burke, Mr Dollis, Mr Jasper, Mr John and Ms Kosky.
- **HOUSE (JOINT)** Mr Speaker (*ex- officio*), Mr Jenkins, Mr Leigh, Mr McGrath (*Warrnambool*), Mr Mildenhall and Mrs Wilson.
- LAW REFORM (JOINT) Mr Andrighetto, Mr Cole, Ms Delahunty, Mr Maughan, Mr Paterson, Mr Perton and Mr Robinson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT) Mr Speaker, Mr Carli, Mrs Maddigan, Mrs Peulich and Mr Treasure.
- PRIVILEGES Mr Cameron, Mr Cooper, Mr Hulls, Mr Maclellan (*Pakenham*), Mr Micallef, Mr Perton, Mr Ryan, Mr Smith (*Glen Waverley*) and Mr Thwaites.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES (JOINT) Mr Hulls, Mr Loney, Mr McArthur, Mr Mildenhall and Mr Wells.
- ROAD SAFETY (JOINT) Mr Baker, Mr Cunningham, Mr Dixon, Mr Langdon, and Mr Richardson.
- SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS (JOINT) Mr Cameron, Mr Carli, Ms Gillett, Mr Plowman (*Benambra*), Mr Ryan and Mr Thompson.
- STANDING ORDERS Mr Speaker, Mr Baker, Mr Batchelor, Mr Cunningham, Mr Jasper, Mr Leigh and Mr Richardson.

SESSIONAL ORDERS

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE ON 18 FEBRUARY 1998

DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING

Tuesday – 2.00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday – 10.00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (including motions pursuant to Standing Order No. 26 which is to the necessary extent suspended, but not including a motion of Want of Confidence in the Government) each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and at 2.00 p.m. each Wednesday (after Questions without Notice).

WEDNESDAYS (Other than Grievance Day Wednesdays)

Order of business on those days shall be:-

- 1. General Business Notices of Motion
- 2. General Business Orders of the Day
- 3. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 4. Government Business Notices of Motion
- 5. Government Business Orders of the Day.

QUESTION TIME

2.00 p.m. each day (other than on a Tuesday when a Condolence Motion may take precedence).

Any debate in progress at 2.00 p.m. shall be interrupted.

Any division, or division on a closure motion requiring a question to be brought to a conclusion, shall be concluded.

GRIEVANCES

Wednesdays (dates to be appointed by resolution of House). Time limit for Member to be fifteen minutes and whole debate to conclude at 2.00 p.m. Order of business on those days shall be:-

- Grievances
- 2. Oral Questions (At 2.00 p.m.)
- 3. Government Business
- General Business

ADJOURNMENT OF HOUSE

At 10.00 p.m. each sitting day, provided that:

- (a) any division then in progress shall be completed; and
- (b) any Minister may move "That the Sitting be continued".

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Time available for raising matters to be no more than 30 minutes. Time limit per Member to be three minutes.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

A Government Business Programming Committee may meet to determine the manner in which the House is to deal with Government Business of the week.

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