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# **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**Main Committee**

**APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 2009-2010**

**Consideration in Detail**

**SPEECH**

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**Speaker** Smith, Anthony, MP

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**Mr ANTHONY SMITH** (Casey) (10.20 am)—Given the Treasurer could not mention the budget deficit figure in his speech and given the Prime Minister could not bring himself for nearly a week to mention the \$300 billion of debt, could the Minister for Finance and Deregulation state here in this consideration in detail stage what the cumulative interest costs on the debt will be, from his own budget papers?