1 MEETING OF THE HOUSE

The House met at 9.30 am according to adjournment. The President took the Chair and read the prayers.

2 SELECT COMMITTEE INTO MINISTERIAL PROPRIETY IN NEW SOUTH WALES (Formal Business)

Mr Foley moved, according to notice:

- 1. That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report on ministerial propriety in New South Wales, including but not limited to:
 - (a) ministerial responsibility to Parliament, including the doctrine of individual ministerial responsibility,
 - (b) measures to reduce potential conflicts of interest between a minister's public duties, private interests and membership of a political party, particularly in relation to financial and commercial activities,
 - (c) the operation and enforcement of the Lobbying of Government Officials Act 2011, and any associated codes of conduct, registers or administrative arrangements,
 - (d) the interaction and appropriate relationship between the Code of Conduct for Members of Parliament, the Lobbyist Code of Conduct, and the current Code of Conduct for Ministers of the Crown,
 - (e) whether the current Code of Conduct for Ministers of the Crown should be adopted as an applicable code for the purposes of section 9(1)(d) of the Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 1988, and
 - (f) any other relevant matters.
- 2. That notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing orders, the Committee consist of six members comprising:
 - (a) two Government members,
 - (b) two Opposition members, being Mr Luke Foley and Mr Adam Searle, and
 - (c) two crossbench members, being Mr Robert Borsak and Dr John Kaye.
- 3. That the Chair of the Committee be Mr Robert Borsak and the Deputy Chair Mr Luke Foley.
- 4. That at any meeting of the Committee, any three members of the Committee will constitute a quorum.
- 5. That a Committee member who is unable to attend a deliberative meeting in person may participate by electronic communication and may move any motion and be counted for the purpose of any quorum or division, provided that:
 - (a) the Chair is present in the meeting room,
 - (b) all members are able to speak and hear each other at all times, and

- (c) a member may not participate by electronic communication in a meeting to consider a draft report.
- 6. That the Committee report by the last sitting day in October 2014.

Question put and passed.

3 97TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION SERVICE FOR THE BATTLE OF FROMELLES (Formal Business)

Mr Lynn moved, according to notice: That this House acknowledges that:

- (a) on Friday 19 July 2013, the 97th Anniversary Commemoration Service for the Battle of Fromelles was held at Anzac Memorial,
- (b) the Battle of Fromelles was fought on 19 July 1916,
- (c) it was planned as a diversionary attack to prevent German troops moving from this, a relatively quiet area, to the large battle being fought in the valley of the Somme,
- (d) Fromelles was a disaster,
- (e) the attack by brave men from the largely untried 5th Australian Division was utterly destroyed by determined Bavarian troops who were well dug in and with large numbers of machine guns,
- (f) it remains the single bloodiest 24 hours in Australian history,
- (g) by the morning of 20 July 1916, Australia had suffered an incredible 5522 killed, wounded, missing or taken prisoner, and
- (h) the setting and service was most appropriate to ensure they are not forgotten. Lest We Forget.

Question put and passed.

4 MR STEPHEN BERGMAN (Formal Business)

Ms Ficarra moved, according to notice:

- 1. That this House notes that:
 - (a) Mr Stephen Bergman, at age 80 years, a long-time resident of Sydney's Sutherland Shire, has been acknowledged by footballs' world governing body, FIFA, as the oldest active Agrade football player currently playing with the Sans Souci Football Club in the Sutherland Shire Football Association's district competition, and
 - (b) over many years, Mr Bergman has made a significant selfless contribution to the Illawarra community through his years of volunteer service in coaching and refereeing football.
- 2. That this House commends and congratulates Mr Stephen Bergman for his achievement of being the World's oldest active A Grade football player and for his outstanding service to football in the Sutherland Shire.

Question put and passed.